# THE WORLD BANK MONTHLY OPERATIONAL SUMMARY

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# **Sector Categorizations**

Agriculture, Fishing, and Forestry Education Energy and Mining Finance Health and Other Social Services Industry and Trade Information and Communications Public Administration, Law, and Justice Transportation Water, Sanitation, and Flood Protection

# **LIST OF ACRONYMS**

AUSAID	Australian Agency for International Development	IDB IFAD	Inter-American Development Bank International Fund for Agricultural
ADB	Asian Development Bank		Development
ADF	African Development Fund	IsDB	Islamic Development Bank
AfDB	African Development Bank	JBIC	Japan Bank for International Cooperation
APL	Adaptable Program Loan	ITF	Interim Trust Fund
BADEA	Banque Arabe de Développement	KfW	Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau
	Économique en Afrique		(Germany)
BOAD	Banque Ouest Africaine	LIL	Learning and Innovation Loan
	de Développement	NCB	National Competitive Bidding
CDB	Caribbean Development Bank	NGO	Nongovernmental Organization
CFD	Caisse Française de Développement	NORAD	Norwegian Agency for Development
CIDA	Canadian International Development	NORID	Cooperation
	Agency	OECF	Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund
DANIDA	Danish International Development Agency		(Japan)
DFID	Department for International	OPEC	Organization of Petroleum Exporting
	Development (UK)		Countries
EBRD	European Bank for Reconstruction	PAD	Project Appraisal Document
	and Development	PCD	Project Concept Document
EDF	European Development Fund	PCF	Prototype Carbon Fund
EIB	European Investment Bank		
EU	European Union	PCN	Project Concept Note
FAC	Fonds d'Aide et de Coopération (France)	PHRD	Policy and Human Resources Development (Japan)
FAO	Food and Agricultural Organization	PID	Project Identification (Number)
	of the United Nations	PPF	Project Preparation Facility
FAO/CP	FAO Cooperative Program		
	(with the World Bank)	QCBS	Quality and Cost-Based Selection
FINNIDA	Finland International Development	SDC	Swiss Agency for Development
	Agency		Cooperation
GEF	Global Environment Facility	SIDA	Swedish International Development
GTZ	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische		Authority
	Zusammenarbeit	UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
IAPSO	Inter-Agency Procurement Service Office	UNFPA	United Nations Population Fund
IBRD	International Bank for Reconstruction	UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
	and Development	USAID	United States Agency for International
ICB	International Competitive Bidding		Development
IDA	International Development Association	WHO	World Health Organization

# **GUIDE TO THE WORLD BANK MONTHLY OPERATIONAL SUMMARY**

The World Bank Monthly Operational Summary (MOS) reports on the status of projects in the World Bank's pipeline from the time the operation is identified to the signing of the Loan, Credit, or Grant Agreement. It is a detailed accountings of the projects included in the country lending programs that are actively being prepared for implementation. The lending programs reflect the Bank's strategy for each member country as set out in the Country Partnership Framework (CPF) presented to the Board of Executive Directors of the World Bank. On average, it takes about 13 months for the Bank to process a project from concept to approval. After a financing agreement is signed or a project is dropped from the program, the project entry is deleted from this summary. Each issue of the summary contains a list of projects reported for the first time and the list of projects deleted from the current issue. Program. Familiarity with the Bank's project cycle, summarized in the following paragraphs, can help potential bidders identify business opportunities with Bank borrowers. Each entry in the MOS indicates at what point the operation is in the project cycle.

# **Project Cycle**

During **IDENTIFICATION**, the client government and the Bank identify a specific operation as being likely to support the country's development strategy and the Bank's CPF.

During **PREPARATION**, the client government identifies and discusses the technical and institutional alternatives for achieving the objectives of a project. Preparation usually requires feasibility studies followed by more detailed studies of the alternatives that promise to yield the most satisfactory results. An environmental assessment is usually carried out during this phase. (See below for more information on environmental assessment.) In the preparation stage of the project cycle, clients often supplement their own efforts by hiring consultants to carry out a major part of the work. Contractors and suppliers of equipment and goods need to start making contacts with country officials during this stage.

During **APPRAISAL**, the Bank conducts a comprehensive review of all aspects of the project (technical, institutional, economic, and financial), laying the foundation for implementing the project and evaluating it when completed. Project appraisal is conducted by Bank staff and may be supplemented by individual experts. The preparation of the Project Appraisal Document concludes this stage. During **NEGOTIATIONS**, discussions are held with the client government, and the agreements reached are written into the loan documents. Upon completion of negotiations, the project is presented to the Bank's Board of Executive Directors for approval. After approval, the financing agreement is signed.

Project **IMPLEMENTATION** normally starts within a few months after the project financing agreement is signed. Countries, through their implementing agencies, have full responsibility for executing of World Bank-financed projects, including procuring goods and works and hiring consultants. Contractors and suppliers, therefore, should contact appropriate officials of the implementing agency to express their interest in specific projects and obtain information on what goods and services will be needed and when and how to submit bids and proposals.

Consultants are often used during project implementation to provide technical assistance and other project implementation support. Consultants in particular should contact the responsible implementing agency early in the project preparation period to express their interest.

Contracts for consulting services, as well as some for goods and works, may also be procured prior to loan/credit/grant approval. This is known as advance contracting.

The information contained in (*MOS*) is intended to enable companies to assess their interest in supplying Bank-financed projects. Further information should be requested from the country's project implementing agency. The likelihood of a timely response is greater if the queries are brief and to the point. When possible, travel to the country; direct contact with relevant agency officials is recommended.

Firms should contact the World Bank only if they are unable to obtain a response to their queries from the implementing agency. General information about business opportunities under Bank loans, credits, and grants may be obtained from the World Bank's Procurement Policy and Services Group's website at http://www.worldbank.org/proguma\_(olick\_on\_"Bid

http://www.worldbank.org/procure (click on "Bidding/Consulting Opportunities" on the left navigation bar). Business opportunities under World Bank-financed appear twice a month in *UN Development Business* and are available via the internet at <www.devbusiness.com>. The website also includes invitations to bid and submit proposals, notices of contract awards, and General Procurement Notices.

# **Environmental Categories**

The type, timing, and scope of environmental analysis to be performed by Bank clients are confirmed when a given project is identified. Projects are assigned one of the following categories, depending on the nature, magnitude, and sensitivity of environmental issues:

**Category A:** The project may have adverse and significant environmental impacts. Full environmental assessment is normally required.

**Category B:** The project may have specific environmental issues. Partial environmental assessment is normally required.

**Category C:** Likely to have minimal or no adverse environmental impacts. Beyond screening, no further EA action is required.

**Category FI:** Involves investment of Bank funds through a financial intermediary, in subprojects that have adverse environmental impacts. An environmental framework may be required.

Category U: No category given.

The World Bank has three basic lending instruments: (ii) Investment Project Finance which provides financial support for goods, works and services for a pre-defined specific project; (ii) Development Policy Finance (DPF) which supports countries' policy and institutional reforms in a sector or the economy as a whole and provides quick-disbursing budget support; and (iii) Program-for-Results (PforR) which finances a small part of a large government program, with disbursements linked to results or performance indicators. DPF and PforR operations are not included in the (*MOS*) because these instruments are not designed to provide procurement opportunities since the funds are disbursed directly to government accounts.

A typical summary entry looks like this:

#### ■ - Morocco 2 - Energy and mining 1. Name of client country (R) MA-Clean and Efficient Energy: The project 2. Sector development objective is to support the Borrower to increase supply of clean energy and to meet demand 3. (R) = revised; (N) = new entry more efficiently among targeted customers. Concept 4. Project description completed on 12 November 2013. Environmental ]-6 5. Italics indicate change from last month's listing Assessment Category B. Project: P143689. ]-US\$125.0/24.0 (IBRD/CCTF). Consultants will be 6. PID=project identification number required. Office National de l'Electricite et de l'Eau 7. Amount of financing in US\$millions (source) Potable (ONEE) Tel: 212522668005, E-mail: 8. Name/address of implementing agency fait@onee.ma, Contact: Mohamed Fait, Director.

MOS: A Typical Record

# The Global Environment Facility (GEF)

In addition to projects financed by the World Bank, the *World Bank Monthly Operational Summary* reports on projects financed by the Global Environment Facility (GEF).

The GEF was established in 1991 by a Resolution of the World Bank Executive Directors as a pilot program to assist in the protection of the global environment and to promote environmentally sound and sustainable economic development. The GEF operates as a mechanism for providing new and additional grant and concessional funding to meet the agreed incremental costs of measures to achieve agreed global environmental benefits in the focal areas of climate change, biodiversity, international waters, land degradation chemicals, sustainable forest management (SFM)/REDD+, and under the Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF) and the Special Climate Change Fund—adaptation to climate change. The GEF consists of an Assembly of 183 participating countries, a Council, a Secretariat a Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel, and 14 Implementing Agencies – ADB, AfDB, CI, DBSA, EBRD, FAO, IADB, IFAD, IUCN, UNDP, UNIDO, World Bank, and WWF. As one of the Implementing Agencies of the GEF, the World Bank assists its member countries conserve and sustainably use their biological diversity, reduce their emissions of greenhouse gases and adapt to climate change, manage shared water bodies and reduce their emissions of ozone-depleting substances by accessing GEF resources to cover the incremental costs of additional actions on these global issues.

To be eligible for GEF co-financing, projects must be consistent with at least one of the GEF's 'Operational Programs' and meet the GEF project eligibility criteria. For additional information on the GEF, contact the GEF secretariat or visit its website: www.thegef.org/gef The GEF Secretariat 1818 H St. NW Washington DC 20433, USA Tel: (1-202) 473-0508 Fax: (1-202) 522-3240, 522-3245 E-mail: Secretariat@TheGEF.org

# New Projects Added In This Issue

# Africa Region

# Africa

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Third South West Indian Ocean Fisheries Governance and Shared Growth Project (SWIOFish3

#### Cameroon

Energy and mining: Hydropower Dev. on the Sanaga River Proj

# Chad

Health and other social services: Chad Safety Nets Project

# Congo, Democratic Republic of

Education: Education Quality Improvement Project (EQUIP)

#### Madagascar

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: GEF Sustainable Agriculture Landscape Project

#### Malawi

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Public Services Reform Program

# Mali

Health and other social services: Safety Nets Project (Jigisemejiri) Additional Financing

Water, sanitation and flood protection: Bamako Water Supply Project - Additional Financing

# Mozambique

Energy and mining: Mozambique Energy Service and Sustainability Improvement Project

Transportation: Integrated Feeder Road Development Project

# Nigeria

Transportation: Multi-Sectoral Crisis Recovery Project for North Eastern Nigeria

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Nigeria Youth Employment and Social Support AF

Health and other social services: Community and Social Development AF-2

Education: NIGERIA - Additional Financing - State Program Investment Project

## Rwanda

Transportation: Rwanda Feeder Roads Development Project - Additional Finance

#### Togo

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Economic Governance Technical Assistance

# East Asia And Pacific Region

# China

Transportation: Shaanxi Xi'an City Intelligent Public Transport Project

### Indonesia

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Indonesia Urgent Rehabilitation of Irrigation Project

# Philippines

Health and other social services: Multi Donor Facility - PH Mindanao Reconstruction & Development

#### Vietnam

Water, sanitation and flood protection: Vietnam Urban Water Supply and Wastewater Project - Additional Financing

# Europe And Central Asia Region

## Bulgaria

Transportation: Bulgaria Corridor Upgrade Project

#### Georgia

Transportation: Second Regional Development Project Additional Financing

### **Kyrgyz Republic**

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Capacity Building in Public Financial Management 2

#### Moldova

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Moldova Agriculture Competitiveness Project 2nd Additional Financing

#### Montenegro

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Subnational Finance Sustainability Project

## Tajikistan

Water, sanitation and flood protection: Strengthening Critical Infrastructure against Natural Hazards

#### Turkey

Transportation: Turkey Railways Sector Project

# Latin America And Caribbean Region

# Brazil

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Amazon Sustainable Landscapes Project

Finance: Private Bond Investor Infrastructure Finance Project

#### Colombia

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Consolidating Forest Conservation and Sustainability in the Amazon

#### Haiti

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Haiti PFM Transparency and StatCap Project

#### **OECS** Countries

Finance: OECS SME Guarantee Facility

## Panama

Water, sanitation and flood protection: Support for the National Indigenous Peoples Development Plan

# St. Vincent and the Grenadines

Transportation: St. Vincent and the Grenadines RDVRP AF

# Middle East And North Africa Region

#### Egypt, Arab Republic of

Education: Egypt Education Quality Improvement Project

# West Bank and Gaza

Energy and mining: Additional Financing for the West Ban and Gaza Electric Utility Management Project

# South Asia Region

# Afghanistan

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: National Horticulture and Livestock Project (NHLP) - Additional Financing

Energy and mining: Mazar-e-Sharif Gas-to-Power Project

#### India

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Meghalaya Community-led Ecosystem Management Project

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Madhya Pradesh Public Financial Management Strengthening Project

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: India Cities Program

Water, sanitation and flood protection: Programme for Groundwater Development and Management

Water, sanitation and flood protection: Assam Flood, Erosion and River Management Modernization Project

# Maldives

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Sustainable Fisheries Resources Development Projec

# Pakistan

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Governance and Policy Program for Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP)

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Governance and Policy Program for Balochistan

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) Governance and Policy Program

# Projects Deleted from This Issue

# Africa Region

Africa: WAPP (Phase 3) Adjarala Hydroelectric Project Guinea: Pooled-Fund for Basic Education Guinea-Bissau: Guinea Bissau Agribusiness Project Liberia: Liberia: LACEEP Additional Financing Madagascar: Social Safety Net Project(Cr. 57080-MG) Malawi: Agricultural Commercialization and Rural Growth Project Mali: Safety Nets Project Scale-up (Jigisemejiri) Mozambique: Mozambique Additional Financing to Education Sector Support Project Mozambique: MZ - Emergency Resilient Recovery Project for the Northern and Central (Cr. 57320-MZ) Mozambique: Mozambique Roads & Bridges Mgmt Maintenance Program Phase 3 Nigeria: Nigeria Partnership for Education Project Nigeria: Community and Social Development AF Sao Tome and Principe: DROP-STP Competitiveness and Growth Proj Tanzania: AFC2/RI-GLR Tanzania Displaced Persons and Border Communities Project Uganda: Uganda Reproductive Health Voucher Project Zambia: AFC2/RI-GLR Zambia Displaced Persons and Border Communities Project Zambia: Eastern Region Inclusive Growth Project East Asia And Pacific Region Cambodia: Third Additional Financing for Second Health Sector Support Program China: China: Clean Cooking and Heating China: Guizhou Tongren Rural Transport Project( Ln. 85340-CN) China: Hainan Fishing Ports Project Myanmar: Agricultural Development Support Project(Cr. 56240-MM)

Pacific Islands: Pacific Resilience Program(Cr. D0750-4P)

Philippines: Philippines Cross-Sectoral Public Health Enhancement Project

# Europe And Central Asia Region

Azerbaijan: Higher Education Project Belarus: Belarus Education Modernization Project( Ln. 85290-BY) Tajikistan: Targeted Social Assistance Rollout Project (AF) Tajikistan: Climate Adaptation and Mitigation Program - GEF

# Latin America And Caribbean Region

Argentina: Forests and Community( Ln. 84930-AR) Brazil: BR Espirito Santo Integrated Sustainable Water Management Project( Ln. 83530-BR) Colombia: Improved Fiscal Management Systems Project Ecuador: Ecuador - Sustainable Family Farming Modernization Project( Ln. 85150-EC) Haiti: HT Strengthening Hydro-Met Services

# Middle East And North Africa Region

Egypt, Arab Republic of: Strengthening Social Safety Net Project( Ln. 84960-EG) Tunisia: TN-Road Transport Corridors( Ln. 85190-TN)

# South Asia Region

India: Partial Risk Sharing Facility in Energy Efficiency Pakistan: PK-Sindh Barrages Improvement Project(Cr. 56840-PK) Sri Lanka: Early Childhood Development Project(Cr. 56780-LK) Sri Lanka: LK Water Supply and Sanitation Improvement Project(Cr. 56850-LK)

# Africa

# Angola

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Smallholder Agriculture Development and Commercialization Project:** The Project Development Objective is to increase smallholder agricultural production and marketing in the project areas. Concept completed on 29 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154447. US\$70.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Angola Agriculture and Agribusiness Development Program:** The project development objective is to increase farmer incomes, agricultural productivity, and value addition.

### Background:

While Angola has achieved middle income status, its Human Development Index is extremely low and 50% of the population lives below the poverty line. With the economy's reliance on oil, a strong Kwanza puts limits on international competitiveness in key sectors, namely manufacturing and agriculture. However, with strategic public investments, agriculture sector development has the potential to contribute to economic diversification, and to the reduction of poverty that persists mainly in rural areas. National and sector policies and programs have identified agriculture as a priority sector: The National Development Plan 2013-17 (NDP) has identified agriculture as an engine for food security, poverty and inequality reduction, and calls for increasing the sector's competitiveness. The medium term agriculture sector development plan (PDMPSA) promotes the transformation from subsistence to commercial and market oriented agriculture.

#### Poposed approach:

The first area of support is related to rural infrastructure, service delivery, and private sector participation necessary to unleash the potential of smallholder farmers. Public investments are required to expand rural infrastructure (e.g. irrigation, roads, bridges, storage facilities) for small and large farmers, and support the provision of services to smallholders (e.g. extension, inputs, linkages with the market). In addition, public-private partnerships can be identified to provide commercial opportunities for agribusiness firms and smallholders, creating market opportunities for the smallholder sector, including the development of rural finance mechanisms.

