

 Early Warning System

IFC-49087

Mersin Water and Sewerage Administration (MESKI)



Quick Facts

Countries	Turkiye
Specific Location	Mersin, Yesilovacik, Atakent, Atayurt, Yenice, Silifke, Tarsus, Karaduvar, Cesmeli,Kizkalesi,Bozyazi
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2024-11-21
Borrower	Mersin Water and Sewerage Administration (MESKI)
Sectors	Energy, Infrastructure, Water and Sanitation
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 55.23 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 55.23 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 110.47 million



Project Description

As stated by the IFC, the proposed investment is an IFC A loan of up to EUR 45 million equivalent in Turkish Lira (TRY) and a senior loan as implementing entity of Clean Technology Fund (CTF) of up to EUR 5 million with a 15-year tenor to Mersin Water & Sewage Administration ("MESKI" or the "Company"), backstopped by a guarantee from Metropolitan Municipality of Mersin (MMM or the City).

The proceeds of the Loan will be used to finance (i) the expansion and technology upgrade of four existing wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs), (ii) the construction of two greenfield WWTPs, and (iii) the installation of four deep-sea discharge pipelines (collectively, the Project). MESKI will finance associated facilities (AFs) such as required sewage networks. The project's total cost is estimated at US\$80mn, which will be funded 50/50 by IFC and EBRD.

MESKI, with these investments, aims to ensure sustained access and quality of services to its rapidly growing customers and support the city's long-term wastewater infrastructure resilience with the environmental benefits of preventing marine pollution.

The ten individual subprojects under the project are:

- (i) expansion of Silifke Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) from 21,000 to 39175 m³/day,
- (ii) expansion of Tarsus WWTP from 61,272 to 111,296 m³/day,
- (iii) expansion of Karaduvar WWTP from 189,523 to 227,000 m³/day,
- (iv) construction of new Yenice (in Tarsus) WWTP and ca 850 m long overhead transmission line (OHTL) to connect the WWTP to the national electricity grid,
- (v) construction of Yesilovacik WWTP (in Silifke),
- (vi) expansion of Atakent-Atayurt Common WWTP from 5,800 to 21,287 m³/day,
- (vii) and construction of Atakent-Atayurt deep-sea pipeline (land pipeline- 652 m, sea pipeline 1,464 m),
- (viii) construction of Cesmeli deep sea pipeline (land - 527,5 m, sea- 1,630 m),
- (ix) construction of Kizkalesi deep sea pipeline (land- 917 m, sea- 691 m),
- (x) construction of Bozyazi deep sea pipeline (land- 581 m, sea-2 00 m).

Sewage pipelines of 12 km and 160 km located in Yesilovacik and Atakent/Atayurt, which are associated facilities (AFs) as per IFC Performance Standard (PS), will carry wastewater to Yesilovacik and Atakent/Atayurt common WWTPs respectively. While design work was completed, the tender process for the subprojects has not yet been started. MESKI is responsible for the overall operations of the subprojects and AFs. The two greenfield WWTPs (Yenice and Yesilovacik) will be located on 1 ha and 3.6 ha, which will start construction in the third quarter of 2024. These WWTPs will prevent wastewater collected in cesspits from being transported to them by the company's suction trucks.

The Project will add 30% (46 million cubic meters per annum) to the existing WWTP capacity in the City. The ten subprojects are located across five semi-rural and touristic districts of Mersin city including Tarsus, Erdemli, Silifke, Akdeniz, and Bozyazi.



Investment Description

- International Finance Corporation (IFC)



Private Actors Description

As stated by the IFC, established in 1995, MESKI is the public water utility of the Mersin city, providing water and wastewater services to ~1 million subscribers. MESKI is 100% owned by the Metropolitan Municipality of Mersin. The City is the eleventh largest of the country's metropolitan areas, serving a population of nearly 1.9 million inhabitants.

MESKI has a good credit profile and a self-sustaining business model, operated by an experienced administration that has been able to maintain a prudent financial management and adequate liquidity. The Board of Directors of MESKI is composed of Mr. Vahap Secer, the Mayor of MMM and Chairman of the Board; Mr. Irfan Korkmaz, General Manager of MESKI; Mr. Nizamettin Yildirim; Mr. Seyfettin Atar; and Professor Dr. Orhan VeliAlici.



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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Local access for project documentation:

City of Mersin

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Akdeniz, Mersin 33010

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Bank Documents

- [Disclosure Letter - Executed \(September 2024\)](#)
- [Environmental and Social Review Summary \(ESRS\)](#)
- [MESKI WWTP #49087_ESRS ESAP_Final_27Sep24](#)



Other Related Projects

- EBRD-43170 Mersin Wastewater Project
- EBRD-54894 Mersin Wastewater Project II