

 Early Warning System

IFC-47911

ETI Investement II



## Quick Facts

<b>Countries</b>	Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Ghana, Ivory Coast, Malawi, Mali, Senegal, Togo
<b>Financial Institutions</b>	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
<b>Status</b>	Proposed
<b>Bank Risk Rating</b>	B
<b>Voting Date</b>	2024-04-15
<b>Borrower</b>	Ecobank Transatlantic Incorporated
<b>Sectors</b>	Agriculture and Forestry, Communications, Construction, Education and Health, Energy, Finance, Industry and Trade
<b>Investment Type(s)</b>	Guarantee, Loan
<b>Investment Amount (USD)</b>	\$ 345.00 million
<b>Loan Amount (USD)</b>	\$ 345.00 million
<b>Project Cost (USD)</b>	\$ 345.00 million



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## Project Description

As stated by the IFC, the proposed project is a multi-currency financing facility in the aggregate amount of up to US\$345 million to eight affiliates of Ecobank Transatlantic Incorporated, consisting of multi-country risk sharing facilities (RSF) and loan facilities to scale-up lending to small and medium enterprises (SMEs), including women-owned SMEs (WSMEs).

Countries considered – namely Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Côte d’Ivoire, Ghana, Senegal, Togo, Malawi, and Mali – are subjected to considerable SME and WSME finance gaps and challenging macroeconomic conditions characterized by high interest rates and tightening liquidity. The proposed project is expected to be processed under existing IFC programs, including the Small Loan Guarantee Program as well as trade facilities under the Global Trade Finance Program under the Africa Trade Recovery Initiative umbrella.

The SME portfolios include exposure to sectors such as wholesale & retail trade, manufacturing, construction, services, agriculture, petrol distribution, telecom, non-banking financial institutions, and education.



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### Early Warning System Project Analysis

As stated on the project disclosure page, the Project entails limited adverse E&S risks and impacts that are few in number, generally site-specific, largely reversible and readily addressed through mitigation measures. The overall portfolio risk is thus considered medium, therefore the Project has been categorized as FI-2 in accordance with IFC's Sustainability Policy.



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## Investment Description

- International Finance Corporation (IFC)

## 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.

- [Ecobank Transnational Incorporated](#) (Financial Intermediary)
- [Ecobank Malawi Ltd](#) (Subsidiary) **is owned by** [Ecobank Transnational Incorporated](#) (Financial Intermediary)
- [Nedbank Limited](#) **invests in** [Ecobank Transnational Incorporated](#) (Financial Intermediary)
- [Qatar National Bank Qpsc](#) **invests in** [Ecobank Transnational Incorporated](#) (Financial Intermediary)



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### Private Actors Description

As stated by the IFC, the eight ETI participating affiliates are majority-owned by ETI Group which is a leading regional financial services group operating in sub-Saharan Africa. ETI's main shareholders are Nedbank Group Limited (21.2%), Qatar National Bank (20.1%), Arise BV (14.1%), and Public Investment Corporation (SOC) Limited (13.5%).



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