The second area of support relates to capacity building. There is a need to invest to strengthen agricultural statistics to improve the quality and availability of data and information, and create a basis for evidence-based decision making. In addition, human capacity building is required at all levels, for example through the strengthening of agricultural education, both at higher and vocational levels, while the delivery of entrepreneurship development training would contribute to an enhanced management capacity among small and medium size enterprises. Public and private investments are required to accelerate the development and adoption of agricultural technologies, for example seed and fertilizer, through strengthening research and extension capacity.

The third area of support relates to policies. There is a need to invest in an improved policy making process that will create an enabling environment for a more competitive agricultural sector that provides jobs and food security. Support can be aimed at the development of a sector investment plan, with input from the African Union's Comprehensive African Agricultural Development Program (CAADP) and sector stakeholders in Angola. The policy making process can also be supported by strengthening the analytical capacity, as well as the policy dialogue process to ensure that policy and investment decisions are based on empirical evidence, and represent the sector's needs. In the short term, a number of joint studies will be conducted to inform the joint program design. Identification completed on 7 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$250.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Angola Statistics Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 13 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$60.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Angola Fiscal Management Development Policy Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 30 June 2015. US\$ 200.0 (GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Water Sector Institutional Development Project II:** The Project Development Objective is to strengthen the institutional capacity of water sector agencies and increase water service coverage in target cities. Concept completed on 21 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151224. US\$300.0 (IBRD). No consultants are required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Benin

# Industry and trade

**Benin Cross Border Tourism and Competitiveness Project:** The objective of the project is to spur cross-border investments between Benin and Nigeria in dedicated value chains or industries where Benin detain a clear competitive advantage. The ambition would be to allow beninesse companies to serve not only the domestic market but more importantly the Nigerian market. Identification completed on 5 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Public Investment Management and Governance Support Project:** The project development objective is to strengthen public investment management effectiveness and enhance public sector accountability in Benin. Concept completed on 9 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P147014. US\$ 25.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Unite de Gestion des Reformes Tel: 229-21-31-09-00, E-mail: zodajo@yahoo.fr, Contact: Joel Zo-djihoue, Coordonnateur.

**Benin Decentralized Community Driven Services Project - Addl Financing:** To improve access to decentralized basic social services and to mainstream the CDD approach for such services. Approval completed on 27 February 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Secretariat for Decentralized Community Driven Services Tel: (229) 9003-3601, E-mail: sepsdcc@yahoo.fr, Contact: Mr. Germain Ouin Ouro

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**(R) Small Town Water Supply and Urban Septage Management Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on *4 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 60.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Botswana

# Education

**Secondary Education and Skills Development:** To improve equitable access and relevance of senior secondary education. Concept completed on 22 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151047. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Health and other social services

**Botswana Health Systems Support Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 1 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Botswana Social Protection Modernization Project: The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve

the efficiency and effectiveness of selected social protection programs in Botswana. Concept completed on 3 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P151830. US\$30.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Botswana Water Security and Efficiency Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 4 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Burkina Faso

#### Health and other social services

**Reproductive Health Project - Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 15 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 25.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Industry and trade

**Burkina Faso Sahel Growth Pole:** Per the country's poverty reduction strategy, Burkina Faso seeks to maximize social and economic benefits derived from the sector. In September 2012, the Minister of Economy and Finances of Burkina Faso contacted the World Bank to help develop a mining growth pole in the North/Sahel region as a way to improve significantly the quality of life in mining communities. This activity responds to the fundamental problem reflected in the government's inquiry: economic benefits from the mining sector are not sufficiently accruing to North/Sahel mining communities.

This project will develop and enhance local economic activities in Burkina Faso's North/Sahel mining communities. It will be composed of the following four elements:

- 1. Helping potential suppliers so they can increasingly sell to mines,
- 2. Building local industries by enhancing other income-generating activities,
- 3. Improving delivery of basic services in mining communities, and

4. Encouraging construction of regional, shared infrastructure. Identification completed on 17 October 2013. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 113.2 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Information and communications

**Burkina-Faso eGovernment Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 25 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**(R)** Economic Governance and Citizen Engagement Project: The proposed development objective of the project is to enhance domestic revenue mobilization and improve the use of public resources by strengthening accountability mechanisms, revenue collection systems and public expenditure management. *Appraisal completed on 19 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P155121. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Burkina Faso Local Government Support Project 2:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 40.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Transportation

**BF-Transport Sector Reform Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 5 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Infrastructure, urban Development and Mobility Project:** The project development objective aims to contribute to removing infrastructure, connectivity and mobility constraints facing urban and rural communities and businesses in the Bagre Growth Pole zone and its hinterland, as well as increase access to services and promote economic development in selected regional capitals.

To do so, the project will support the implementation of the priority actions resulting from the following strategic documents: (i) the transport sector strategy of Burkina Faso for 2011-2015; (ii) the actions identified in the urban development master plans of the 12 regional capitals of Burkina Faso; (iii) the relevant development strategy actions resulting from the National scheme of territory planning (SNAT); and (iv) the national policy of housing and urban development. All those strategies highlighted the relevance of harmonious development of urban centers and their rural hinterlands for a sustainable economic growth of the country and shared prosperity. Concept completed on 14 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P151832. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Urban Water Sector Project - Additional Financing:** The overall objective of the project is to increase access to sustainable water and sanitation services in selected urban areas. This will contribute to achievement of the water and sanitation MDGs. The project will achieve the objective through: (a) facilitating access to services through programs for constructing social water service connections, public standpipes, and on-site sanitation facilities; and (b) consolidating the achievements of the urban water supply sub-sector reforms and strengthening capacities to deliver and manage services. The project will help to provide clean water to 527,000 additional people and to provide improved sanitation services to 246,000 additional people." Approval completed on 12 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149556. US\$ 80.0 (IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Office National de l'Eau et de l'Assainissement (ONEA) Tel: (226) 5043-1900.

# Burundi

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Burundi Coffee Sector Competitiveness Project:** The project development objective (PDO) is to increase coffee productivity and improve its quality among small-scale coffee growers in Burundi. Negotiations authorized on 30 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151869. US\$ 55.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. INTER-CAFE Tel: 25779923317, E-mail: nkurunzizafra@yahoo.fr, Contact: Mr. Francois Nkurunziza, Intercafe Executive Committee President.

#### Health and other social services

**Health Sector Transformation ("KIRA"):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 11 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**BI-Social Safety Nets:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 30 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Industry and trade

**City Competitiveness for Job Creation:** The objective of the project is to support firms within targeted sectors to create jobs and mobilize private capital in the city of Bujumbura. Concept completed on 26 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155060. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Strengthening Institutional Capacity for Government Effectiveness Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is: to strengthen government institutional capacity to improve fiscal management.

This objective will be achieved by supporting government efforts to mobilize domestic revenue, improve public expenditure management and controls, produce timely statistics for policy making, and improve mining sector regulatory capacity and practices. Approval completed on 22 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P149176. US\$ 22.0/5.2 (IDA Grant/GBEL). Consulting services to be determined. MINISTRY OF FINANCE Tel: 25779988725, E-mail: mushdes@yahoo.fr, Contact: Desire Musharitze, Coordinator of the cellule.

### Transportation

**Burundi- Infrastructure Resilience Emergency Project:** The Project's objective is to enhance the climate resilience of key transport and drainage infrastructure in Greater Bujumbura while strengthening the country's capacity to manage and prevent natural disasters. Approval completed on 31 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150929. US\$ 25.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Road Agency (OdR) Tel: 25722253695, E-mail: nibayubahev@gmail.com, Contact: Vincent NIBAYUBAHE, Directeur General.

# Cabo Verde

### Industry and trade

**(R) Competitiveness for Tourism Development:** The project development objective is to increase investment into and diversify the tourism sector. Negotiations authorized on 9 May 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category C*. Project: P146666. US\$ 5.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**CV Public Sector Governance Project:** The efficient provision of infrastructure and other public goods in small economies is challenging given their large fixed costs, indivisibilities in production and limited economies of scale. In this context, attracting private partners can be difficult. In Cape Verde this has resulted in the purely public provision of key infrastructure, with important implications both for the government's fiscal accounts and the efficiency of service delivery, which significantly affects the country's competitiveness. Cape Verde's five major SOEs, have long been a source of contingent liabilities for the government and the quality of the service delivery that they provide is poor due to their generally weak commercial and financial performance.

The reform of SOEs is at the core of the government's reform agenda. Monitoring both the financial performance of SOEs and the quality of their service delivery is imperative to ensure continued fiscal sustainability and create the infrastructure conditions necessary to achieve the country's development objectives. In pursuit of the first objective, fiscal sustainability, over the last three years the government has been working to strengthen SOE management and oversight. However, the effectiveness of state oversight and ownership is hampered by institutional settings and capacities. State ownership and oversight of SOEs is ensured by the Ministry of Finance and Planning (MFP), legally responsible for this function, through the Directorate of State Participations (DSPE - Direção de Serviço de Participações do Estado) at the General Directorate of Treasury. The effectiveness of this institutional framework is limited by the capacity of the SOE Unit and its institutional authority.

This project will provide technical support the Ministry of Finance and Planning and the DSPE to strengthen the institutional design governing the relations between the SOEs and their controller, and improve the supervisory and ownership functions of the DSPE. Identification completed on 1 August 2013. Environmental Assessment Category U. US\$ 4.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Cameroon

### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Livestock Development Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve productivity, competitiveness and efficiency of smallholder short cycle livestock producers and the livelihoods' resilience of pastoral and agro-pastoral producers in target areas.

For the purpose of this project, efficiency is defined as the capacity to turn natural resources into animal products. It is measured in terms of feed conversion ratio (kg feed per kg product), GHG emissions per unit of product and synthetic N and P used per unit of animal product Concept completed on 18 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154908. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Community Development Program Support Project-Phase III:** The development objective of phase 3 (PNDP III) is to strengthen local public finance management and participatory development processes in communes for the delivery of quality and sustainable social and economic infrastructure. Approval completed on 29 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P144637. US\$ 70.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. PNDP Tel: 694899091, E-mail: pndp@pndp.org.

### Energy and mining

**Electricity Transmission and Reform Project:** The proposed Cameroon - Electricity Transmission and Reform project will support electricity transmission network investments which are unlikely to be financed under private financing. The project will also support the ongoing electricity sector reform which aims at creating a state owned Transmission Company. Identification completed on 9 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$400.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Hydropower Dev. on the Sanaga River Proj:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 8 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 300.0/150.0/280.0 (GUAR/ZBIL/ZMUL). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(N)** Hydropower Dev. on the Sanaga River Proj: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category A*. US\$30.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**Health System Performance Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 15 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**PFM for Service Delivery Reform Project:** The proposed project will finance the following technical assistance to: (i) consolidate the existing efforts in the implementation of performance management tools in support of program budgeting approach, (ii) reinforce capacity of the national players of the public procurement in order to implement the new procurement strategy and (iii) prepare the various feasibility studies for the deployment of an integrated financial management system. Identification completed on 6 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Cameroon Inclusive Cities Program:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 10 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. *US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

Cameroon Transport Sector Support Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 6 October 2014.

Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$192.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Central African Republic

# Energy and mining

**CAR Rehabilitation and Reinforcement of the Electricity Sector:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 October 2012. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 17.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Emergency Public Services Response Project:** The project development objective is to re-establish an operational government payroll and related financial management systems. Approval completed on 19 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P154304. US\$ 10.0 (IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Finance and Budget/ CS REF Tel: 23675046105, E-mail: gm\_doungoupou@yahoo.fr, Contact: Remy Yakoro, Minister of Finance.

# Chad

# Health and other social services

**(N)** Chad Safety Nets Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 26 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category C.* US\$ 10.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**TD-Public Financial Mgmt CB AF:** The additional financing will scale up some existing activities (technical assistance to the computerization of the public financial management system) while supporting new ones (implementation of the organic finance law, debt management). Approval completed on 12 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 10.2 (IDA Grant). No consultants are required. Ministry of Economy and Finance Tel: (235-22) 520-452, E-mail: pamfip@intnet.td, Contact: Chandanie Wijayawardene, Director General.

# Comoros

Economic Governance Technical Assistance - AF: 1. Comoros' three islands form one of the smallest African countries. With an estimated 760,000 inhabitants, spread among three islands, the country remains mired in poverty. Gross Domestic Product (GDP) per capita is estimated at US\$785 and, based on 2004 estimates, about 45 percent of the population lived below the poverty line, an incidence that has probably increased since then. Poverty incidence varies considerably across regions and is typically higher in rural areas and on the island of Anjouan. The primary sector of the economy (mainly subsistence agriculture, a few cash crops, and fisheries) and retail services dominate the economy, representing about one-half and onefifth of the country's GDP, respectively. Cash crops comprise mainly three high-value export crops-vanilla, cloves and ylangylang -and constitute most of the export earnings in goods, equivalent to a mere 4 percent of GDP. The third largest sector is government services, representing about 10 percent of GDP. Despite the potential in tourism, the country has failed so far to tap into the growing role of this sector in the region. With longstanding outmigration, the country benefits from large and growing remittances-at close to 20 percent of GDP-from the Comorian diaspora, mainly in France. The diaspora also represents the main source of visitors from abroad. 2. Confirming a new commitment to reform, the Union of the Comoros adopted a Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper (PRSP) for the period 2010-2014, which was endorsed by partners, including the World Bank.5 The strategy has the following core objectives: (i) stabilize the economy and lay the groundwork for strong and equitable growth; (ii) strengthen key sectors by focusing on institution-building and ensuring a broader role for the private sector; (iii) strengthen governance and social cohesion; (iv) improve the health status of the general public; (iv) promote education and vocational training with the aim of developing human capital; and (v) promote environmental sustainability and civilian security. 3. In support of its PRSP, the government has finalized a comprehensive Public Financial Management strategy for the coming decade (2010-19) and adopted a detailed Action Plan for 2010-12. The proposed strategy is organized around four

pillars6: (i) modernizing the legislative and regulatory framework and strengthening institutional capacity; (ii) rationalizing budget preparation; (iii) strengthening budget execution; and (iv) increasing transparency through improved internal and external controls. The action plan (the first in a series of rolling triennial plans) provides a detailed, sequenced and budgeted list of actions mapped to specific lead institutions within the administration. Its implementation relies on two committees that include Union and island representatives: The CREF (which acts as a secretariat of the Comité Budgétaire) that is responsible for the implementation as well as monitoring and evaluation of the national PFM reform strategy, and the HASC that is in charge of leading the civil service reform, including management of personnel rosters, new recruitments into the civil service and implementation of the organic frameworks. 4. Notwithstanding this new dynamism for PFM reforms, important challenges remain. The 2007 Public Expenditure and Financial Assessment (PEFA) review rated Comoros at the lowest possible score, on 22 out of 28 key indicators. This evaluation emphasized weaknesses at all levels of public financial management (from formal institutions and procedures to actual implementation and processes), and puts Comoros squarely in the 'lower performance league' of African countries. 5. Major weaknesses contribute to reduce the Government's efficiency in terms of budget preparation, execution, and reporting. Despite recent improvements and efforts to enhance cooperation via the Comité Budgétaire, budget preparation remains nonparticipatory with consultations between Union and Islands fragmentary and unstructured. As a result, the budget is established mainly on the basis of economic and financial constraints, and is largely disconnected from policy priorities. With revenues barely covering wages and recurrent expenditures, there is limited scope for using the budget as a tool for resource allocations. In addition, the budgetary nomenclature is still based on administrative classifications and does not permit establishing a direct link between the budget (preparation and monitoring) and the government's policy priorities or tracking priority expenditures through the budget cycle. With respect to execution, the legal and procedural framework is outdated and moreover poorly understood even by those in charge of the administrative phase of execution (credit managers). As a result normal procedures are often circumvented through a proliferation of exceptional procedures and significant gaps appear between budgeted and actual amounts. Thus the informational and authorization functions of the budget are severely undermined. At the Treasury level, serious structural weaknesses were again compounded during the reconciliation period, which saw a breakdown in communication and systems across levels of Government. As a result key public accounts documents are simply never produced. 6. PFM information systems and financial control mechanisms are generally rudimentary and obsolete, and lack an integrated financial management information system. Except for the recently implemented ASYCUDA++ for customs operations, the only systems in place are software applications for wage bill calculation and external debt management. 7. Comoros' civil service absorbs an inordinate share of the Government's resources, while delivering poor quality services to the population. During the period of decentralization, most central administrative structures were simply duplicated in each autonomous island (without regard for administrative efficiency or financial sustainability). Correspondingly the civil service roster increased from less than 6,000 in 1999 to some 12,000 in 2008, with a concomitant rise of wage and salaries expenditures from 6.2 to 9 percent of Gross Domestic Product (GDP), a loss of institutional memory and a dilution of already scare human resources. Moreover, the often discretionary nature of these appointments has weakened the significance of positions and job descriptions within each public institution. 8. The government has taken steps to improve the effectiveness of public administration and gradually reduce the wage bill, but much remains to be done. The HASC has supervised the establishment of a unified computerized civil service roster (for the Union and Islands) and contracted the development of an integrated civil service and wage management software. It has also carried out a vast review of the existing organizational structures of each administration (cadres organiques) an updated version of which has been adopted by Parliament in 2010 and will be gradually implemented. Nevertheless, there are numerous remaining challenges. For example, the civil service roster will only become a useful management tool once a physical census of all civil servants has been completed to clean up and validate the data. Also, much work is needed to develop feasible strategies for implementing the new organizational structures over time and with due consideration for social consequences. 9. In January 31 2011, the Bank approved a grant in the amount of SDR 1.2 million (USD 1.8 million equivalent) to support the country's PFM and civil service reform programs. The original project development objectives are (i) to increase the efficiency, accountability and transparency of public financial management and (ii) to improve the management of civil service human resources and wages. The disbursement percentage as of December 18, 2012 is about 67%. 10. A midterm performance review was conducted in March 2012 and followed by s supervision mission in October 2012. Overall, progress towards achieving the PDOs and implementation progress of the activities were found satisfactory. However, the team noted a financing gap of about \$1.5 million to implement the remaining activities of the project, including the PFM information system and the implementation of the recommendations of the HR assessments and reviews (physical census of the civil servants, wages paid by checks, organic frameworks). In addition, the policy dialogue with the Ministry of Finance highlighted the weak macroeconomic management capacities which undermine the country's ability to formulate expenditure policy decisions based on sound assumptions and data. To address this challenge, the authorities have requested the Bank's support to conduct economic management studies to inform budget preparation processes and sectoral analysis. 12. The purpose of the additional financing is to support the implementation of those activities. More specifically, the additional activities are following: (i) Acquire and roll out a system covering budget preparation, budget execution, and accounting and reporting; (ii) design and build the required network

(LAN and WAN) so that the module could be used by the Treasury services throughout the territory (iii) support the implementation of the HR assessments and reviews (physical census of the civil servants, wages paid by checks, organic frameworks) (iv) economic management studies to inform budget preparation processes and sectoral analysis. 13. Moreover, the original date closing date is set for December 31, 2013. According to the IT master plan, the acquisition and roll out of the budget and accounting system would take up to 18 months. Therefore an extension of the closing date of the parent project is proposed until December 31, 2015. 14. No other changes are proposed to the project's development objectives as the additional activities fit within the originally conceived objectives. Approval completed on 12 November 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 3.5 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Economic and Governance Project (ABGE) Tel: (263) 773-9900, E-mail: moinacharani@yahoo.fr, Contact: Moinafatima Charani, Coordinator, ABGE.

