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## Quick Facts

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| **Countries** | Gabon |
| **Specific Location** | City of Owendo |
| **Financial Institutions** | US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) |
| **Status** | Active |
| **Bank Risk Rating** | B |
| **Borrower** | Gabon Special Economic Zone Mineral Port SA |
| **Sectors** | Mining, Transport |
| **Investment Type(s)** | Loan |
| **Investment Amount (USD)** | $ 5.77 million |
| **Project Cost (USD)** | $ 49.59 million |

## Project Description

According to the Bank’s website, the project consists of the development, construction, operation and maintenance of a mineral and specialized bulk terminal port, GSEZ Mineral Port, in the city of Owendo near Libreville, Gabon. The port will be a viable logistics solution for the export and import of minerals and other products. It is scheduled to be built in two phases under a development agreement signed with the government of Gabon represented by the Ministry of Economy and Ministry of Transport and Logistics in the region of Owendo for a 90-year concession period. GSEZ MP also signed a concession agreement with the Office of Ports and Harbours of Gabon OPRAG for a 30-year period, extendable for 20 years (or more, in accordance with the Master Agreement).

### Investment Description

- US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)

### 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.

- Chubb European Group SE (Financial Intermediary)
- Meridiam SAS (Financial Intermediary)

| 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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| - | - | - | - | Gabon Special Economic Zone Mineral Port SA | Client | - |

## Contact Information

No contact information provided at the time of disclosure.

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## Bank Documents

- Project Disclosure [Original Source]