Early Warning System

IFC-48929 MFP BOP Supersonicz



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# **Quick Facts**

Countries	Gambia
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	В
Voting Date	2024-08-08
Borrower	Supersonicz Financial Limited
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 1.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 2.00 million

## **Project Description**

According to the Bank's website, the proposed project consists of an up to 3-year unsecured senior loan of up to US\$2 million equivalent in Gambian Dalasi ("GMD") to Supersonicz Financial Limited ("Supersonicz" of the "MFI") to help increase its lending capacity to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises ("MSMEs") including women-owned/led enterprises, informal enterprises, and low-income households in The Gambia. The financing package will comprise of up to US\$1 million equivalent in GMD from IFC's own account and mobilization from other lenders of up to US\$1 million equivalent in GMD (the "Project"). The Project will be processed under IFC's MSME Finance Platform (the "Platform").

The proposed investment is expected to be accompanied with advisory services.

## **Early Warning System Project Analysis**

The project has been categorized as FI-2 (medium risk). The proposed investment entails a senior loan under the MSME Finance platform targeting MSMEs (including women-owned/led enterprises), informal enterprises, and low-income households in Gambia. The portfolio supported under the Project is expected to comprise business activities with limited adverse environmental and social risks or impacts that are few, generally site-specific, largely reversible, and readily addressable through mitigation measures. These risks are typically associated with occupational health and safety issues, pollution prevention, waste and wastewater management, labor and working conditions issues, biodiversity, and community impacts, among others.

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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.

• Supersonicz Financial Limited (Financial Intermediary)

# **Private Actors Description**

Supersonicz is a limited liability company incorporated and domiciled in The Gambia, with 15 branches across the country. The MFI is owned by Mr. Njundu Fatty, Mr. Almamo Fatty, Mr. Katim Touray, Lasting Solutions, and Kairawan FX Bureau.

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