

 Early Warning System

IFC-49066

SMEV Inside II



Quick Facts

Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2024-05-10
Borrower	Inside Capital Partners Ltd
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Fund, Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 10.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 100.00 million



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, Inside Equity Fund II ("IEF II" or the "Fund"), a Mauritius limited partnership, is targeting US\$100 million to construct a portfolio of investments diversified across Eastern and Southern Africa, which collectively capture the underserved small and medium-sized enterprises ("SMEs") in those regions. IEF II's investment objective is to provide capital to SMEs mainly through equity instruments. The Fund will be supported by the Blended Finance Facility ("BFF") of the IDA19 IFC-MIGA Private Sector Window ("IDA-PSW"), created by the World Bank Group to catalyze private sector investment in IDA-PSW eligible countries ("IDA Countries").



Early Warning System Project Analysis

This project is classified as FI-2 in accordance with IFC's Policy on Environmental and Social Sustainability, based on the Fund's pipeline and business strategy. The Fund is a closed-end generalist fund targeting Eastern & Southern Africa. It will focus on sectors such manufacturing, agrobusiness, healthcare, and financial services with potential additional exposure to renewable energy, waste management, consumer goods, and leisure & tourism. The activities in these sectors typically have limited adverse environmental and social risks and impacts that are few in number, site specific, largely reversible and can be readily addressed through mitigation measures.

The main E&S risks and impacts of the Project derive from the E&S risks associated with the Fund's investment activities and its E&S capacity and systems in place to manage these risks. These risks typically include labor and working conditions, occupational health and safety, waste management, and community impacts, among others.



Investment Description

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The Fund has a total committed capital target size of US\$100 million, and IFC is proposing an equity investment of up to US\$10 million not to exceed 20% of total committed capital.



Private Actors Description

The Fund will be managed by Inside Capital Partners Ltd, a Mauritian limited company (“General Partner”, “GP”, or “Fund Manager”) holding a global business license and a collective investment scheme manager license issued by the financial service commission of Mauritius. The key representatives of the Fund Manager are Jerome Lagesse (Managing Partner), Basil Nundwe (Partner) and Rushil Patel (Partner).



Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	Inside Capital Partners Ltd.	Parent Company	-



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