# Congo, Democratic Republic of

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Forest Dependent Communities Support Project:** The objective of the project is to empower targeted Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLC) to benefit from and engage in REDD+ policies and FIP activities. Concept completed on 14 February 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149049. US\$ 6.0 (CSCF). No consultants are required. National Steering Committee Tel: 243-0998668497, E-mail: cpndgmrdc@gmail.com, Contact: Kapupu Diwa Mutimanwa, Président du CNP.

# Education

**AF-DRC Human Development Systems Strengthening:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(N)** Education Quality Improvement Project (EQUIP): Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 3 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$ 100.0 (EFAF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Quality and Relevance of Secondary and Tertiary Education Project:** The objectives of the project are to: (i) improve the teaching and learning of Mathematics and Science in general secondary education, and (ii) enhance relevance of technical and vocational education and training (TVET) in priority sectors at secondary and tertiary levels. Approval completed on 26 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149233. US\$ 130.0/70.0 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Primary, Secondary and Vocational Education Tel: 243811762786, E-mail: makeryvet@hotmail.com, Contact: Maker Mwangu Famba, Minister.

# Energy and mining

**Energy Access and Services Expansion (EASE):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 11 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Health and other social services

**DRC Reinsertion and Reintegration Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to support the socio-economic reintegration of demobilized ex-combatants. Approval completed on 15 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152903. US\$ 15.0/6.5 (IDA Grant/TDRP). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Governance II:** This is additional financing for the ongoing GCEP operation P104041, as per the recommendation of the MTR, conducted in November 2010, and as per the detailed request from the Minister of Finance, received in January 2011.

Additional financing will fund activities in a 4th provinces (Kasai Occidental) additional activity on supporting procurement reform additional activity on public service identification process additional cost for IT investments due to price increases and expansion of the initially planned activities Approval completed on 9 May 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P126115. US\$ 67.0 (IDA Grant). No consultants are required. Ministry of Interior Tel: (243-99) 290-5743, E-mail: prcgrdc@gmail.com, Contact: Popaul Kizungu Chihiza, Project Coordinator.

**DRC-Statistics Development Project:** The development objective of this project is to strengthen the capacity of the National Statistical System to produce and disseminate core economic and social statistics. Approval completed on 28 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P150148. US\$ 45.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Integrated Subnational Development:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 19 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 60.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**DRC - Urban Development Project Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 29 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R) DRC High Priority Roads Reopening and Maintenance - 2nd Additional Fin:** The objective is to re-establish lasting access between provincial capitals and districts and territories in four provinces (Province Orientale, Katanga, Sud Kivu, and Equateur) in a way that is sustainable for people and the natural environment in the area of influence of the project. *Appraisal completed on 22 October 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P153836. US\$ 125.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**DRC Urban Water Supply Project Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 29 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Congo, Republic of

# Education

**Education Sector Support Project:** The project development objective is to support the Education Strategy goal of creating a well-performing education system that offers quality primary and [lower] secondary education to all. Concept completed on 4 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152910. US\$ 30.0/10.7 (IDA Credit/EFAF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**Urban Development and Poor Neighborhood Upgrading Project:** The project development objective is to: (1) improve access to infrastructure and basic services for people living in selected unplanned settlements in Brazzaville and Pointe Noire, and (2) strengthen government and municipalities' capacity for urban upgrading. Appraisal completed on 5 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146933. US\$80.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Cote d'Ivoire

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Obsolete Pesticides Management Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve the management of obsolete pesticides and associated wastes in Côte d'Ivoire by the Government and other stakeholders. Approval completed on

25 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P131778. US\$ 7.0 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. The World Bank.

#### Education

**Youth Employment and Skills Development - Additional Financing:** The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve access to temporary employment and skills development opportunities for young men and women

in Cote d'Ivoire's territory. Approval completed on 26 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151844. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Energy and mining

**Côte d'Ivoire: Support for the LNG Import Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 400.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Cote d'Ivoire - Electricity Transmission and Access Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 25 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Industry and trade

**CI-Infrastructure for Urban Develop. and Competitiv. of second. cities:** The proposed Cote d'Ivoire Integrated Growth and Competitiveness operation supports structural transformation around priority value chains, through a complement of spatially targeted instruments facilitating PME/PMI access to infrastructure and logistics, financial and non financial support, and business environment reform. Identification completed on 25 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Cote d'Ivoire Land Policy Improvement and Implementation Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 15 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Cote d'Ivoire Local Governance and Local Development:** The development objective of the Project is to contribute to rural/urban development and poverty reduction through supporting provision of priority public goods and services at the commune level, as well as to promote good local governance through support of decentralized and deconcentrated participatory local governance systems at the commune and provincial/district levels. Identification completed on 21 December 2012. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**CI Governance and Institu Dev Addit Fin:** The project development objective (PDO) is to achieve enhanced transparency and efficiency in the management of public finances and improved governance and efficiency in the cocoa sector. Approval completed on 9 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P147016. US\$ 5.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation Tel: (967-1) 250-118, E-mail: ashater@mpic.gov.ye, Contact: Abdullah Al Shatter, Deputy Minister for Projects Programming.

# Transportation

**Infrastructure Renewal and Urban Management project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 70.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Transport Sector Modernization and Trade Facilitation Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 10 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Urban Water Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 28 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Ethiopia

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**(R) Oromia Forested Landscape Program:** 12. The Project Development Objective is to reduce deforestation and net greenhouse gas emissions from land use in targeted large forested landscapes in Oromia. *Concept completed on 23 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P156475. US\$ 18.0 (BIOA). *Consultants will be required.* Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Energy and mining

**ENREP ADDITIONAL FINANCING:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 27 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Finance

**(R) Ethiopia: SME Finance Project:** 24. The project development objective is to increase sustainable access to finance for SMEs. *Concept completed on 28 October 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P148447. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Health and other social services

**(R) Urban Productive Safety Net Project (UPSNP):** The PDO of the proposed project is to support the Government of Ethiopia to improve income of targeted poor households and establish urban safety net mechanisms *Negotiations authorized on 3 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151712. US\$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). *Consultants will be required.* Ministry of Urban Development and Housing Tel: -, E-mail: -, Contact: -, -.

# Industry and trade

**Ethiopia Trade Logistics Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 16 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Ethiopia PFM Project:** This project is the PFM project for Ethiopia. The two main components of this project are currently planned to be (i) the roll out of the Oracle IFMIS and (ii) support for ERCA and the regional revenue authorities. In addition, support will be provided for smaller activities relating to debt management, procurement, auditing and accounting and improving expenditure management in Line Ministries. Identification completed on 30 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 32.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**Ethiopia - Addis Ababa Urban Land Use and Transport Support Project:** The proposed project development objective (PDO) is to improve safe, reliable and efficient urban accessibility in select project areas in Addis Ababa.

The proposed project will help develop the capacity of the Addis Ababa Road and Transport Bureau to evaluate, plan, develop, and manage both supply and demand aspects of the urban transport system by bringing an accessibility approach to select project areas through 4 sub-components: transport systems management; public transport improvements; integrated urban planning and transport, and long-term planning and institution building. Identification completed on 11 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Ethiopia- Expressway Development Support Project:** The objective of the Project is to enhance efficiency and safety in the movement of goods and people along the Zeway-Arsi Negele section of the Modjo-Hawassa development corridor, whilst strengthening the Recipient's institutional capacity to develop and manage high capacity highways and expressways. Approval completed on 19 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P148850. US\$ 370.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ethiopian Roads Authority Tel: 251-1151-56603, E-mail: zgebriel@yahoo.com, Contact: Zaid Wolde Gebriel, Director General.

### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Tana & Beles Integrated Water Resources Development Additional Finance:** Develop enabling institutions and investments for integrated planning, management and development in the Tana and Beles Sub-basins for integrated water resources development. Approval completed on 25 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154680. US\$ 5.1 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Ethiopia Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 26 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Gabon

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Wildlife and human-elephant conflicts management in the South of Gabon:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$ 9.3 (GEFU)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Education

**Gabon Skills Development Project:** The Ministry of Education of Gabon is seeking the World Bank's expertise for designing a skills development project. Gabon is a middle-income country, and qualifies for IBRD lending. The task involves designing an appropriate skills development operation and the related implementation details for a FY14 QIII envisaged Board date. Identification completed on 21 August 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

Access to Basic Services in Rural Areas and Capacity Building Project: The project development objectives (PDO) are to expand access to water and energy services in targeted rural areas and to establish mechanisms to improve sustainability of service provision. Approval completed on 17 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P144135. US\$60.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Petroleum, Energy and Water Resources Tel: 24107127515, E-mail: dguedond@yahoo.fr, Contact: Désiré Guedon, Minister Energy and Water Resources.

#### Information and communications

**eGabon:** The proposed project development objective (PDO) is to transform public health services delivery and foster digital job creation by expanding access to connectivity, promoting innovation and leveraging information and communications technologies (ICT).

Direct beneficiaries of the proposed project will be both agents and patients of the National Health System and private sector actors/entrepreneurs conducting business in the digital economy, with a specific focus on women and youth. Indirect beneficiaries potentially include all of the country's population, benefitting from increased availability of Health services at affordable rates, increased access to connectivity from extension of broadband networks, and increased job opportunities in or supporting the digital economy. Concept completed on 11 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P132824. US\$56.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Gabon Statistical Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 6 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. *US\$50.0 (IBRD)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**(R) Infrastructure and Local Development Project II:** The Project Development Objective is to improve access to urban infrastructure and services in selected underserviced neighborhoods and to build basic capacities for municipal management in target cities. *Negotiations authorized on 5 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151077. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. National Commission for Public Infras. Works and Promotion of Small-Scale Enterprises (CN-TIPPEE) Tel: 24105190409, E-mail: tippeegabon@cntippee.org, Contact: Richard Damas, Permanent Secretary.

# Gambia, The

# Energy and mining

**Gambia Electricity Sector Support Project:** The Project Development Objective is to increase the availability and reliability of electricity supply. Appraisal completed on 25 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152659. US\$ 18.5 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. National Water and Electric Company Ltd (NAWEC) Tel: 220-4375957, E-mail: coxib2000@yahoo.com, Contact: Ebrahima Sagna, MD.

# Industry and trade

**GM-Growth & Competitiveness II:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 29 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**GM-Integrated Financial Management and Information System Project-Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 20 September 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 5.0 (IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs Tel: (220) 422-5713, Contact: Juan Bosco Marti Ascencio, Titular de la Unidad de Asuntos Internacionales.

# Ghana

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

Ghana: Second Additional Financing for Sustainable Land and Water Management Project: Objective to be

Determined. Identification completed on 2 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 12.8 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Dedicated Grant Mechanism for Local Communities:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 12 June 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 5.5 (CSCF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Energy and mining

**(R)** Ghana Sankofa Gas Project: Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 30 July 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category A*. Project: P152670. US\$ 200.0/500.0 (GUAR/GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Additional Financing for Energy Development and Access Project: To improve the operational efficiency of the electricity distribution system and increase the population s access to electricity. Approval completed on 30 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147878. US\$ 60.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Electricity Company of Ghana Tel: 233302676719, E-mail: d.eng@ecggh.com; VRA (TF090542) Tel: 233 302 666 037, E-mail: m.tawiah@vra.com, Contact: moses tawiah, engineer.

**Ghana IPP Guarantee Program:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 26 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 300.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Finance

**Ghana Climate Innovation Center:** The objective of the project is to support entrepreneurs and SMEs involved in developing profitable and locally-appropriate solutions to climate change and increase business activity in the climate technology sector through the establishment of a locally based climate innovation center. Appraisal completed on 21 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145765. US\$ 17.2 (INFO). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Economic Management Strengthening:** The purpose of the "Economic Management Strengthening (EMS)" is to build capacity and strengthen the policymaking framework that will help the government make better informed and more technical decisions to manage volatility emanating from external and domestic shocks. This would involve mainly the areas of expenditure and revenue forecasting in the short and medium term, debt management, development of domestic capital markets, project evaluation and monitoring, State Owned Enterprise regulation and

The objective of EMS is to strengthen processes and systems necessary for effective fiscal management, and coordination between budget formulating, cash flow projecting, debt management. The project will have five main components, namely:

Component 1: Strengthen the Fiscal Framework - improving coordination between following units: budget, public investment, revenue, and debt management. Requires human capacity and in systems processing, with the objective of ensuring transparency and accountability. The main objective is improving the MTEF and extending it to a fiscal framework that includes revenue forecasting and debt management.

Component 2: Strengthening Debt Management - improving governance framework, ensuring control and internal audit systems and procedures are adhered to, having regular and random security systems checks and back-ups among others; Implementation of the Debt management Reform Plan.

Component 3: Regulation of state owned enterprises by MoF or SEC requires well trained staff on industrial economics, microeconomics, accounting.

Component 4: Public Investment Management - Ensure the effective management of procurement and disbursement processes on the one hand and productive use of personnel on the other hand.

Component 5- Development of domestic capital market, requires capacity building in the areas of monetary and financial economics, regulation and supervision of financial intermediaries, on risk management. Identification completed on 25 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Health and other social services

**Ghana Productive Jobs for Youth:** The proposed project would support the Government's effort to support productive jobs for youth through a combination of supply and demand side interventions. Identification completed on 13 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 60.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**AF Ghana Social Opportunities Project:** The Project Development Objectives (PDO) of this Additional Financing is to improve targeting of social protection programs and provide income support to poor households through LEAP grants and LIPW infrastructure in targeted districts. Approval completed on 27 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146923. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection, Contact: Abdullah Al Shatter, Deputy Minister for Projects Programming; Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development Tel: (233-302) 818-1782, E-mail: kofibedu@yahoo.com, Contact: Robert Austin, National Coordinator.

## Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Ghana Macroeconomic Stability for Competitiveness & Growth Credit:** Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 30 June 2015. Project: P155550. US\$ 400.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Additional Financing for Ghana Oil and Gas Capacity Building Project: The project objective is to (i) improve public management and regulatory capacity while enhancing transparency; and (ii) strengthen local technical skills in Ghana's emerging oil and gas sector. Approval completed on 27 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P148224. US\$ 19.8 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required.

#### Transportation

**Transport Sector Improvement Project:** 19. The proposed project development objective is to improve the management of Transport Sector and improve road asset management of the classified road network. This will be achieved through targeted institutional and expenditure reviews, the introduction of performance-based road contracting on selected roads and selected coordinated road safety activities. Concept completed on 8 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151026. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Roads and Highways Tel: (233-21) 671-445, E-mail: aboretum@hotmail.com; Ministry of Transport Tel: (233-244) 298-818.

**Ghana Transport Sector Project - Additional Fin:** Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 4 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P149444. US\$ 25.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Roads and Highways and Ministry of Transport Tel: (233-302) 661-575, E-mail: duaquaye@yahoo.com, Contact: Dr. D. D. Darku

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**PWALUGU MULTIPURPOSE PROJECT:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 2 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Guinea

# Education

(R) Third Village Community Support Project: The development objective of the Third Village Communities Support

Project (PACV3) is to improve the living conditions of Guinea's rural population by strengthening rural communes' capacities in developing and managing local development plans and annual investment programs. *Concept completed on 11 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P156422. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). *Consultants will be required.* Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Energy and mining

**Guinea-Souapiti Hydropower project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 19 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Health and other social services

Additional Financing Productive Social Safety Nets Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 12.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Economic Gov TA & Capacity Building - Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 15 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Water and Sanitation Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 15 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Guinea-Bissau

# Education

**Rural Community-Driven Development Project Add Fin:** Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 7 February 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146746. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Project Coordination Unit Tel: (245) 320-7407, E-mail: handem\_jr@hotmail.com, Contact: João S. Handem Jr., Project Coordinator.

