Early Warning System

IFC-46662 SLGP RSF BBGCI

# **Quick Facts**

Countries	Ivory Coast, Senegal
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	В
Voting Date	2023-05-30
Borrower	Bridge Bank Group Ivory Coast
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Guarantee
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 10.06 million



## **Project Description**

According to the IFC, the project consists of a risk sharing facility covering a maximum portfolio of credit facilities of up to XOF60 billion (approximately US\$99.7 million equivalent), where IFC's maximum exposure is up to 50% of the maximum portfolio, to be committed in two equal tranches. The purpose of the proposed RSF is to support the Bank's portfolio with respect to finance for very small, small and medium enterprises (VSEs and SMEs), including women-owned VSEs and SMEs in Côte d'Ivoire and Senegal and is proposed to be processed under IFC's Small Loan Guarantee Program, which is supported by the IDA18 IFC-MIGA Private Sector Window's Blended Finance Facility.



### Early Warning System Project Analysis

The IFC categorized the project as FI-2.

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### **Financial Intermediary**

Financial Intermediary: A commercial bank or financial institution that receives funds from a development bank. A financial intermediary then lends these funds to their clients (private actors) in the form of loans, bonds, guarantees and equity shares. Financial intermediaries include insurance, pension and equity funds. The direct financial relationship is between the development bank and the financial intermediary.

• Bridge Bank Group Ivory Coast (Financial Intermediary)



# **Private Actors Description**

From the IFC's website:

BBGCI was established in 2004 with operations starting in 2006. It initially focused on the Corporate and SME segments, then expanded in 2011 to the Retail, Professionals and VSE segments. The Bank's shareholders include Bridge Group West Africa (77.2%), a financial holding company, Caisse Nationale de Prévoyance Sociale (20%), the social security trust of Côte d'Ivoire and the Senegalese businessman Mr. Oumar Sow (2.8%).

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