Early Warning System

IFC-47216 Sucden CdI

Quick Facts

Countries	Ivory Coast
Specific Location	Abidjan, San Pedro, and others
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	A
Voting Date	2023-09-15
Borrower	SUCDEN S.A. (Sucres et Denrees SA), SUCDEN Cote d'Ivoire
Sectors	Agriculture and Forestry, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 109.58 million

Project Description

The proposed investment is an up to €100m syndicated term loan on a Unsecured Covenant Light basis (1-year maturity, renewable/re-committed annually, for up to 4 years in aggregate) by IFC to SUCDEN Cote d'Ivoire (SUCDEN-CI) and its parent company SUCDEN S.A. (the Group) to finance the procurement and export of cocoa beans from Cote d'Ivoire. Overall, the Group sources around 150,000 tons per annum of cocoa beans from CI of which a min 60,000 tpa is through SUCDEN-CI and is sustainable (traceable and the majority is subjected to 3rd party certification and/or similar E&S requirements from SUCDEN-CI's customers); the remainder is sourced through other exporters. IFC financing will support SUCDEN-CI and Sucden SA, hence it will be financing all sustainable cocoa beans sourced by them.

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Private Actors Description

As stated by Bloomberg, Sucres et Denrees (SUCDEN SA) distributes food products. The Company offers sugar, cocoa, coffee, and ethanol, as well as processing, logistics, distribution, merchandising, financing, research, and risk management services. Sucres et Denrees serves customers worldwide.

Sucden is an Ivory Coast licensed cocoa exporter.



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Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	Sucres et Denrees SA	Client	Agriculture and Forestry

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Bank Documents

• Environmental and Social Review Summary

Other Related Projects

- IFC-50076 Sucden II
- FMO-63969 Sucres et Denrees S.A