# Energy and mining

**Emergency Electricity and Water Rehabilitation Project - Additional Financing:** This Additional Financing of \$2.1m will aim to (i) cover any cost over-run on the 5 MW of thermal power plus fuel oil reservoir planned under the EEWRP with a budget of \$6m, and/or (ii) cover any needed scale up of TA for reform/transformation of utility EAGB into a well-managed commercial entity, which has a budget of \$1.5m under EEWRP. Both of these components were constrained due to limited IDA CRW funds under emergency operation. Bids for 5 MW thermal power are expected in February 2011, by which time it will become clear to what extent there is a shortage of funds for this component. Approval completed on 17 May 2011. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P125374. US\$ 2.2 (IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Economy, Planning, and Regional Integration Tel: (245) 320-7286, E-mail: hembalo@hotmail.com, Contact: Luis Alberto Gomes, Coordinator.

# Health and other social services

**Second Add. Fin. to Rural Community-Driven Development Project:** The objectives of the Project are to lay the foundation of a social safety net strategy in Guinea Bissau by: (i) increasing access to basic priority social and economic infrastructures and services in participating communities, (ii) providing income support to vulnerable groups, and (iii) testing the

building blocks for a larger system. Identification completed on 18 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Social Protection Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 5 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Kenya

#### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**National Agricultural and Rural Inclusive Growth Project:** The proposed development objective is to reduce vulnerabilities and promote inclusive agricultural and other livelihoods of the small-scale and marginal farmers in the targeted communities. Concept completed on 4 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153349. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Devolution and Planning Tel: 254-2252-299, E-mail: psplanning@devolutionplanning.go.ke., Contact: Eng. Peter P. Mangiti, Principle Secretary.

## Energy and mining

**KE Electricity Modernization Project:** The purpose of the Partial Credit Guarantee (PCG) is to serve as a credit enhancement tool to improve the risk profile of KPLC for commercial lenders and support KPLC obtain commercial loans for longer tenors at competitive interest rates. The PCG is currently envisioned to take the form of debt service payment support, first loss guarantee and/or principal repayment guarantee for the extended period of the tenor. Approval completed on 31 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 200.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Additional Financing: Kenya Electricity Expansion Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 3 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$ 56.0 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

Additional Financing for Cash Transfers for Orphans and Vulnerable Children: To increase social safety net access for extremely poor OVC households and to build the capacity of the government to more effectively deliver the National Safety Net Program. Approval completed on 31 October 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P146161. US\$ 10.0/56.4 (IDA Credit/DFID). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Labor, Social Security and Services Tel: NA, E-mail: mwasiajiwf@yahoo.com, Contact: Winnie Mwasiaji, Social Protection Secretariat Coordinator.

**Transforming Health Systems for Universal Care:** The project development objective (PDO) is to improve the delivery and use of quality essential health care services in the targeted counties with a focus on reproductive, maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health (RMNCAH) services. Concept completed on 13 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152394. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Kenya Youth Employment and Opportunities: The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to increase employment and earnings opportunities for targeted youths.

The beneficiaries of the project will be youths aged between 16 and 29 years of age who are jobless and have experienced extended spells of unemployment or who are currently working in vulnerable jobs defined as those working on their own account, a contributing family member, or working for wages in a household enterprise with fewer than 10 workers. During preparation the target group will be further refined to promote access for women and disadvantaged youth. Concept completed on 11 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P151831. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined.

#### Information and communications

Kenya Transparency and Infrastructure Project Additional Financing 2: The RCIP Program, the CIP 1,2,3 Projects and following CIP Projects have two overarching development objectives (i) to contribute to lower prices for international

capacity and extend the geographic reach of broadband networks (the "connectivity development objective") and (ii) contribute to improved Government efficiency and transparency through egovernment applications (the "transparency development objective"). Approval completed on 26 March 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149019. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. ICT Authority Tel: (254-20) 208-9061, E-mail: vkyalo@ict.go.ke, Contact: Mr. Victor Kyalo, vkyalo@ict.go.ke.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Kenya Secondary Cities Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 28 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Transportation

**Airport Modernization Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 26 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 0.1 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Kenya Rural Roads Project:** 10. The proposed development objective is to enhance mobility in selected rural areas in support of inclusive agriculture and other livelihoods of local communities in the targeted counties.

11. The PDO is proposed to be achieved through (i) providing improved county roads in targeted and prioritized rural areas, (ii) ensuring that road investments are sustainable through the provision of efficient road maintenance and (iii) strengthening the institutional capacity of the local governance system and the technical entities to plan, maintain and manage the county road networks. Concept completed on 24 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151004. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Projects - Additional financing: To improve living conditions in informal settlements in selected urban centers in selected counties in Kenya. Approval completed on 8 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P144966. US\$ 8.3 (SPTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Addl Financing - Kenya Water Security and Climate Resilience Project: The PDOs of KWSCRP-1 are to (a) increase availability and productivity of irrigation water for project beneficiaries and (b) enhance the institutional framework and strengthen capacity for water security and climate resilience in certain areas of the country.

Within the PDO, 'capacity for water security and climate resiliency' primarily includes improved water services, flood protection, and analytical capacity to understand and manage hydrological variability. Approval completed on 26 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P151660. US\$ 58.0/3.5 (IDA Credit/KWBP). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Lesotho

#### Education

**Lesotho Education Quality for Equality:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 26 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 25.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Health and other social services

**Social Assistance Project:** The objective of the proposed project is to support the Government of Lesotho in improving the efficiency and equity of selected social assistance programs. Negotiations authorized on 21 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P151442. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Social Development Tel:

(266-2) 222-6080, E-mail: ramoear@health.gov.ls, Contact: Mr. Rapelang J. Ramoea

### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Public Sector Modernization Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve the use of public resources by increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of fiscal and civil service management systems and M&E in targeted ministries. Concept completed on 20 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P152398. US\$ 10.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**Lesotho Transport Infrastructure and Connectivity Project (LTIC):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 31 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Lesotho WSIP2 AF LHWP Ph2 Hydropower:** To support the Kingdom of Lesotho in: (i) developing and sustaining an environmentally sound, socially responsible, and financially viable framework for the MDWSP, (ii) increasing the quantity of safe, bulk water supplied to Teyateyaneng, (iii) strengthening institutions and related instruments in the water sector; and (iv) advancing strategic infrastructure investments. Approval completed on 20 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 9.1/6.4 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Lesotho Highlands Development Authority Tel: (266-22) 311-281, E-mail: lhwp@lhda.org.ls.

# Liberia

### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

Liberia Forest Sector Project: The proposed sector investment operation is part of the Forest Investment Program resulting from the partnership between the Government of Liberia and the Government of Norway. Supported by a letter of intent signed on September 23, 2014, the Government of Norway will provide US\$150 million to support Liberia's REDD Strategy. This financial support has been divided in three distinct yet-inter-related projects: (i) Forest sector Budget support; (ii) Forest Sector investments and technical assistance; and, (iii) results-based payment operation for verified emission reductions which will be conducted in a later phase. This AIS refers to the second project, Forest Sector Investments and technical assistance, which will be implemented under the leadership of FDA, in coordination with the Ministry of Agriculture, EPA, the Land Commission and the Ministry of Lands, Mines and Energy. The project will support activities to create an enabling environment for the implementation of the REDD+ Strategy as well as investments for early implementation in selected sites of strategic land use options identified in the country's REDD+ Strategy. The project will support several components such as: (i) development of institutional capacities, which will strengthen the enabling environment for effective decentralized implementation of forest sector management, and particularly the REDD+ Strategy, with engagement of local communities. This will also include communications, awareness raising, consultation and gender-responsive participation activities related to the project's results; (ii) design, roadmap, capacity building, institutionalization and methodological framework for the implementation of a Measurement, Reporting and Verification (MRV) system that will allow for credible measurement, reporting and verification of REDD+ activities; (iii) development and implementation of a Safeguards Information System (SIS) covering all measures proposed in the REDD+ Strategy and relevant activities, in accordance with the Warsaw Framework on REDD+ and international best practice; (iv) land use planning and analysis of the country's land cover including all biophysical forest and degraded lands. The project will support the establishment of integrated spatial planning and decision-making processes, integrating goals of conservation, restoration, production and productivity; (v) enlargement and strengthening of Liberia's protected area network through a consultative process and contributing to the goal of allocating 30% or more of Liberia's forest estate under protected area status; (vi) analysis, design and implementation of alternative models of agriculture investment including an identification of land areas that are suitable for deforestation-free supply chain investments with specific crops such as palm oil, cocoa, paper, pulp and climate smart rice; (vii) cost-effective analysis, design and initial implementation of a mechanism/scheme for payments for ecosystem services (PES). The payments will only be disbursed to the communities once there is satisfactory monitoring and verification that the services have been provided. Identification completed on 25 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 37.5 (BIOA). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Energy and mining

**(R)** Liberia Renewable Energy Access Project: The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to increase access to electricity and to foster the use of renewable energy sources. *Negotiations authorized on 19 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149683. *US\$ 2.0/25.0 (IDA Credit/CSCF)*. *Consultants will be required*. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**(R)** Liberia Youth Opportunities Project: The Project Development Objectives are to improve access to income generation opportunities for targeted youth and strengthen the government's capacity to implement its cash transfer program. *Approval completed on 6 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146827. US\$ 10.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Finance and Development Planning Tel: 231888234715, E-mail: akonneh@mfdp.gov.lr, Contact: Hon. Amara M. Konneh, Minister of Finance.

**Liberia Health Systems Strengthening Project- Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 7 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 16.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R)** Liberia Social Safety Nets Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 15 April 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category C.* US\$ 10.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Liberia Land Administration Project:** The objective of this project is to consolidate and strengthen land administration system in Liberia by (i) providing continued support towards the policy and legal reforms; (ii) supporting capacity building in land administration through the provision of training, equipment and infrastructure required for an efficient land administration system. The proposed key result areas include: (i) basic land policies and laws adopted, (ii) land records safeguarded, (iii) new land agency established and operational, (iv) key land administration functions revived, and (v) alternative land dispute resolution services mainstreamed.

The project will contribute to the country's long term program to secure access to land for all Liberians while improving the performance of land administration and management institutions and systems. Improved land governance is important to support shared and sustained growth, peace, stability and sustainable management of natural resources.

The project will support three main components: (i) support to policy and legal reforms and institutional building, (ii) enhancement of land administration functions, and (iii) reforming and piloting the land title registration system. Identification completed on 10 January 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 5.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Transportation

**South Eastern Corridor Road Asset Management Project:** 16. The Project Development Objectives (PDOs) are to support the Recipient's effort to reduce transport costs along the South Eastern Ganta-Zwedru corridor and to improve institutional arrangements and capacity in the road sector. Concept completed on 22 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149279. US\$ 100.0/40.0 (IDA Credit/LRTF). Consulting services to be determined. Infrastructure Implementation Unit (IIU).

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**(R)** Liberia Urban Water Supply Project: The proposed project development objective (PDO) is to increase access to piped water supply services in the project area in Monrovia and improve the operational efficiency and customer orientation of the LWSC.

To achieve this objective, the project will include two components: (i) infrastructure improvements for Monrovia; (ii) Capacity Building for LWSC and development of improved Project Management and Monitoring & Evaluation systems.

*Concept completed on 4 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155947. US\$ 10.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Madagascar

## Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**(N) GEF Sustainable Agriculture Landscape Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 28 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B.* US\$ 13.6 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Madagascar Agriculture Rural Growth and Land Management Project:** The proposed project development objective is to increase farmer incomes, agricultural productivity, and value addition through the facilitation of linkages between the private sector and rural communities and through improved land tenure security. Concept completed on 11 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151469. *US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Sustainable Agriculture Landscape Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$ 40.0/13.6 (IDA Credit/GFIA)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Energy and mining

**MG-Electricity Sec Operations & Governance Improvement Project(ESOGIP):** The proposed Project Development Objective is to improve performance, management, and governance of the power sector of Madagascar by simultaneously addressing three key areas for sustainable development: (i) planning (including access) and implementation of outcomes; (ii) operations for electric service provision; (iii) financial viability. Identification completed on 9 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151785. US\$ 65.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. JIRAMA Tel: 261348324309, E-mail: deel@jirama.mg.

#### Health and other social services

**AF-Emergency Support Critical Education Health and Nutrition Services:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to preserve critical education, health and nutrition service delivery in targeted vulnerable areas in the recipient's territory. Approval completed on 27 February 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148749. US\$ 9.8/0.2 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. PNNC, Contact: ...

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Public Sector Performance Loan:** The proposed project is a SIL which aims at strengthening public sector performance in Madagascar in selected high impact areas through strengthening technical, organizational and institutional capacity for improved fiscal management and service-delivery. Specific areas of support are still to be determined on the basis of dialogue with government. The preliminary analysis on the basis of the first mission in April 2014 has highlighted PFM, performance M&E, tax administration/customs as potential project components, which will be confirmed in the next mission in June 2014. Identification completed on 12 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 35.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Malawi

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Shire Valley Irrigation Project:** To sustainably increase agricultural productivity and incomes for targeted households in the districts of Chikwawa and Nsanje in the Shire Valley by establishing market-linked smallholder farming ventures and professionally operated irrigation services. Concept completed on 9 October 2013. Environmental Assessment Category A.

Project: P125473. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security (MOAFS) Tel: (265-1) 789-033, E-mail: xtluhanga@yahoo.com, Contact: Mr. Sandram Maweru, Principal Secretary.

### Education

**Malawi Education Sector Improvement Project (MESIP):** The overall Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve the equity and quality of primary education service delivery in early grade levels with an emphasis on improved accountability and functioning at the school level. Concept completed on 14 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154185. US\$ 44.9 (EFAF). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Health and other social services

Additional Financing to Nutrition, HIV and AIDS Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 20 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 7.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Additional Financing Strengthening Safety Nets Systems Proj. (MASAFIV): The Project Development Objective of the proposed project is to strengthen Malawi's social safety net delivery systems and coordination across programs. Approval completed on 26 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148617. US\$ 6.8/68.2 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Local Development Fund - Technical Support Team (LDF-TST) Tel: 26501775666, E-mail: Charles Mandala <cmandala@ldf.gov.mw>.

### Industry and trade

**Business Enabling Environment Project:** BUSINESS ENABLING ENVIRONMENT PROJECT Identification completed on 23 May 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 5.2 (AFRF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**(N)** Public Services Reform Program: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 22 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category C.* US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Lilongwe Water Project:** The Project Development Objective is to improve water supply to Lilongwe, and improve the operational and financial performance of the Lilongwe Water Board. This will be achieved through targeted investments in the Lilongwe Bulk Water System and technical assistance to LWB and MAIWD to improve the efficiency and sustainability of water services and to support the Lilongwe Water Program.

The Project will support the Lilongwe Water Program with the objective to expand access to water services in Lilongwe through improved bulk water supply, improved distribution and improved capacity of MAIWD and LWB to better manage water services. The Program will be supported by a number of Development Partner through discrete projects. These projects will either be co-financed or parallel financed. Concept completed on 17 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P153205. US\$ 71.0/55.0/101.0/40.0 (IDA Credit/AFDB/EUIB/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Mali

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**(R)** Mali Reinsertion of Ex-combatants Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 31 August 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category C.* US\$ 15.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Mali Obsolete Pesticides Disposal and Prevention Project:** The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to reduce risks from existing publicly-held obsolete pesticide stocks and associated waste; and strengthen the institutional framework for risk mitigation of obsolete pesticides. Approval completed on 24 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P146247. US\$ 1.0/3.2 (DANI/GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Energy and mining

**Mali Renewable Energy Power Guarantee:** PRG operation in support of the development of the Kenie Hydropower Project in Mali Identification completed on 21 October 2013. US\$ 30.0/70.0 (GUID/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Mali Rural Electrification Hybrid System Project - GPOBA:** The Mali Rural Electrification Hybrid System Project (US\$25 million – IDA; US\$ 15.5 million - Climate Investment Funds) prepared under the Scaling Up Renewable Energy Program in Low Income Countries (SREP) aims i) to increase the share of renewable energy generation in rural electricity supply and ii) to contribute to increased access to modern energy services in rural areas. The proposed GPOBA component (US\$ 5 million) will support the objectives of the Program by partially subsidizing the investment cost of mini-grids' densification/extension, SHSs and internal wiring to make access to clean energy affordable to low income households in rural, isolated areas. Promoting OBA approaches in the rural electrification program is important for unlocking additional US\$1.6 million of private sources of funding for rural energy development, maximizing the benefits of renewable energy generation (hybridization of mini-grids with solar energy under IDA project) through increased access, enhancing the performance of private operators while making off-grid connections affordable to the poor. The grant will be managed by AMADER and implemented by selected private operators. Approval completed on 11 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 5.0 (GPBA). Consulting services to be determined.

