

 Early Warning System

IFC-40902

Prothem



Quick Facts

Countries	Burundi
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2018-05-15
Borrower	PROTHEM USINE S.A.
Sectors	Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 2.00 million



Project Description

IFC is considering to provide an A Loan of up to US\$2.0 million to Prothem Usine S.A. (“Prothem” or the “Company”) to part-finance the capacity expansion program (the “Project”) which includes installation of a new processing line and a boiler at the factory, construction of hanger for tea collection, purchase of motor vehicles, development of own tea estate and investment associated to obtain Rainforest Alliance Certificate.



Investment Description

- International Finance Corporation (IFC)

Private Actors

- [Prothem Usine S.A.](#) -- Implementing Company

Founded in 2006, Prothem is the first privately-owned tea company in Burundi, operating tea processing factory in Gisozi Commune of Mwaro Province. The factory currently has a capacity to process 6 million kilogram (kg) of green leaf annually supplied by c.11,000 smallholder farmers into made tea for export sales. Prothem is primarily owned by Ms. Aline Kaparaye; DOB Equity - an impact fund from Netherlands; ICCO Foundation - an international nonprofit organization from the Netherlands; Prothem ASBL, a non-profit farmers organization, Other independent farmers and businessmen from Burundi.



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Bank Documents

- [Project Information](#)