Early Warning System

IFC-48028 Ulker Fin.



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Quick Facts

| Countries | Turkiye |
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| Financial Institutions | International Finance Corporation (IFC) |
| Status | Approved |
| Bank Risk Rating | В |
| Voting Date | 2024-03-29 |
| Borrower | Ülker Biskuvi Sanayi A.S. |
| Sectors | Agriculture and Forestry, Industry and Trade |
| Investment Type(s) | Loan |
| Investment Amount (USD) | \$ 81.00 million |

Project Description

According to the Bank's website, IFC is considering providing an A-Loan of up to EUR75 million to Ülker Biskuvi Sanayi A.S..

The IFC Loan will support Ülker's multi-year corporate investment program which includes: (a) structural improvements for its factories in Türkiye to make them earthquake resilient; (b) sustainability targeted investments; and (c) maintenance capex for Hamle Company Ltd. LLP, Ülker's subsidiary in Kazakhstan.

Early Warning System Project Analysis

This is a Category B project according to IFC's 2012 Policy on Environmental and Social Sustainability due to limited and site-specific E&S risks and impacts associated with reinforcement, maintenance, and resource efficiency investments within existing factories.

Investment Description

• International Finance Corporation (IFC)

The proposed IFC investment consists of an unsecured senior A-loan of up to EUR75 million to Ülker for IFC's own account.

Private Actors Description

Established in 1944, Ülker is the market leader, producer and exporter of snacks and other food products in Türkiye with an overall market share of 35% and is also one of the largest in the Middle East and Central Asia. The Company has been listed on Borsa Istanbul ("BIST") since 1996. Shares of Ülker are represented as follows: 47.2% of its issued capital is owned by pladis (100.0% of which is owned by Yildiz Uluslararasi Gida Yatirimlari A.S.), 6.7% of its issued capital is owned directly by Yildiz Holding A.S., 6.4% by the Ülker Family members, whereas 39.7% are free float shares under BIST.

As stated by DevelopmentAid, Hamle Company Ltd. is a limited liability partnership organised and existing under the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan, involved in confectionary production and 100% owned by Yildiz Holding.

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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 |
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| Ulker Biskuvi Sanayi AS | Client | Industry and Trade | owns | Hamle Company Ltd. LLP (Kazakhstan) | Subsidiary | Industry and Trade |

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Bank Documents

• Environmental & Social Review Summary (ESRS)