**Banda Gas to Power Guarantee:** The Gas To Power Project will use natural gas discovered offshore of Mauritania for a power station to be built near Nouakchott. The power will be sold to SOMELEC in Mauritania, SENELEC in Senegal and EDM in Mali using the existing OMVS regional grid. A PRG is required to guarantee gas payments to the producer Tullow Oil estimated at \$104m. Government of Mali needs to provide a counter-guarantee to cover the proportion of the energy that will be exported to EDM estimated at \$17m (equivalent to IDA allocation of \$4.25m given 1:4 leverage for IDA PRGs). Approval completed on 29 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P145664. US\$ 32.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**(N)** Safety Nets Project (Jigisemejiri) Additional Financing: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 4 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category C*. US\$ 10.0 (AFRH). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Industry and trade

**Mali Support to Agroindustrial Competitiveness Project:** The proposed operation will support the design and implementation of a growth pole pilot under an innovative public private partnership model. The project will foster competitiveness and job creation in sectors including agropoles, mining. Identification completed on 30 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**Mali - Economic & Environmental Rehabilitation of the Niger River:** 21. The main objective of this operation is to improve economic and environmental services of the Niger River in Mali to the benefit of the population and ecosystems in the Inland River Delta. This objective will be achieved through reducing key constraints to Inland Water Transportation (IWT), implementing measures aimed at decreasing sedimentation and bank erosion in critical spots and creating opportunities for improved livelihood of the local population. Concept completed on 18 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P151909. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Agence de Bassin du Fleuve Niger - Mali.

## Water, sanitation and flood protection

**(N) Bamako Water Supply Project - Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 11 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Mauritania

#### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Mauritania Sustainable Landscape Management Project under the SAWAP:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to strengthen sustainable landscape management in targeted productive ecosystems in Mauritania. Approval completed on 4 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P144183. US\$ 4.8 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Energy and mining

**MR-Banda Gas to Power Guarantee:** The gas to power project will use natural gas discovered offshore for a power station to be built near Nouackchott. The power will be sold to SOMELEC in Mauritania, Senelec in Senegal and EDM in Mali using the existing OMVS regional grid Approval completed on 29 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P107940. US\$ 130.0 (GUID). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Energy Tel: (222-46) 431-537, E-mail: kane@acces.mr, kane@hydraulique.gov.mr, Contact: Mamadou Amadou Kane, Directeur General de l'Electricite.

#### Health and other social services

**Health Nutrition and Population:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 10 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 10.0/3.0 (IDA Credit/TF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Industry and trade

**(R) Nouadhibou Eco-Seafood Cluster Project:** The proposed development objective is to reduce barriers to investment and to strengthen the capacity of Nouadhibou Free Zone to deliver a competitive fishery cluster. First, the project will support the development of a competitive fishery cluster in Nouadhibou to realize the potential of selected industries and to create sustainable jobs. It will also promote public-private partnership (PPP) transactions in Mauritania, in particular the financing of commercial viability studies for Nouadhibou Free Zone (fishery cluster, airport, deep-sea port). Second, the project aims to improve the investment climate and regulatory business environment in Mauritania as a whole, in particular through institutional technical assistance, public-private dialogue revamping, modernization of the legal and regulatory framework, simplification of administrative procedures and the creation of Alternative Dispute Resolution mechanisms. Identification completed on 2 June 2014. *Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 10.8 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Mauritania Public Sector Governance Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 16 September 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 11.1 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Mozambique

## Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

Aquaculture and Climate Change Project (AquaCC): In the Western Indian Ocean, exemplified by Mozambique, coastal communities are at risk from the effects of climate change. Changes in ocean temperature and acidification influence marine species distribution, which in turn often reduce productivity and affect aquaculture potential. Recent viral events into

the nascent aquaculture sector, although not directly linked to climate change, illustrate potential impact on coastal and national economies. Large aquaculture farming operators demonstrate resilience to these events and are actively modifying their production systems and introducing adaptive strategies. These operators are inclined to develop their activities along three new axes: (i) divide the operational risks with other stakeholders along the value chain; (ii) diversify the cultivated species and their sources of products; (iii) develop new production sites instead of concentrating in the same location. Such strategies also represent opportunities for improving resilience to, adaptation to and mitigation of climate change effects and engagement of Small and Medium Entrepreneurs (SME) into aquaculture. For this purpose the project would explore new production models that will (i) promote public - private partnership and collaboration between large scale aquaculture operators and SMEs, in an outgrower scheme (aka satellite farming); and (ii) explore potential for alternative production systems including for "carbon sink" species such as bivalves and seaweeds. Identification completed on 10 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 5.1 (AFCC). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Education

Additional Financing for Mozambique Higher Education Science and Technology Project: The objectives of the Project are to: (a) increase the number and raise the quality of graduates at the undergraduate and graduate levels; (b) strengthen the national research capacities to produce research outputs of relevance to the Recipient's strategic economic sectors; and (c) strengthen the institutional framework for TVET. Approval completed on 28 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146602. US\$ 45.0 (IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**MZ- AF to Education Sector Support Project:** The objective is to assist the Government to: (a) pilot various types of community-based ECD interventions; (b) include provision of nutrition services for pregnant mothers and young children; and (c) create an ECD unit within the Ministry of Education. Approval completed on 1 May 2012. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P124729. US\$ 40.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Government of Mozambique Tel: (258-21) 480-700, Contact: HE Said Baragoita, Minister.

#### Energy and mining

**(N) Mozambique Energy Service and Sustainability Improvement Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Industry and trade

**Moz Agriculture and Natural Resources Landscape Management Project:** This proposed project development objective is to increase market production of agriculture and forest products by rural communities, and to reduce net deforestation in project areas. Concept completed on 24 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149620. US\$ 40.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Transportation

**(N) Integrated Feeder Road Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**MZ-Additional Financing for Roads and Bridges Management and Maintenance Program - Ph-2 (AF3):** The project development objective of this phase of the APL is to improve access of the population to all-season roads through maintenance, rehabilitation and upgrading of the classified road network. Approval completed on 31 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150956. US\$ 73.6 (IDA Credit). No consultants are required. ROAD FUND (Fundo de Estradas) Tel: 258-21-305589, E-mail: cgrachane@fe.gov.mz, Contact: Cecilio Granchane, Chairman; National Road Administration (ANE) Tel: 258843244200, E-mail: amugunhe@ane.gov.mz, Contact: Atanasio Mugunhe, Director General.

### Water, sanitation and flood protection

Cities and Climate Change PPCR AF: The proposed Additional Financing (AF) is one of the pilot investments expected

to be financed by the Pilot Project for Climate Resilience (PPCR). These pilots aim at to reduce current and future weather induced impacts on poor population and on Mozambique's fragile economy. This specific pilot will support green infrastructure investments in the City of Beira aiming at protecting existing natural drainages courses to increase the city resilience to floods. Approval completed on 23 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146059. US\$ 6.5/9.3 (CSCC/CSCF). Consulting services to be determined. Administration for Water Supply and Sanitation Infrastructure (AIAS).

## Water Service & Institutional Support II: (i) Increase water service coverage in key cities; and

(ii) Strengthen institutional capacity and regulatory frameworks for water supply services in the Regional water utilities in the North and Central Regions of Mozambique. Concept completed on 26 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149377. US\$ 92.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Water Supply Investment Fund (FIPAG) Tel: (258-21) 491-529, E-mail: fipag@co.mz; Water Regulatory Council (CRA) Tel: (258-21) 312-825.

# Niger

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Climate Smart Agriculture Support Project:** 19. The proposed development objective is to increase agricultural productivity and enhance drought resilience of agro-pastoral systems in the targeted communities and households in Niger. Concept completed on 25 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153420. US\$ 111.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

**(R)** Electricity Access Expansion Project: The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to increase access to electricity. *Negotiations authorized on 23 October 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153743. US\$ 54.5/10.5 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Energy and Petrol Tel: 22790645556, E-mail: as.toune@live.fr, Contact: Alio Touné, Chief of Staff; Nigelec Tel: 22720722461, E-mail: arzikam@yahoo.fr, Contact: Mahamadou Arzika, Secrétaire Général.

# Finance

**Niger Investment Climate Support:** The objective is to improve critical elements of investment climate for the private sector and enhance competitiveness of SME in selected agriculture value chain. Approval completed on 19 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148839. US\$ 18.3 (AFRF). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Health and other social services

Adaptive Social Safety Nets Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 22 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 7.5/15.0/8.4 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant/ADPT). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Nigeria

# Education

**(N)** NIGERIA - Additional Financing - State Program Investment Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**NG Post - Basic Education and Skills Development Project:** The Project Development Objectives is to produce more and better qualified technical and vocational graduates, and higher quality and relevance for job requirement. Identification completed on 12 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Energy and mining

**NG-Electricity Transmission Project:** The project development objective is to improve the capacity and efficiency of the transmission network and increase electricity services. Concept completed on 16 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P146330. *US\$364.0 (IBRD)*. Consulting services to be determined. Transmission Company of Nigeria Tel: 2348093666208, E-mail: mkast@mts.net, Contact: Mr. Mack Kast, Managing Director/CEO.

Nigeria Power Sector Guarantees Project: Nigerian National Petroleum Corp. & Total Elf Petroleum Nigeria Ltd. Joint Venture - Independent Power Project at Obite - OML 58 Overall Project: 1. Capacity: 340 - 440 MW Combined Cycle Gas Turbines (CCGT). 2. Location: OML 58 (operated by the NNPC and TEPNG JV). 3. Fuel: Direct Gas supply from OML 58. 4. Grid export: 330 KV HV transmission line to Onitsha - to be built by PHCN. 5. Power Sale: 20 years PPA with PHCN. 6. Fiscal: AGFA Regime 7. Financing: NNPC/TEPNG/Banks 8. Securitization: Under discussion with the World Bank for a possible PRG to cover the payment risk of PHCN. Status of the IPP (as of July 2009): 1. Land has been acquired and secured at OML58 for the Independent Power Plant (IPP) and domestic gas upgrade projects. The on-site gas will be supplied to the IPP to generate electricity. 2. Construction work on OML58 gas upgrade project has already been started. 3. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the IPP project has been approved by the Federal Ministry of Environment 4. Commercial tendering for the Engineering, Procurement & Construction (EPC) contract is underway. 5. High Voltage (HV) transmission line project has been handed over to Power Holding Company of Nigeria (PHCN) in February 2009 (as per directives of the Government). 6. Agreement with PHCN on changes to the original development agreement are awaited. 7. Nigerian National Petroleum Corp & Total Elf Petroleum Nigeria Ltd. Joint Venture (NNPC/TEPNL JV) is awaiting PHCN to start work on the HV Line project (with information on investment decision; completion dates; etc) to enable it to reach financial close on the IPP. Development of IPP - next steps to the Final Investment Decision: 1. The development phase of the IPP is targeting Final Investment Decision (FID) date of Feb 2010. 2. EPC commercial offers have are being received in early September 2009. 3. Confirmation of the fiscal regime is needed from Federal Ministry of Finance 4. Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) tariff negotiations with NNPC and PHCN will start end of September 2009. NERC's approval of the tariff will be sought once the tariff has been negotiated. 5. Confirmation from PHCN of the FID and completion dates of the HV line are needed to set the respective dates for FID and completion date of the IPP. 6. IPP Partial Risk Guarantee (PRG) is expected to be secured by February 2010. 7. External financing is expected to be confirmed by February 2010. 8. Final investment decision (FID) by NNPC/TEPNG JV is expected by February 2010 - investment decision for the HV line must occur at the same time. Securitization Agreement: 1. A Partial Risk Guarantee (PRG) is proposed to secure the PPA payments from PHCN - to ensure IPP project bankability. 2. MIGA Guarantee to be considered to compensate in the event of early termination. Timeline for IPP: 1. Pre-Development phase: Interim Letter Agreement was signed on 26th January, 2007. 2. Development phase: A number of activities were conducted till July 2009, as follows: a. EPC request for offers. b. EPC Prices. c. EPC Award. d. HV Line transfer. e. PPA Tariff Negotiations, f. Discussions on Securization, g. Discussions with Banks, 3. FID Date of February 2010: Following milestones are expected to be achieved, subject to the achievement of financial close on the HV transmission line by PHCN: a. Signature PPA. b. Securization. c. Financing. 4. Construction phase: Construction activities are expected from March 2010 to December 2011. 5. Commissioning phase: Following timeline is expected, subject to the availability of HV line: a.First Gas Turbine Synchronization by December 2011. b. Second Gas Turbine Synchronization by February 2012. c. Commercial Operation Date (COD) by October 2012. 6. Signed PPA to be in force for 20 years beyond COD. Approval completed on 1 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P120207. US\$ 150.0/395.0 (GUAM/GUAR). Consultants will be required. Nigeria Bulk Electricity Trading Company Ltd Tel: (234-803) 685-6383, E-mail: rumundaka.wonodi@nbet.com.ng, Contact: Rumundaka Wonodi, Managing Director / CEO.

**Nigeria Electricity Sector Credit Facility (NESCREF):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 15 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category F. US\$500.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Nigeria Power Sector Guarantees Project II:** Objective to be Determined. Concept completed on 10 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P155000. US\$ 100.0/305.0 (CIF/GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Nigeria Electricity and Gas Improvement Project Additional Financing:** Additional financing to the Nigeria Electricity and gas improvement project to cover additional PRGs for Gas supply to government owned power plants, in particular the Sapele, Olorunsogo and Alaoji plants held by the NIGER DELTA POWER HOLDING COMPANY. The NDPHC is scheduled to commission power generation units in three of the NIPP plants at Sapele, Olorunsogo and Alaoji. The units to be commissioned will have a combined initial generation capacity of 575 MW. The 3 plants will have a final generation capacity of 1,974

MW upon completion. These plants urgently require executed Gas Sales Supply Agreements (GSAs) with prospective gas suppliers and IOCs who have emphasized the need for a payment guarantees to enter into long term supply agreements for the fuel deliveries. In accordance with World Bank PRG guidelines, the Federal Ministry of Finance on behalf of the Federal Government of Nigeria is required to nominate parties with whom the World Bank Gan enter into negotiations on PRGs. Therefore, I am writing to request that the World Bank extends the coverage of NEGIP to include NDPHC's NIPP plants and to nominate the NDPHC as a party with whom the World Bank can enter into formal negotiations on the potential provision of PRGs for the individual projects. Approval completed on 19 June 2012. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P126190. US\$ 200.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Power Holding Company of Nigeria Tel: (234-9) 413-6684, E-mail: maganiyu@nepapmu.org, Contact: Mansuru A. Ganiyu, Project Manager.

# Health and other social services

**Social Protection Project:** The proposed project development objective (PDO) is: to establish the building blocks of a national social safety net system for effectively targeting and delivering cash transfers to extreme poor and vulnerable households. Concept completed on 13 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P151488. US\$ 500.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Federal Ministry of Finance Tel: 234-803-726-4126, E-mail: kelechiohiri@gmail.com, Contact: Mr. Kelechi Ohiri, Social Protection Advisor.

**(N)** Community and Social Development AF-2: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B.* US\$ 75.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Industry and trade

**Staple Crop Processing Zones Support Project:** The Project development objective (PDO) is to increase market linkages for farmers and strengthen the institutional framework for inclusive public and private investment in selected agribusiness clusters.

The Project will contribute to the broader objectives of the FGN's SCPZ Program consisting of 'increasing food production and reducing the demand for imports, adding value through processing, reducing cost of doing business for processors, and attracting new investment to create jobs, especially in rural areas, and to drive the economy'. The expansion of the agribusinessfarmer linkage models under the SCPZ program through the right mix of public and private investments will ultimately, improve agricultural productivity, generate shared growth and substantially reduce poverty in rural areas. Concept completed on 14 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P148616. US\$ 100.0/15.0 (IDA Credit/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development Tel: 23408075005555, E-mail: todunlami@yahoo.com, Contact: Dr. Niyi Odunlami, Sr. Advisor/HMA.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**State Employment and Expenditure for Results Project:** The project has two major tasks: Youth employment and access to socio-economic services will support small public works and institutional strengthening to generate youth employment (2) carrying out of technical, vocational and agricultural training (3) carrying out community development subprojects through grants. The second task will support reforms of the public financial management systems, processes and institutions in the participating states. Approval completed on 31 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P133071. US\$ 100.0 (ECD). No consultants are required. Federal Ministry of Finance Tel: (234-9) 8336-6661, E-mail: turakibatta@hotmail.com; National Planning Commission.

**Nigeria Public Financial Management Reform and Performance Project:** The proposed IPF seeks to support the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to reform its public financial management systems, processes, and practices, and thus improve PFM outcomes in support of strengthened service delivery across key sectors of the economy. The project will build on the foundation established under the Economic Reform and Governance Project (which closed in June 2013) and will include not only cross-cutting PFM related reforms but also reforms specific to key priority sectors as may be identified by the Government. The task is part of the Bank's work program under the Nigeria CPS 2014-17. Identification completed on 20 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(N) Nigeria Youth Employment and Social Support AF:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Transportation

**(N)** Multi-Sectoral Crisis Recovery Project for North Eastern Nigeria: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 4 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Rwanda

#### Energy and mining

**Rwanda Electricity Sector Strengthening Project:** The Project Development Objective is to enhance the operational efficiency of the electricity utility and increase electricity access. Negotiations authorized on 12 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150634. US\$ 95.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**RW-Urban Development Project:** The project development objective is to support urban management for the delivery of basic services and to promote local economic development in selected urban centers. Concept completed on 13 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150844. US\$ 95.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Transportation

**(N) Rwanda Feeder Roads Development Project - Additional Finance:** The main rationale for the additional funds is to scale up the achievement of the original project and exceed the attainment of the original PDOs through a broader application of the program. The program will be expanded into additional five districts of Rwanda taking the overall program into 9-districts out of a total of 30 districts in Rwanda. Identification completed on 16 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category A.* US\$ 47.0 (SPF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Sao Tome and Principe

# Education

**STP Quality Education for All - AF:** The Development Objective of the proposed operation is to improve the system of inservice teacher training and to strengthen the management of human resources in the education sector in São Tomé and Príncipe. Approval completed on 27 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P150828. US\$ 3.5 (IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Education Tel: 2392223366, E-mail: bjesus.jorge@gmail.com, Contact: Jorge Bom Jesus, Minister.

