Early Warning System

MIGA-1664

Koridori Srbije Ltd (Morava Motorway)



Quick Facts

| Countries | Serbia |
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| Financial Institutions | Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) |
| Status | Proposed |
| Bank Risk Rating | A |
| Voting Date | 2023-09-04 |
| Borrower | JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (London Branch) |
| Sectors | Communications, Infrastructure, Transport |
| Investment Type(s) | Guarantee |
| Investment Amount (USD) | \$ 1,095.40 million |



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, this summary covers an application by JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. London Branch of the United States, on behalf of itself and Banco Santander S.A. of Spain, Credit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank of France, ING Bank, a branch of ING-DiBa AG of Germany, and other potential Lenders to be identified, for their non-shareholder loans to the Government of Serbia ("GoS") represented by the Ministry of Finance ("MoF"), for the construction, operation and maintenance of an highway, with telecom infrastructure and flood prevention systems along the West Morava river.

The Project consists of a greenfield 112-kilometer ("km") dual-carriageway tolled motorway, within a 900 meter right of way, located approximately 200 km south of Belgrade, in a low-level flood plain running east/west along the West Morava River Valley. The Project also includes (i) above ground structures such as interchanges, bridges, culverts, and over/under passes; (ii) a telecommunication network (digital corridor) supported by power lines and communication cables to connect the telecom stations within the motorway (at rest areas, parking lots, and near traffic loops) and to manage traffic through various traffic control, surveillance, and tolling systems; and (iii) river regulation works intended to protect the Project and its surrounding areas from flooding.

The motorway spans from Pojate on the A1 (the North-South motorway in central Serbia) through Krusevac and up into Preljina, near Cacak. Due to the heterogenous characteristics and requirements along the route, the Morava Highway will be divided in three sections: Pojate-Kruseva (circa 28km), Krusevac-Adrani (c. 53km) and Adrani-Preljina (c. 31km).

Ownership of the Project sits with the Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure and Corridors of Serbia, a division of said Ministry that oversees the development and construction phases of the Project.

ENVIRONMENTAL CATEGORIZATION

The Project is a Category A under MIGA's Policy on Environmental and Social Sustainability (2013). Click herefor the Project's Environmental and Social Review Summary.

DEVELOPMENT IMPACT

The Project will improve road quality by reducing travel time and ensuring higher safety standards, while contributing to improved telecommunication connectivity in the Morava basin. The Project will also strengthen its climate resilience and that its neighboring areas by including climate allowances in its design (e.g., road drainage and river regulation works). In addition to leading to adoption by the Project of the Performance Standards (PS), MIGA will help the GoS secure cost-effective financing at a time when global markets are plagued by high inflation and interest rates.

Investment Description

• Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA)

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.

• JPMorgan Chase & Co. (Financial Intermediary)



Contact Information

No contact information provided at the time of disclosure.

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