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Quick Facts

Countries	Eswastini
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2025-04-29
Borrower	Government of Eswatini - Ministry of Economic Planning and Development
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade, Infrastructure
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 50.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 50.00 million



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Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the development objectives are to: (i) improve fiscal and public financial management; (ii) enhance private sector competitiveness; and (iii) improve energy security and infrastructure climate resilience.

These reforms are supported by this Development Policy Financing (DPF) series, which is expected to lead to concrete progress over the next few years. The first pillar of this DPF will enable the prudent and transparent management of Southern African Customs Union (SACU) revenues through the operationalization of a stabilization fund, while also minimizing arrears accumulated with the private sector. Public sector performance will be strengthened by new fiscal and financial rules and policies, leading to improvements in transparency and value-for-money in the delivery of critical social and infrastructure services. The second pillar will contribute to private sector development, through the reduction in the number of days to start a business, decreased costs of trading across borders, and improved digital payments. The third pillar is expected to reduce the economic, human, and fiscal costs associated with climate shocks through improved disaster-risk management and more resilient infrastructure.



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Early Warning System Project Analysis

Risk rating not available at the time of disclosure.



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World Bank Lending: US\$ 50.00 million

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Bank Documents

• Concept Program Information Document (PID) (English)