#### Energy and mining

**STP Power Sector Recovery Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 10.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Senegal

**SN -Solar Energy Development thru IPPs:** In the spirit of 'Scaling up Solar' initiative developed by IFC, the Project will support Solar Energy Development in Senegal through IPPs selected competitively and transparently on the basis of the lowest

price per kWh. In order to attract interest from major international developers, minimize transaction costs and uncertainties with regard to contract negotiations and finance mobilization, the bidding package will include draft legal agreements (PPAs, and concession agreements) as well as a financing package (term sheet of loans, risk mitigation instruments including proposed Bank guarantee...). Identification completed on 8 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 20.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Senegal Banda Gas to Power Guarantee:** This PRG is linked to the Mauritania Gas to Power PRG, which is under preparation. The overall value of the PRG is estimated at \$104m for Mauritania, Senegal and Mali, of which the Senegal part would be approximately \$51m, to cover the share of gas payments to Tullow Oil corresponding to energy exports to Senelec. Approval completed on 29 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P145657. US\$ 99.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Senegal Taiba Ndiaye Independent Power Producer Project:** The project development objective is to increase electricity generation at a lower marginal cost through Independent Power Producer investments in Senegal. The immediate Project beneficiaries are current and prospective commercial and household electricity consumers --including the poor, women and girls, who face unreliable service due to supply limitations, high cost, and access constraints. Additional power generated by the project will help increase productivity and spur economic growth among these beneficiaries. The GoS is also a key beneficiary since the proposed IPP will save Senegal tens of millions of dollars in annual fuel costs alone by displacing the emergency diesel projects. The proposed IPPs would also reduce the need for more public resources for investment in power generation, enabling more funds to be deployed for poverty alleviation and other social needs. Approval completed on 19 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P143605. US\$ 40.0/92.0/28.0 (GUID/ZMUL/ZPCI). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**Adaptive Social Safety Net:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 5 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 11.0 (AFRH). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Industry and trade

**Senegal Growth and Export Development:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to develop exports and improve Senegal's investment climate. Concept completed on 10 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P146469. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Commerce, Informal Sector, Consumption and Promotion of Local Products Tel: 221777408330, E-mail: Makhtar.lakh@gmail.com, Contact: Mr. Makhtar Lakh, General Secretary.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Public Financial Management Strengthening Technical Assistance Project:** To enhance budget credibility, transparency and accountability mechanisms in the use and management of central Government financial resources.

The project aims to support the modernization of the Public Financial Management system and the implementation of a Public Sector performance based system in Senegal.

It includes five components: (1) Strengthening Fiscal Policies and Planning; (2) Improving Budget Execution and Reporting Processes; (3) Strengthening the Capacity of External Audit and Legislative Oversight; (4) Project Management; and (5) Supporting the Implementation of a Public Sector Performance-Based Management and Results Monitoring System. Approval completed on 31 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P146859. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. PFM Reform Secretary Tel: (221) 821-4587, E-mail: ctdiopmef@yahoo.fr, Contact: Cheikh Tidiane Diop, Coordinator.

**Senegal Decentralization Support Program:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 9 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 45.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Transportation

**Transport & Urban Mobility Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 27 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Dakar Bus Rapid Transit Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 5 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 70.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Senegal Urban Water and Sanitation Project:** The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve access to water and sanitation services in selected urban areas in a financially sustainable manner. Approval completed on 15 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150351. US\$ 70.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. PEPAM Tel: (221-33) 859-0499, E-mail: projeau@orange.sn.

Additional Financing - Stormwater Management and Climate Change Adaptation Project: To improve flood prevention management in peri-urban areas of Dakar and to promote city sustainability management practices, including climate resilience, in two selected urban areas Approval completed on 27 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P152150. US\$ 35.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Sierra Leone

#### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Smallholder Commercialization and Agribusiness Development Project:** The PDO is to increase productivity and improve commercialization of smallholder production systems through better integration in agriculture value chains. The project will be implemented through a commodity-based approach and it is expected that increased incomes will accrue to farmers who will be producing and supplying to selected agricultural commodity supply-chains through well-defined productive business relationships with selected agribusiness companies. The project will help the farming community to quickly recover from the effects of the Ebola epidemic through increased productivity, agricultural commodity sales and income.

The key indicators for the PDO level results include: (i) Increased productivity (yield/ha) and volume of sales (% compared to baseline); (ii) Number of farmers participating in business relationships with agribusiness companies; and (iii) Number of direct beneficiaries (of which % female). Identification completed on 18 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 40.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Education

**Tertiary Education Support Project:** Building on analytical work carried out in 2013, this project will support the strengthening of Sierra Leone's higher education system, focusing on improved service delivery, quality, governance, and access. Identification completed on 28 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Energy and mining

**SL: Western Area Power Generation Project:** In May 2014 the Government of Sierra Leone requested IDA for a guarantee for the proposed Western Area Power Generation Project (WAPGP) to be developed as an independent power producer selling to electricity the Electricity Distribution and Supply Authority (EDSA).

WAPGP is part of the Government's plan for private sector participation in the generation subsector to meet electricity demand. The Project is proposed as a 128 MW Heavy Fuel Oil (HFO) fired power plant to be located on an existing industrial site about 4 km outside Freetown. The Project is to be constructed in phases over three to four years, of which the first phase is 50MW. Identification completed on 12 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 40.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined. **Sierra Leone: AF to Energy Sector Utility Reform Project:** The Project Development Objective is to help meet electricity demand in the Western Area of Sierra Leone. Identification completed on 2 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Health and other social services

**Social Safety Nets Additional Financing:** The project development objective is to establish the key building blocks for a basic national safety net system and to provide income support to extremely poor households in Sierra Leone. Approval completed on 6 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P154454. US\$ 10.0/4.3 (IDA Grant/ERR). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R)** Health Service Delivery & System Support Project: The project development objective (PDO) of the Health Service Delivery and System Support Project is to increase the utilization and improve the quality of essential maternal and child health services in selected districts in the country.

Concretely, the project will support service delivery through the provision of various inputs including health systems strengthening actions particularly in human resources as well as several national interventions (such as DHMT capacity-building) which will be implemented in selected districts and expansion of piloted initiatives. The project will measure (i) health service delivery outcomes at the objective level and (ii) health systems strengthening outputs at the intermediate outcomes level as part of the Government's post Ebola recovery effort. Because achievement of measurable change in health systems development and health service delivery requires more time than envisaged by the project, PDO level indicators will necessarily be: (i) limited in scope to the 3 year implementation period of the project; (ii) linked to the specific support being provided; and (iii) measured by indicators that are intermediate-level or process oriented in nature. *Concept completed on 23 October 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153064. *US\$* 30.0/*5.0* (IDA Credit/*ERR*). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Second Youth Employment Support:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 19 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 10.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Sierra Leone: Youth Employment Support II:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 22 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 10.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Industry and trade

**SL-Growth Poles Project:** Using a spatial growth approach developed during the Sierra Leone growth poles diagnostic and adopted by the Government, the proposed Project aims at (i) strengthening the capacity of the Government to plan, coordinate and implement the growth poles program to leverage additional resources for private and public investment; (ii) financing a feasibility study for a deep sea port and supporting infrastructure that will facilitate export of mining resources within growth poles; and (iii) providing business development training and facilitating access to finance for local enterprises supply goods and services to large companies within the project area. Identification completed on 3 April 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**SL-Decentralized Service Delivery Program II** - **AF:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 29 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**Sierra Leone - Transport Infrastructure Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 19 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 0.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Resilient Cities Project:** The development objective of the proposed project is to increase access to and improve the quality and sustainability of urban infrastructure and services (Urban planning, transport, water, and sanitation) for residents of Freetown. The proposed project will aim to address immediate needs to improve the quality of urban services and improve livability of Freetown while strengthening the medium-term planning and coordination process for the metropolitan area. The project will therefore identify short-term needs that represent a bottleneck for transport, water and sanitation services within the context of a city-wide structure plan and FCC-led coordination process. These key pieces of infrastructure will address general service gaps while paying specific attention to 'last-mile' service delivery in the poorest areas of Freetown. Identification completed on 11 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined.

# Somalia

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Strengthening Pastoral and Agropastoral Resilience in Somalia:** The project will aim at enhancing resilience of pastoral and agro-pastoral communities in drought prone areas of Somalia. It will also facilitate the regional integration of the country by linking Somalia to the Inter-Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD)-coordinated initiative for ending drought emergency in the Horn of Africa. Identification completed on 27 November 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148943. US\$ 30.0 (MSC1). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Industry and trade

**Somali Core Economic Institutions and Opportunities Program (SCORE):** To enable access to markets and create jobs Identification completed on 22 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$ 28.5 (SOMP)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Somalia Local Development Projects Facility:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 7 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$ 6.0 (SOMP)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Somaliland Civil Service Reform Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 23 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 10.0 (SOMP). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**Somalia Urban Development Project:** The PDO for the project will be: "Improved urban infrastructure and urban financing systems in South-Central Somalia, Puntland and Somaliland". Concept completed on 16 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149306. US\$ 85.0 (SOMP). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Finance and Planning.

**Somali Urban Investment Planning:** To provide (i) an assessment of the feasibility of, and preliminary plans for, selected urban investment and institutional strengthening activities in southern Somalia, Puntland and Somaliland, and (ii) enhanced project preparation and implementation capacity of participating agencies. Appraisal completed on 5 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150374. US\$ 6.0 (SOMP). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# South Africa

# Energy and mining

**South Africa Partnership for Market Readiness:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 26 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 5.0 (PMR). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Technical Assistance Project for Development Carbon Capture and Storage in SA:** The focus of the proposed project is the Pilot CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Project (PCSP). This component comprises an estimated 90 percent of the activities and funding of the entire project. A separate and stand-alone second component is the CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Pilot Plant (CCPP) project, which will not be a source of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for the storage project, but will create a platform for learning about and adapting the carbon dioxide capture technology to specific conditions in South Africa, and subsequently contributing to reducing the cost of the technology deployment. Both components are described separately throughout the Concept Note. While interlinked, in terms of covering the entire CCS technology chain, each component can be completed separately and independently.

#### THE SOUTH AFRICAN PILOT CO2 STORAGE PROJECT (PCSP)

The Pilot CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Project (PCSP) constitutes the next critical phase of CCS development in South Africa (Phase III in the Roadmap). The PCSP will be the proof of concept for CCS in South Africa and an essential step for the prospective full-scale integrated CCS demonstration scheduled under the Roadmap. The PCSP involves the injection, storage and monitoring of 10,000 - 50,000 tones of CO<sub>2</sub> under South African conditions.

The selection of a suitable geological site for the PCSP will be a critical decision in the CCS Roadmap. The choice will be determined by the requisite capacity, injectivity and containment as determined by internationally acceptable methods and standards. Other factors that will weigh heavily in the selection include cost, environmental impacts and public support/acceptance.

The cost factor determines that the PCSP be preferably undertaken on-shore and in a conventional CCS storage formation (such as a depleted oil/gas field or a deep saline formation]. Accordingly, two on-shore basins present themselves as potential sites, namely the Zululand Basin and the Algoa Basin.

In respect of the above considerations, the PCSP has the following primary objectives:

1.Demonstrate the safe and secure CO2 handling, injection, storage and monitoring in South African conditions, in particular South African geology;

2. Increase the South African human and technical capacity for the development and operation of CO2 handling, injection, storage and monitoring;

3. Raise awareness of the potential importance of CCS to the South African public;

4.Work with government to ensure that the development and operation of the PCSP can occur within the South African legal and regulatory environment.

5.Obtain an indicative measure of CCS costs in South Africa. Identification completed on 31 March 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 23.4 (CARB). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Finance

**Land Bank Financial Intermediation Loan:** The project's development objective is to sustainably scale up Land Bank's wholesale financing, specifically to benefit emerging farmers. Negotiations authorized on 29 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P150008. US\$110.0 (IBRD). No consultants are required. Land Bank Tel: 27-86211-4745, E-mail: lserithi@landbank.co.za, Contact: Lebogang Serithi, Chief Financial Officer.

# South Sudan

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**South Sudan Agriculture Development and Food Security Project:** he project seeks to revitalize the agriculture sector in South Sudan through capacity building, institutional strengthening and technology dissemination. Tentatively, its PDO is to enhance the production of major staple crops and increase farmer's income Identification completed on 20 December 2011. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 50.0/15.0 (IDA Grant/IFAD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

**South Sudan Energy Sector Technical Assistance Project:** The project development objective (PDO) is to strengthen the capacity of the Recipient for improved energy sector planning and management supporting access enhancement. Negotiations authorized on 17 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145581. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Electricity, Dams, Irrigation and Water Resources Tel: (211-95) 720-0111, E-mail: knunu\_2000@yahoo.com, Contact: H.E Jemma Nunu Kumba, Minister.

#### Health and other social services

**Urban Livelihood Project (ULP):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 27 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**South Sudan Health Rapid Results Project AF:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 30 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**South Sudan Health Rapid Results AF:** The additional financing to Rapid Results Health Project will ensure continuity of high impact primary health care services in Upper Nile and Jonglei States of South Sudan. The project development objectives (PDOs) are: (i) to improve the delivery of high impact primary health care services in Recipient's states of Jonglei and Upper Nile; and (ii) to strengthen coordination and monitoring and evaluation capacities of the Ministry of Health. The additional financing will provide support to the two original components: i) Component 1 will support Delivery of high impact Primary Health Care services; ii) Component 2 will strengthen capacity of MOH at the national level. The project will also support performance based contracting, exact details of the amounts to be financed from the HRITF (possibly for amounts up to US\$15 million) are still being discussed. Approval completed on 13 March 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146413. US\$ 10.0/25.0 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). No consultants are required.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Institutional Development and Capacity Building Project:** To improve selected government systems and capabilities with respect to human resource management and public financial management in target ministries and agencies. Negotiations authorized on 22 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P143975. US\$ 40.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Labor, Public Service and HRD Tel: 211956324250, E-mail: angethdedut@yahoo.co.uk, Contact: Ms. Angeth Acol de Dut Acol de Dut, Undersecretary, Public Service.

# Transportation

**South Sudan Rural Road Project - First Additional Finance:** To enhance all season road connectivity to agricultural services for rural communities in high agricultural potential areas. Identification completed on 16 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Transport, Roads and Bridges Tel: (249-957) 102-093, E-mail: alamjj2@yahoo.co.uk, Contact: James Alam, Chief Engineer Roads.

# Swaziland

# Industry and trade

**Swaziland Private Sector Competitiveness:** The development objective is: to support an improved investment climate and strengthen competitiveness of firms, especially in the agribusiness and tourism sectors. Negotiations authorized on 7 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151433. US\$25.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Economic Planning and Development Tel: 26876063232, E-mail: colin@mepd-acms.org, Contact: Vusie Dlamini, Head of ACMS.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**IMPROVING PUBLIC SECTOR PERFORMANCE PROJECT:** To improve public financial management and performance management in selected ministries in Swaziland Concept completed on 22 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P152528. US\$25.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Tanzania

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Southern Agricultural Growth Corridor of Tanzania Investment Project:** The objective is to support increased access to finance for SMEs in the SACGOT area and explore innovative financing instruments to finance SMEs in agribusiness, which could include venture capital support, collateralization through warehouse receipts, and charter banks. Concept completed on 4 May 2011. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P125728. US\$ 70.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Finance Tel: (255-22) 211-1174, Contact: Ramadhani M. Khijjah, Permanent Secretary.

Tanzania: Resilient Natural Resource Management for Growth: The Government of Tanzania has requested support to address challenges in multi-sectoral water resources development to accelerate and sustain growth and alleviate poverty. The Bank is exploring support through a long-term programmatic approach that begins by supporting the development of a more multi-sectoral approach to what has traditionally been a "siloed" approach to water resources management. The context is that there is a need to effectively manage existing and evolving water-related problems cannot be done with a business-asusual approach (e.g. poverty & growth needs, climate risks). The focus on "Big Results Now" in Tanzania are not possible in a timely, effective, and sustainable manner without water-related agencies working closer together (e.g. for agricultural investments, managing inter-sectoral conflicts). There is also a need for substantial institutional modernization of water-related offices given level of challenges, state-of-the-art globally, and upcoming loss of significant skills due to retirement of ageing skilled staff in water-related institutions. The proposed activities will focus on major areas: A. Support for Information & Institutional Modernization - Inter-sectoral Team for Analytical services - Water-related Office Modernization (incl. computerization, Operational Centers, Internships) - Integrated Water Resources Monitoring System & Enhanced Access (meteorology, hydrology, water quality, groundwater, earth observation integration, information integration, analysis, and outreach/public access) B. Support for Targeted Investment Planning and Implementation - Targeted Basins (e.g. Great Ruaha, Usangu Plains) to improve on-the-ground water management - Targeted Instruments (e.g. PES) and Issues (e.g. Forecasting) - Targeted Investment Preparation Identification completed on 12 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Private Sector Competitiveness Project Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 27 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 60.2 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Regional Administration and Local Government (PMO-RALG) Tel: (255-22) 724-951, E-mail: ps@pmo.go.tz, Contact: Chandanie Wijayawardene, Director General.

