

 Early Warning System

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South Africa Mainstream Renewable Wind Power



Quick Facts

Countries	South Africa
Financial Institutions	Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	A
Voting Date	2016-12-22
Borrower	International Lender to be Determined
Sectors	Energy
Investment Type(s)	Guarantee
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 137.00 million



Project Description

According to bank documents, Lekela Power B.V. (Lekela), a partnership between Actis, an existing MIGA client, and Mainstream Renewable Power (Mainstream), a global wind and solar developer and IFC client, is seeking MIGA's cover of its equity and shareholder loan investments in five wind farms projects in South Africa against the risk of transfer restrictions, expropriation, breach of contract and war and civil disturbance, as part of the company's overall risk management policy.

The Projects include the construction and operation of five wind farms in the Northern and Western Cape Provinces in South Africa: the 140 MW Khobab wind farm (Khobab) and the 140 MW Loeriesfontein 2 wind farm (Loeriesfontein 2) projects located in adjacent sites; the 80.5 MW Noupoot wind farm project (Noupoot); the 140MW Kangnas wind farm project (Kangnas); and the 110MW Perdekraal East wind farm project (Perdekraal East). Associated infrastructure includes internal and external electrical connections, substations and transmission lines, access roads; and operations and maintenance (O&M) buildings.

It is important to note that Mainstream plans to develop solar energy facilities within or nearby some of the sites selected for the proposed wind Projects. The Environmental Impact Assessments and other supplemental studies cover E&S risk and impacts associated with these solar facilities where applicable. However, the solar projects are out of the scope of the Projects proposed for MIGA coverage. Therefore, E&S risks and impacts specific to the solar energy facilities are not discussed in this ESRS.

The following is a brief description of each wind farm:

Noupoot - 80 MW operational wind farm located in the outskirts of the town of Noupoot within the Umsobomvu Local Municipality in the greater Pixley ka Seme District Municipality, Northern Cape Province. The total study area of the Noupoot site is made up by three private farms totaling 7,632ha of which the total built footprint is approximately 1,873ha.

Khobab - 140MW wind farm under construction on the remainder of the FarmSous No. 226 near Loeriesfontein, Northern Cape Province.

Loeriesfontein 2 - 140MW wind farm on Portion 1 and 2 of the Farm Aan De Karree Doorn Pan No. 213 near the town of Loeriesfontein, Northern Cape Province. The site is approximately 10,400ha in size of which a smaller area will be required for the establishment of the proposed wind farm. The Khobab and Loeriesfontein sites are adjacent to each other.

Kangnas - Proposed 140 MW wind farm located on farm Kangnas portion 3 of 77, farm Smorgenskaduwee remaining portion of 127 and farm Areb remaining portion of 75 in the Nama Khoi municipality. These farms are located approximately 48 km east of Springbok and are accessed via the N14. Land identified for the location of the development of the project is approximately 22,000ha with the project footprint of approximately 3600ha.

Perdekraal - Proposed 110 MW wind farm located within the jurisdiction of the Winelands District Municipality and Breede River Local Municipality approximately 32 km north of the town of Touwsrivier. The site is made up of two land parcels of total area of 6,347.37ha. The project area is estimated at approximately 3,100ha including the wind turbine generators, roads, and its associated infrastructure. The Perdekraal site to support 48 wind turbines of 3.2MW after a significant reduction in wind turbines to accommodate the sites environmental constraints.



Investment Description

- Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA)



Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	Actis LLP	Parent Company	-
-	-	-	-	Lekela Power B.V.	Client	-
-	-	-	-	Mainstream Renewable Power Africa Holdings Limited	Parent Company	-



Contact Information

Contact information not provided at the time of disclosure

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Bank Documents

- (Kangnas) Environmental Impact Assessment: Proposed Wind and Solar Energy Facilities near Springbok,
- (Khobab) Final Environmental Assessment Report Proposed Construction of a 140MW Wind Farm on the Rem
- (Loeriesfontein 2) Final Environmental Assessment Report Proposed Construction of a 140MW Wind Farm
- Avian Impact Risk Assessment and Mitigation Scheme
- Avifaunal pre-construction monitoring (February 2013)
- Avifaunal pre-construction monitoring Loeriesfontein 2 and Khobab Wind Energy Facilities (January 20
- Avifaunal Walk-Through (February 2016);
- Bat Impact Assessment Amendment Report (June 2016),
- Bat Monitoring Final Report (October 2013);
- Environmental Management Program Perdekraal East Annexures
- Final Environmental Impact Report Proposed Construction of a Wind Farm near Noupoot, Northern Cape
- Kangnas (November 2015),
- Khobab (April 2014),
- Loeriesfontein 2 (April 2014),
- Long Term Bat Monitoring Study for the proposed Noupoot Wind Energy Facility, Northern Cape (May 20
- Noupoot (April 2014),
- Perdekraal East (April 2016
- Pre- Construction Bat Monitoring Assessment (May 2013),
- Pre-Construction Botanical Walkthrough (March 2016)



Other Related Projects

- EBRD-49794 Lekela Wind BOO
- IFC-40137 Lekela EG Wind 1