### Early Warning System

WB-P179108
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#### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Uzbekistan
Specific Location	Tashkent, and others
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	В
Voting Date	2023-11-27
Borrower	Government of Uzbekistan
Sectors	Education and Health, Finance, Industry and Trade, Law and Government
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 50.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 50.00 million



#### **Project Description**

As stated by the World Bank, the development objective of Digital Inclusion Project is to support digital inclusion by expanding access to skills and employment opportunities in the digital economy. This project has three components.

- 1) The first component, Digital Inclusion and Enabling Environment, has the following sub-components: (i) Skills Development; and (ii) Modernization of Legal, Regulatory and Institutional Frameworks.
- 2) The second component, Development of country-wide regional infrastructure and incentives for IT-enabled services (ITES), has the following sub-components: (i) ITES Incentives Program; and (ii) ITES Infrastructure Development.
- 3) The third component, Location Attractiveness Promotion, has the following sub-components: (i) ITES Industry Promotion and Location Attractiveness; (ii) ITES Strategy and Institutional Development; and (iii) Project Implementation Unit Support.

#### **Early Warning System Project Analysis**

According to the World Bank, the E&S risk of the project is "Moderate".



#### **Investment Description**

• World Bank (WB)



#### **Private Actors Description**

As stated on the company's website, during the first visit of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev to the Republic of India, which was held from September 30 to October 2, 2018, Uzbek and Indian Parties agreed to expand cooperation in the field of IT. The Uzbek side, together with the information and technology companies of India, expressed interest in creating an Information Technology Park in Uzbekistan on basis of their best practices in software development and accelerating startups. Thus, it can be noted that IT Park was created on the initiative of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan to improve the startup ecosystem and startup projects and their implementation in our country.

On July 24, 2019 the first IT Park in the Republic of Uzbekistan opened its doors in Tashkent. In a given short amount of time, IT Park has already brought its first fruits in the form of 28 new startups, created dozens of projects in the field of information technology, as well as trainings, workshops and meetings to encourage the youth of our country, their interest in this area and develop computer literacy among the population.





Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	IT Park Uzbekistan	Contractor	Industry and Trade

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#### **Bank Documents**

- Appraisal Environmental and Social Review Summary (ESRS) Uzbekistan Digital Inclusion Project P1 [Original Source
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- Concept Environmental and Social Review Summary (ESRS) Uzbekistan Digital Inclusion Project P179 [Original Source]
- Concept Project Information Document (PID) Uzbekistan Digital Inclusion Project P179108 [Original Source]
- Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP) Uzbekistan Digital Inclusion Project P179108 [Original Source]
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- Labor Management Procedures Uzbekistan Digital Inclusion Project (P179108) [Original Source]
- Project Information Document Uzbekistan Digital Inclusion Project P179108 [Original Source]
- Revised Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP) Uzbekistan Digital Inclusion Project (P17910 [Original Source]
- Revised Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) Uzbekistan Digital Inclusion Project (P [Original Source]
- Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) Uzbekistan Digital Inclusion Project P179108 [Original Source]
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