**Tanzania: Second Agricultural Sector Development Project-BRN Support:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 7 November 2011. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 220.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Education

**TZ-Zanzibar Improving Student Prospects Project:** The proposed PDO is to: improve the future economic prospects of students in the school system. Improved future economic prospects will be measured by: improved transition to advanced secondary and improved labor market relevance of school education. Concept completed on 27 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153277. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Energy and mining

**TZ Sustainable Management of Mineral Resources:** To strengthen the Governments capacity to manage the mineral sector to improve the socioeconomic impacts of large and small-scale mining for Tanzania and Tanzanians and enhance private local and foreign investment. Approval completed on 7 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151124. US\$ 45.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**TZ-Rural Electrification Expansion Project:** The proposed project will assist the Government of Tanzania in expanding rural electrification through provision of on-grid and off-grid connections. The proposed Project Development Objectives are (i) to increase significantly the number of rural electricity connections to households, businesses and other facilities, and (ii) to scale-up renewable energies in the generation of electricity.

Increasing access to and reliability of power supply is at the center of industry competitiveness and job creation, one of two core clusters of the CAS. Providing access to electricity removes the key infrastructure gap for many rural businesses and enhances their productivity, especially in the agricultural sector, Tanzania's rural population largely depends on. Identification completed on 26 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 160.0/25.0 (IDA Credit/CIF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**TZ Guarantees for Power Sector Gas Supply Expansion:** The proposed operation consists of providing credit enhancement mechanisms to address the low credit worthiness of the natural gas production and supply, and power sectors in Tanzania. The proposed operation will enabling the development and expansion of natural gas fields by private developers in several locations, and independent power generation activities. The proposed instrument will be a series of Partial Risks Guarantees (PRGs) back-stopping liquidity payments under Gas Supply Agreements (GSA) and Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) entered between private sector developers and the Tanzania Petroleum Development Corporation (TPDC) and/or Tanzania Electric Supply Company Limited (TANESCO). Identification completed on 25 October 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 200.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Finance Tel: (255-22) 211-9190, E-mail: sblikwelile@yahoo.com, Contact: Dr. Servacius B. Likwelile, Executive Director.

Add. Financing for Tanzania Energy Development & Access Expansion Proj: Additional Financing for Tanzania Energy Development & Access Expansion Project (TEDAP) to cover cost overruns in Components A and C (Transmission and Distribution). The Project contributes to Tanzania's Poverty Reduction Strategy MUKUTAII, especially Goals 2 ("Reducing income poverty through promoting inclusive, sustainable, and employment-enhancing growth") by extending access to energy services and improving the service quality in key growths areas. The Project is also fully in line with the current Country Assistance Strategy (CAS) and supports the achievement of the Bank's twin goals, reducing poverty and boosting shared prosperity.

The PDO remains unchanged and are as follows: i) to improve the quality and efficiency of the electricity service provision in the main growth centers in Dar es Salaam, Arusha and Kilimanjaro; and (ii) to establish a sustainable basis for energy access expansion and renewable energy development in Tanzania. The project's global environmental objective is to abate greenhouse gas emissions through the use of renewable energy in rural areas to provide electricity. Identification completed on 25 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 25.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Tanzania Singida Wind Power Project:** The Government of Tanzania (GOT) intends to develop the 100MW Singida Wind Project in Northern Tanzania in form of a Public Private Partnership. The current lead investor of this Project is a consortium of private local firms and Aldwych International PLC, of the UK ("Wind EA"). Wind EA intends to conclude a 25 year Power Purchase Agreement with the state owned utility TANESCO. The Project encompasses the construction and operation of a 100MW Windpark east of the town of Singida. Financing of this power generation project is expected to be through private sponsors' equity contributions (about 20% of Project costs) and commercial/multilateral debt facilities. GOT has requested

the World Ban (IDA) to support the financing of the project with a Partial Risk Guarantee (PRG) that would cover commercial lenders to the project. The IDA has offered already the financing of a Transaction Adviser to TANESCO under an existing IDA project and it is expected that TANESCO will select and contract an adviser in the coming months, before TANESCO and the GOT start negotiating major Project Agreements for this project. This project is currently expected to be structured and prepared in 2011/2012 and could reach financial close in Bank FY 2013. If built, this project would be the first major Wind generation facility in Tanzania and one of the largest facilities in East Africa. Concept completed on 7 July 2011. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P126432. US\$ 100.0/200.0 (GUID/ZPCI). Consultants will be required. Wind EA, Contact: Mark Gammons

# Finance

**Housing Finance Project:** The revised PDO is as follows: To facilitate the development of the housing finance market through the provision of medium and long-term liquidity to lenders. Approval completed on 24 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 60.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. BANK OF TANZANIA Tel: 255022235583, E-mail: avmkenda@bot.go.tz, Contact: Albert Mkenda, Program Manager (PIU).

#### Health and other social services

**TZ-PSSN Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 27 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Citizen-Centric Judicial Modernization and Justice Service Delivery:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 19 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$ 65.0 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**Dar es Salaam Urban Transport Improvement Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 14 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Dar es Salaam Maritime Gateway Project: (a)The Program Objective and Indicators

The Program Objective. The program objective of the Dar es Salaam Maritime Gateway Program (DESMGP) is to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the Port of Dar es Salaam and the access and egress of port traffic, for the benefit of all public and private stakeholders.

This Program Objective will be realized through a sequential improvement in spatial and operating efficiency, institutional capacity and reform, and infrastructure enhancements both in the port of Dar es Salaam, and its immediate hinterland. The proposed program will double the capacity of the port to 28 million ton by 2020 in the first phase and triple it to 34 million tons by 2025 in the second phase. The total cost of the proposed program (Phase 1 and 2) is envisaged to be US\$750 million, excluding the complementary private investment in the port.

The Program Level Indicators. Progress towards the attainment of the program objective will be assessed through the following program indicators:

- (i). Enhanced spatial and operational efficiency;
- (ii). Increased capacity in the port;
- (iii). Greater private sector participation in service provision; and
- (iv). Increased capacity in key access infrastructure.

The partners in the program. The proposed program is a partnership between the Government of Tanzania, the Tanzania Ports Authority, other public and private stakeholders, and a coalition of development partners including the Trademark East Africa (TMEA), the United Kingdom Department for International Development (DFID) and the World Bank (WB).

(b)The Project Development Objective (PDO)

The Project Development Objective for Phase 1 of the Dar es Salaam Maritime Gateway Program (DESMGP) is to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the Port of Dar es Salaam through defined interventions to reduce the wait time for vessels accessing the port, facilitate the berthing of larger capacity vessels, support greater private sector participation, and improve the management of the port, for the benefit of all public and private stakeholders.

In the first phase, this PDO will realized by the following three components, which directly reflect the identified priorities for the port sector in the BRN: (i) Component 1: Improving the Physical Infrastructure (Estimated cost US\$ 400 million). Component 2: Improving the Operational and Spatial Efficiency (Estimated cost US\$35 million). Component 3: Institutional Strengthening and Implementation Assistance (Estimated cost US\$30 million). Concept completed on 18 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P150496. *US\$650.0*/30.0 (*IBRD/DFID*). Consultants will be required. Tanzania Ports Authority Tel: (255-22) 211-6250, E-mail: dg@tanzaniaports.com.

**Tanzania Strategic Cities Project AF:** The Government of the Tanzania (GoT) has asked for Additional Financing (AF) under OP/BP 10.00 in the amount of US\$80 million to the Tanzania Strategic Cities Project. The requested additional support is needed to scale up the project's investments. The original project has been under satisfactory implementation since 2011.

The additional financing is sought to finance the following three board types of investments: (i) Enhancements to the functionality and sustainability of the works completed and ongoing under the current project, such as drainage/pedestrian amenities and additional land-fill cells and solid waste equipment. (ii) Investments -mainly urban roads and some storm drainsfrom the 'long-list' that were originally prepared and screened during original project appraisal in FY2010/11, but not included in the project due to limited IDA availability. (iii) Newly identified sub-projects which are also mostly urban roads and two new land-fills. Approval completed on 29 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148974. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Prime Minister's Office - Regional Administration and Local Government Tel: (255-26) 232-1908/2848, E-mail: NA, Contact: Chandanie Wijayawardene, Director General.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Zanzibar Urban Services Project Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 20 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 45.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Tanzania Water Sector Support Project - Additional Financing:** The Additional finance will contribute to the country's water sector development program (WSDP) achieve its first phase target of providing access to the originally planned beneficiaries of 10 villages per local Government Administration (LGAs). This target was down sized during restructuring of the project due to shortage of funding. Given the increased attention given to the Rural water supply in governments recent initiative of Big Result Now (BRN), the AF will be a timely response to assist government achieve its objective. It will also be uninterrupted continuation of the Bank support during the transition from phase I to Phase II of the program. The AF will finance RWS schemes and completion works in urban component while at the same time provide program management assistance to Government's effort to streamline the new BRN initiative with the WSDP arrangement. It is expected that development partners such as the DFID will join the initiative. It is also envisaged that preparation of the Additional financing. Approval completed on 16 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P146700. US\$ 44.9/13.0/15.0 (IDA Credit/DFID/KFW). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Water Tel: (255-22) 245-1530, E-mail: b.psmw@mowi.go.tz, Contact: EgR. Bashir J. Mrindoko, Permanent Secretary.

**Second Water Sector Support Project:** The overall WSDP II program Development Objective is "Improving integrated water resources management by strengthening water sector institutions and increasing access to water supply and sanitation services".

The Project Development Objective is to strengthen integrated water resources management in Tanzania to support productive sectors ; and improve water supply service delivery in urban areas of Tanzania. Concept completed on 17 February 2015.

Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P150361. US\$ 225.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Water Tel: 255767361574, E-mail: mfutakamba27@yahoo.com, Contact: Eng. Mbogo Futakamba, Permanent Secretary.

# Togo

# Energy and mining

**Togo: Mining Governance and Development Project Preparation - Phase I:** The Project Development Objective is to streamline the institutional arrangements of key organizations in the extractive industries strengthen their efficiency and accountability for effective management of the sector. Negotiations authorized on 18 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149277. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Mines and Energy Tel: 22282220, E-mail: minesenergie@yahoo.fr, Contact: Dammipi Noupokou, Minister of Mines.

# Health and other social services

**Togo Youth Employment Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 19 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Togo Safety Nets and Basic Services Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 19 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Community Development and Safety Nets Project Additional Financing:** The proposed Project Development Objective is to provide poor communities with greater access to basic socio-economic infrastructures and social safety nets. Approval completed on 7 March 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146598. US\$ 12.1 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Technical Secretariat of the Community Development and Safety Nets Project Tel: (228) 220-7597, E-mail: pdctogo@yahoo.fr, Contact: Yawavi Agboka-Abalo, Coordonatrice du Secretariat Technique.

## Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**(N)** Economic Governance Technical Assistance: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 4 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category C.* US\$ 10.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Emergency Infrastructure Rehabilitation & Energy Project - Additional Financing:** The objectives are to: (a) increase access to infrastructure and urban services in Lome; and (b) support the Government's efforts to demonstrate concrete improvements in the lives of its citizens, a critical step for sustaining social and political stability in the country. Approval completed on 4 June 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 14.0 (IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Agence deExecution des Travaux Urbains (AGETUR) Tel: (229) 313-645, E-mail: agetur@intnet.bj, Contact: Yuba Raj Pandey, Vice Chairman.

# Uganda

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Agriculture Cluster Development Project:** The development objective is to raise on-farm productivity, production, and marketable volumes of selected agricultural commodities in specified geographic clusters. Approval completed on 9 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145037. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Agriculture Animal Husbandry and Fisheries Tel: 256772589642, E-mail: dcr@agriculture.go.ug, Contact: Mr. Opolot Okaasai, Director Crop Resources.

**Uganda Multisectoral Food Security and Nutrition Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to increase production and consumption of micronutrient-rich foods and utilization of community-based nutrition services in smallholder households in project areas. Approval completed on 7 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 27.6

(GAFS). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry & Fisheries Tel: 256414320004, E-mail: ps@agriculture.go.ug, Contact: Mr. Vincent Rubarema, Permanent Secretary.

#### Education

**Uganda Secondary Education Improvement Project:** This is a follow on operation to the first Uganda Post-Primary Education and Training (UPPET) APL approved in 2009 and due to close at the end of June 2014. The development objectives of UPPET 1 were to : (a) improve access to post-primary education, (b) improve the quality of post-primary education and training; and (c) improve efficiency in the delivery of post- primary education.

The second phase will build and expand on the successes of the first phase and focus on (i) strengthening public private partnerships to improve access to and quality in Universal Secondary Education (USE) provision; (ii) enhancing teacher effectiveness including improving teacher competencies, improved accountability and motivation at the post-primary level; and (iii) strengthening math and science education at the post primary level. Identification completed on 8 November 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Skills Development Project:** The project development objective is to enhance the capacity of institutions to deliver high quality, demand-driven training programs in target sectors. Approval completed on 22 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145309. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Education and Sports Tel: 256-41-425-7038, E-mail: nassalilukwago@education.go.ug/permasec@education.go.ug, Contact: Rose Nassali Lukwago, Permanent Secretary; Ministry for Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries Tel: 256-41-432-0004, E-mail: psmaaif@infocom.co.ug, Contact: Vincent Rubarema, Permanent Secretary.

#### Energy and mining

**UG GEF Energy for Rural Transformation III:** The Global Environmental Objective is to increase access to electricity in rural areas of Uganda and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Approval completed on 5 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 8.2 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**IDA Guarantee for Renewable Energy Development Program:** The project will provide for amongst others counterpart risk guarantee to cover the payment risk from Uganda Electricity Transmission Company Approval completed on 18 March 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P133318. US\$ 160.0 (GUID). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development Tel: (256-41) 434-9342, E-mail: info@energy.go.ug, Contact: Hon. Irene Muloni, Minister.

**Uganda Grid Expansion and Reinforcement Project (GERP):** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to increase transmission capacity of Uganda interconnected system. Concept completed on 11 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P133305. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development Tel: (256-41) 434-9342, E-mail: info@energy.go.ug, Contact: Hon. Irene Muloni, Minister.

**Uganda Energy for Rural Transformation III:** The Project Development is to increase access to electricity in rural areas of Uganda. Approval completed on 5 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P133312. US\$ 135.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development Tel: 256-41-233331, E-mail: gturyahikayo@rea.or.ug, Contact: Mr. Godfrey Turyahikayo, Executive Director.

#### Health and other social services

**Uganda Reproductive, Maternal and Child Health Services Improvement Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 19 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 110.0/40.0 (IDA Credit/HRBF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Third Northern Uganda Social Action Fund (NUSAF 3):** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is "to provide effective income support to and build the resilience of poor and vulnerable households in Northern Uganda." Approval completed on 27 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149965. US\$ 130.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Office of the Prime Minister.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**(R) UG Governance and accountability:** Lending TA to support continuing modernization of PFM, PIM and Procurement systems as well as Public Sector Management system. *Identification completed on 23 June 2014*. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Transportation

**Uganda Oil Transport Infrastructure Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 28 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Zambia

#### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

Zambia Integrated Forest Landscape Project (GEF): Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 8.3 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Energy and mining

Zambia - Mining and Environmental Remediation and Improvement Project: Improve the capacity of the Government of Zambia to: i) address environmental health risks to affected local population, and liabilities associated with the mining sector operations, particularly in Kabwe area; and ii) improve environmental governance in the mining sector through improved monitoring and public disclosure of environmental health information.

These objectives will be achieved through:

i) Establishing a mechanism to identify, finance, implement and monitor feasible environmental and social measures for prioritized contaminated areas; and

ii) Strengthening the regulatory and institutional capacity of ZEMA to improve environmental management in the mining sector.

iii) Improving job opportunity for affected people, particularly Women through collaborative partnership with private sector mining companies and neighboring communities. Identification completed on 24 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**Girls Education and Women Empowerment and Livelihood Project:** The project development objective is to support the Government of Zambia to increase access to livelihood support for women and access to secondary education for disadvantaged adolescent girls in extremely poor households in selected districts. Approval completed on 22 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P151451. US\$ 65.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Community Development Mother and Child Health (MCDMCH) Tel: 260211235341, E-mail: echomba@zamnet.zm, Contact: Prof. E. Chomba, Permanent Secretary; Ministry of Gender and Child Development (MGCD) Tel: 260211230031, E-mail: daisy.ngambi@gmail.com, Contact: Victor Mbumwae, Director, Planning; Ministry of Education, Science, Vocational Training, and Early Education Tel: 260977798024, E-mail: ngonyamwaanga@yahoo.com, Contact: Ms. Ngonya H. Miyoba, Ag. Chief Education Officer.

#### Industry and trade

**Zambia Economic Diversification Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 30 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Lusaka Sanitation Project:** The Project Development Objective it to increase access to sanitation services in selected areas of Lusaka and strengthen LWSC's capacity to manage sanitation services. Approval completed on 22 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149091. US\$ 65.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Lusaka Water and Sewerage Company Tel: 260211251712, E-mail: gndongwe@lwsc.com.zm, Contact: Mr. George Ndongwe, Managing Director.

