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Quick Facts

Countries	Ukraine
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2026-12-18
Borrower	Government of Ukraine
Sectors	Communications, Infrastructure
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 3.50 million
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Project Cost (USD)	$ 25.00 million

Project Description

According to the World Bank, the Ukraine Digital Acceleration and Resilience Project (U-DARP) is a proposed US$25.0 million operation implemented by the Ministry of Digital Transformation over 2027-2030. The project development objective is to improve the resilience and quality of digital infrastructure in targeted areas and of selected digital public services for citizens, businesses, and public authorities.

- **Component 1, Resilient Digital Infrastructure (US$14.0 million)**, awards competitive viability-gap grants to providers of electronic communications to restore and extend fixed broadband in settlements the market does not serve. Financed networks deliver at least 100 Mbps with an upgrade path to 1 Gbps and maintain service through a 72-hour power outage. Grantees retain ownership, operation, and maintenance, contribute to co-financing, and carry wholesale-access and service obligations; payments follow independently verified milestones. The component also funds a Single Information Point (SIP) platform for infrastructure access and works coordination, and the verification, mapping and policy support that establishes eligibility. Investments in the SIP platform will further enable capital mobilization by providing sector stakeholders with transparent, real-time data and by improving the regulatory framework. Furthermore, the viability gap grants are expected to leverage private capital for 20-30% of total capital investment. The pilot grant mechanism, with its eligibility rules, independent verification, and milestone-based payments, is designed to grow into a facility for broader digital infrastructure reconstruction.
- **Component 2, Secure Digital State (US$8.5 million, of which US$3.5 million is confirmed),** modernizes basic state registers and secure data exchange, improves selected priority digital services, strengthens cyber protection, monitoring, and tested recovery for critical platforms and services, and establishes a governed cloud operating model and data infrastructure resilience. It lays the foundations for a controlled government gateway to artificial intelligence.
- **Component 3 (US$1.5 million) Development of the digital and innovation economy:** Supports the digital innovation ecosystem by strengthening the policy framework for deep-tech companies and enhancing startup commercialization, export readiness, and advanced digital skills. The component aims to unlock private capital by addressing key barriers to investment in digital technology startups. This component introduces a pilot intervention that can be scaled and supports private capital mobilization, supporting companies to raise further capital.
- **Component 4 (US$1.0 million):** Finances project implementation support, including program coordination, procurement and financial management, environmental and social compliance, independent technical verification, monitoring and evaluation, audits, and grievance redress mechanisms.The project is proposed as a Framework Project, with USD 3.5 million confirmed from the Ukraine Relief, Recovery, Reconstruction and Reform Trust Fund (URTF) and a financing gap of USD 21.5 million, to be confirmed once funds become available from other sources.

The MDT has prioritized investments in the Secure Digital State component, with Components 3 and 1 implemented as funding becomes available. Beneficiaries are people and public facilities in covered settlements, users of the improved public services, participating providers, and supported innovation actors.

Early Warning System Project Analysis

As stated by the World Bank, the project overall risk is Substantial, and the environmental and social risk classification is Moderate.

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Bank Documents

- Initial Project Information Document (PID) - Ukraine- Digital Acceleration and Resilience Project -