

 Early Warning System

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**Rwanda - Scaling Up Electricity Access Program Phase II (SEAP II) -
Additional Financing**



Quick Facts

Countries	Rwanda
Financial Institutions	African Development Bank (AFDB)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2019-05-23
Borrower	Government of Rwanda
Sectors	Hydropower
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 11.80 million



Project Description

The proposed project is an additional amount of UA 16.4 Million (USD 22.97Million) under the Scaling Up Electricity Access (SEAP II) Phase II Program which aims to support the Government of Rwanda (GoR) to meet its ambitious energy targets of universal electricity access to Kigali city by 2019 and nationwide by 2024. This additional financing represents a critical step towards meeting GoR's efforts to speed up the delivery of the Energy Sector Strategic Plan (ESSP - 2018-2024). It will scale up activities under Results Area 2 (Increase on-grid access for household and productive-use SME) for the additional amount of UA 16.4 Million (USD 22.97Million) to be focused mainly on rural areas. The activities to be scaled up include increasing on-grid access by constructing additional 19.7 km of Medium Voltage (MV) and Low Voltage (LV) distribution lines, installation of distribution transformers, and prepaid meters to enable connection of 200 SMEs and 28,924 households to the grid. The number of customers connected to the network would measure the degree of additional access achieved by the program.

The purpose of SEAP II is to support the Government of Rwanda's (GoR) efforts to improve the reliability of power supply and increase on and off grid access to electricity. In this regard, SEAP II has four (4) Results Areas, namely: (i) Improve reliability of electricity supply; (ii) Increase on-grid electricity access for household and productive-use for Small Medium Enterprises (SME); (iii) Increase off-grid access to renewable energy; and (iv) Institutional strengthening and capacity building.

The Additional Financing (AF) expects to add 28,954 new household and 200 SME's, bringing the cumulative total connection of new customers to 347,120 and 2312 respectively by the end of the program. By the end of the program, at roughly 70% of new customer will be in the rural areas. Deepening lighting coverage in rural areas is expected to yield significant benefits for households who have to do away with torches, wick and hurricane lamps. It will increase children's study time at home and increase micro and macro level enterprises such as commerce, milling, welding or sewing.



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Bank Documents

- [Rwanda - Additional Financing - Scaling up electricity access program - phase II - Appraisal Report](#) [Original Source]
- [Rwanda - Financement Supplémentaire - Programme d'expansion de l'accès à l'électricité - Phase II -](#) [Original Source]
- [rwanda - power sector - seap - spn - ifb - procurement of prepayment meters](#) [Original Source]
- [Rwanda - Scaling Energy Access Programme II - SESA Summary](#) [Original Source]
- [SESA Report RWANDA - Scaling Up Energy Access II](#) [Original Source]