# Zimbabwe

# Finance

**Public Financial Mgmt Enhancement Project:** The Project development objective (PDO) is to improve control, transparency and accountability, and oversight in the use of public resource in Zimbabwe. The Project will contribute to enhancing fiscal discipline, strategic allocation of resources, and service delivery efficiency, through strengthened systems, procedures and targeted capacity-building. Appraisal completed on 7 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P152932. US\$ 20.8 (ZIMR). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**(R)** Zimbabwe Health Sector Development Support Project AF II: The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to increase coverage of key maternal and child health interventions in targeted rural and urban districts consistent with the Recipient's ongoing health initiatives. *Appraisal completed on 13 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P156879. US\$ 10.0 (HRBF). *Consultants will be required.* Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Water, sanitation and flood protection

**(R)** Zimbabwe National Water Project: The proposed project development objective is to improve access and efficiency in water services in selected growth centers and to strengthen planning and regulation capacity for the water and sanitation sector. *Negotiations authorized on 6 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154861. US\$ 20.0 (ZIMR). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Regional

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa MDTF - Additional Financing:** This is a request for an extension of and additional financing for the ongoing Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA) Multi-Donor Trust Fund (MDTF) (P1126840/TF071192). It is currently financed by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), UK's Department for International Development (DfID); the European Commission (EC); and The Netherlands, and managed by the Agriculture, Rural Development and Irrigation unit (AFTA2). FARA has been operating on a 10-year Strategic Plan (2007-2016) developed to add value to the support provided by the sub-regional organizations (SROs) to strengthen African National Agricultural Research Systems (NARS). The strategy was designed to be implemented in 2 five year phases with corresponding Medium Term Operational Plans (MTOPs) which detail implementation of the strategy. Due to delays in obtaining donor funding under the original MDTF, the Strategic Plan period was adjusted to cover the period 2009-2018. The FARA MDTF was established at the World Bank in 2009 to support the first phase of the strategic plan, MTOP I (2009-2013). It has been under implementation for the past three and a half years and implementation has been satisfactory. It is scheduled to close on December 31, 2013. Several of the MDTF participating donors are in favor of and have recommended a 5-year extension of the MDTF (in line with the Bank's revised guidelines on extension of closing dates, April 2013) to support a smooth transition to FARA's second MTOP (2014-2018). The associated proposed Additional Financing would support implementation of MTOP

II. Initial confirmed funding to launch implementation has already been secured from one donor. Approval completed on 13 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 20.0 (CDP4). Consulting services to be determined. Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA) Tel: (233-302) 772-823, E-mail: yakinbamijo@fara-africa.org, Contact: Dr. Yemi Akinbamijo, Executive Director.

(N) Third South West Indian Ocean Fisheries Governance and Shared Growth Project (SWIOFish3): Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$ 19.0 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**West Africa Agricultural Productivity Program (WAAPP - 1D):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 31 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 45.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Third South West Indian Ocean Fisheries Governance and Shared Growth Project (SWIOFish3):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 4 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US*\$5.0/4.0/19.0 (IBRD/*IDA Credit/GFIA*). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Second South West Indian Ocean Fisheries Governance and Shared Growth Project:** To improve the management effectiveness of selected priority fisheries at regional, national and community level. Identification completed on 13 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 67.0/20.0 (IDA Credit/GFCO). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**AFCC2/RI-Regional Pastoral Livelihoods Resilience Project - South-Sudan:** The proposed additional credit would help finance the costs associated with scaling up and expanding the project's scope to enhance its impact by including pastoralists and agro-pastoralists residing in South-Sudan as its project beneficiaries.

The Project Development Objective (PDO) and project components under the AF will remain the same as in the two first phase of the RPLRP. The proposed AF will expand target intervention areas to include well-defined geographic areas within the Arid and Semi-Arid Lands (ASALs) of South-Sudan. Identification completed on 29 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Resilient Landscapes for Development Program in Eastern & HoA:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 8 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 80.0/65.0/440.0 (IDA Credit/GFIA/MSC1). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**AFCC2/RI-Regional Pastoral Livelihoods Resilience:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to enhance livelihood resilience of pastoral and agro-pastoral communities in cross-border drought prone areas of selected countries and to improve the capacity of the selected countries' governments to respond promptly and effectively to an eligible crisis or emergency. This second phase prepared through an Additional Financing aims at including Ethiopia in the project, as it has participated in most of the preparation process, together with Kenya, Uganda and IGAD. The RPLRP offers an innovative, comprehensive, and flexible response to pastoralists' vulnerability to drought by delivering key regional public goods to enhance their livelihoods. Building on a high-level agreement, the RPLRP embodies the first attempt in the HoA to deliver country-specific outputs directly linked to region-driven goals. RPLRP innovation also applies to the use of the Information and Communication Technology (ICT). Whenever possible, the RPLRP will be implemented through a sustainable landscape approach along cross-border livestock routes and corridors. These routes and corridors will be central in targeting geographical cross-border clusters of sub-counties in Kenya and woredas in Ethiopia to deliver investments and services using this cross-border cluster approach. Selected clusters will receive a comprehensive package of investments and services. Approval completed on 21 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150006. US\$ 75.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Federal Ministry of Finance and Economic Tel: (251-9) 2771-8854, E-mail: faberra@mofed.gov.et, Contact: Fisseha Aberra, Director of International Financial Institutions.

Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research in East and Central Africa Multi Donor Trust Fund: This is a request for an extension of and additional financing for the ongoing Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research in Eastern and Central Africa (ASARECA) Multi-Donor Trust Fund (MDTF) (P112600/TF071104). It is currently financed by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), UK's Department for International Development (DfID); the European Commission (EC); and United States Agency for International Development (USAID), and managed by the Agriculture, Rural Development and Irrigation unit (AFTAI). ASARECA, a sub-regional not-for-profit association has been operating based

on a 10 year Strategic Plan (2008-2018) developed to support the sustainable competitiveness of Eastern and Central Africa agricultural research systems through support to prioritized areas of research for development. The strategy was designed to be implemented in 2 five year phases with corresponding Medium Term Operational Plans (MTOPs) which detail implementation of the strategy. The ASARECA MDTF was established at the World Bank in 2008 to support the first phase of the strategic plan, OPI (2008-2013). It has been under implementation for the past 4 and a half years and implementation has been satisfactory. It is scheduled to close on December 31, 2013. Donor support has been very strong for the OPI. Original donor pledges totaled \$55 million. This target was not only met, but exceeded following an additional contribution of \$5.6 million in the second half of 2012. Total contributions to date have passed \$60 million. A number of the MDTF participating donors are in favor of and have recommended a 5 year extension of the MDTF to support a smooth transition to ASARECA' second MTOP (OPII) (2014-2018). The associated proposed Additional Financing would support implementation of OPII. Initial confirmed funding to launch implementation has already been secured from two donors. Identification completed on 23 July 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 30.0 (CDP4). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Volta River Basin Strategic Action Programme Implementation:** The proposed global objective is to improve the capacity of the VBA for transboundary water resources management. Approval completed on 21 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149969. US\$ 3.5/7.2 (CIWA/GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Volta Basin Autority (VBA) Tel: 22625376067, E-mail: secretariat.abv@gmail.com.

**Sahel Regional Irrigation Initiative Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 19 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 173.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

AFCC2/RI-Regional Great Lakes Integrated Agriculture Development Program: The objective is to support the recovery and reintegration of communities and reestablishment of sustainable livelihoods in the conflict affected areas. Identification completed on 21 December 2012. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 225.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**AFC2/RI-GLR: Resilience and Cohesion of Displaced Persons & Border Communities:** The project will support sustainable integration and self-reliance for refugees, internally displaced persons, returnees across the Great Lakes Region, as well as promoting cohesion with their host communities. Concept completed on 13 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152821. *US\$ 47.0 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Education

AFCC2/RI-Africa Higher Education Centers of Excellence Project: To sustain their rapid economic growth for further reducing extreme poverty and increasing share of prosperity, African countries need to carry out necessary economic transformation. This requires an increase in science and technology capacity, skilled workforce, and applied research to accelerate technology absorption, raise productivity and generate new competitive sectors. However, Africa is at the bottom of knowledge economy indicators in these areas. To support the pursuit of necessary change and improvement in this critical area by African countries, the Bank launched a regional initiative of Africa Higher Education Centers of Excellence (ACE) in 2013. The ACE initiative was successfully launched in nine western African countries with a total of US\$150 million investment approved by IDA in 2014 (ACE Phase 1). With the demand indicated by some eastern African countries, building on the lessons learned from ACE Phase 1, the proposed investment project (ACE Phase 2) aims to launch a regional ACE initiative in east/south Africa. The initial targeted eight eastern and southern African IDA countries are Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia, but IBRD countries in the region are welcome to participate if their interest arises.# # The proposed ACE Phase 2 (ACE II) is intended to support the promotion of regional collaboration and specialization among participating universities in areas that address economic growth priorities both national and regional, as well as to strengthen the capacities of these universities to deliver quality training and applied research needed by the society. More specifically, ACE II will cover two main aspects. One is the regional harmonization. In coordination with the African Union, ACE II will focus on regional harmonization of training highly-skilled personnel, particularly at the graduate level, which includes regional quality assurance framework, standards for higher education, diploma /certification recognition, etc., in order to promote mobility of both faculty and students within the region. The other aspect is to provide support through ACE to those states, either small or fragile, which lack of capacity or readiness to implement projects or train high-skilled personnel for meeting their growth or reconstruction needs (e.g., Somalia, South Sudan, Burundi, Comoros, and Seychelles). Specific

activities under both aspects will be discussed and reviewed with relevant regional committees, government ministries, national agencies, universities and other key stakeholders as well as within the Bank during the project preparation. The selection of participating universities will be done through a transparent competitive mechanism agreed with the participating countries.# # ACE II preparation will employ a broad consultation approach. On the client side, two-level of consultation is envisaged: (1) at the regional level, among/with the relevant regional bodies and potential participating countries; and (2) at the country level, among/with relevant ministries, national agencies and universities. Within the Bank, consultations will be carried out with the AFR management, country TTLs and involved Global Practices. These consultations will help to set up and build consensus on priority areas which should be financed under the project. As part of the preparation, a regional steering committee will be formed to guide, facilitate and coordinate the process. A focal point in each participating country will be designated to coordinate needed preparation work in the country. Identification completed on 17 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 140.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Africa Higher Education Centers of Excellence Project Add. Fin.:** The Project Development Objective is to support the Recipients to promote regional specialization among participating universities in areas that address regional challenges by strengthening the capacities of these universities to deliver quality training and applied research. Approval completed on 10 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153111. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

**OMVS - HYDROPOWER AND ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT:** The objective of the proposed project is to improve the reliability and capacity of the OMVS interconnected power system. Identification completed on 13 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147921. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Mali - SOGEM - Societe de Gestion de Manantali.

**AFCC2/RI 3A Ruzizi Hydropower Project:** The Ruzizi III hydropower project, 147MW is sponsored by the Energy Commission of the Great Lakes Countries (DRC, Rwanda and Burundi),in short "EGL", and includes the construction of the dam, tunnel, power station and the transmission line to a switchyard. The project will be developed in the form of a public-private partnership supported by donors including the World Bank, AfDB, and DBSA. The World Bank would provide a Partial Risk Guarantee to support private sector investors to develop the Ruzizi hydropower project. Identification completed on 15 October 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**AFCC2/RI-3A-Ruzizi Hydropower Partial Risk Guarantee:** The Ruzizi III hydropower project, 147MW is sponsored by the Energy Commission of the Great Lakes Countries (DRC, Rwanda and Burundi),in short "EGL", and includes the construction of the dam, tunnel, power station and the transmission line to a switchyard. The project will be developed in the form of a public-private partnership supported by donors including the World Bank, AfDB, and DBSA. The World Bank would provide a Partial Risk Guarantee to support private sector investors to develop the Ruzizi hydropower project. Identification completed on 15 October 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 60.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Regional Transmission Development APL (RI):** The objective is to support the development of the transmission backbone linking Tete Province with the south of Mozambique. Concept completed on 11 September 2008. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P108934. US\$ 150.0/50.0 (IDA Credit/GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Electricidade de Mozambique (Electricity of Mozambique) Tel: (258-21) 304-407, E-mail: cyum@edmdipla.co.mz, Contact: Mr. Carlos Yum, Director and Project Coordinator.

**AFCC2/RI Regional Transmission Interconnection between Mozambique and Malawi:** Regional transmission interconnection between Mozambique and Malawi to integrate Malawi into the Southern African Power Pool. Identification completed on 5 February 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 120.0/4.5 (IDA Credit/AFRS). Consultants will be required. Electricidade de Mozambique (EdM) Tel: (258-21) 353-632; ESCOM Tel: (265-1) 822-000, 824-274.

**Niger River Basin Management Project:** The objective of the project is to strengthen the institutional framework for regional cooperation in water resources in the Niger River Basin. Approval completed on 28 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149714. US\$ 7.5 (CIWA). Consulting services to be determined. Niger Basin Authority (NBA)

Tel: 22798701110, E-mail: sec-executif@abn.ne, Contact: Major General Collins R.U. Ihekire, Executive Secretary.

**AFCC2/RI-3A Tanzania-Zambia Interconnector:** The objective of the project is to connect Tanzania's electrical grid with Kenya's and later Zambia, create power- sharing between the two countries, reduce energy costs, promote sustainable and renewable power generation, better protect the region's environment, and pave the way for more dynamic regional cooperation between the countries of East Africa. The project marks the second phase of a regional East Africa power integration program, which started with the financing of the Ethiopia-Kenya Electricity Highway project, approved by the WB Board in July 2012. The project also builds on the currently on-going Tanzania Backbone Transmission project. Identification completed on 12 July 2013. Environmental Assessment Category A. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**(R)** Regional Disease Surveillance Systems Enhancement (REDISSE): The project's development objective (PDO) is to strengthen cross-sectoral and regional capacity for collaborative disease surveillance and response in West Africa. *Concept completed on 13 November 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B.* Project: P154807. *US\$ 310.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required.* Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

AFCC2/RI-HOA Bordelands and Lagging Regions Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 23 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

AFCC2/RI-Southern Africa Tuberculosis and Health Systems Support Project: A.Proposed Development Objective(s)

38. The overarching goal of the project is to: (i) improve coverage and quality of key TB control and occupational lung disease services in targeted geographic areas of the four participating countries; and (ii) strengthen regional capacity to manage the burden of TB and occupational diseases.

39. The project thus seeks to strengthen an otherwise neglected area—occupational health and safety services and compensation services—which are intricately linked to the burden of TB in the sub-region. The project directly strengthens overall regional and national TB control efforts, though it places added focus on TB in mines as one of the key drivers of the TB epidemic.

40.Primary beneficiaries will be TB-affected individuals and households. More specifically, the project will mainly benefit mining communities, high TB-burden regions and cross-border areas of the four participating countries. Mine workers, exminers, their families, labor-sending areas, and health workers will be direct beneficiaries. The project will directly benefit women, particularly in the small-scale mining sector. Concept completed on 19 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155658. US\$ 120.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Additional Financing to Eastern Recovery Project:** The project development objective is to improve access to livelihoods and socio-economic infrastructure in vulnerable communities in the eastern provinces of DRC. Negotiations authorized on 16 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P157303. *US\$ 34.0/16.0 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant)*. Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

AFCC2/RI-Regional Operation on Development Response to Displacement in the Horn: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 13 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 165.0/5.0 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**AFCC2/RI-3A EA PH Laboratory Networking Project Additional Financing:** To establish a network of efficient, high quality, accessible public health laboratories for the diagnosis and surveillance of tuberculosis and other communicable diseases. Approval completed on 7 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Industry and trade

AFCC2/RI-Great Lakes Trade Facilitation - SOP2: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 31 March

2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 61.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

AFCC2/RI-EAC Accelerated Regional Integration: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 23 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 60.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**AFCC2/RI-Great Lakes Trade Facilitation:** The Development Objective of this project is to facilitate cross-border trade by increasing the capacity for commerce and reducing the costs faced by traders, especially small-scale and women traders, at targeted locations in the borderlands. Approval completed on 25 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151083. US\$ 74.0/5.0 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). No consultants are required. Ministry of Finance.

#### Information and communications

**West Africa Regional Communications Infrastructure Project - SOP3:** 25.The program development objective of WARCIP is to contribute to increasing the geographical reach of broadband networks and reducing costs of communications services in West Africa. Under WARCIP SOP3, the objectives of the project, thus, are to contribute to increasing the geographical reach of broadband networks and reducing costs of communication services in the territory of Guinea Bissau as well as between Guinea Bissau and ECOWAS countries. In order to reach this objective, the project proposes an integrated approach focusing on improving connectivity in Guinea Bissau and creating an enabling environment and institutional strengthening in Guinea Bissau, and at regional level to remove existing bottlenecks for cross-border and regional infrastructure and applications development.

26.WARCIP SOP3 will benefit the entire population of Guinea Bissau. All over Africa, businesses, governments, teachers, doctors, farmers, and fishermen are using ICTs to communicate, share information, improve productivity and service delivery, find better prices, improve access to markets, and increase their bargaining power. The proposed project will therefore benefit the entire population of Guinea Bissau and the ECOWAS region including telecommunications operators, telecommunications users, universities, schools, hospitals, banks, corporate users, and ministries and departments. Direct beneficiaries of the project include people who are connected to the communications network in Guinea Bissau (including telecommunication services and internet users, schools, hospitals, banks, corporations, government and public administrations), to be measured as the number of active fixed and mobile subscribers and internet users. Indirect beneficiaries potentially include all of the Guinea-Bissau's population, since increased communications capabilities at affordable rates for some of the population may eventually have externalities for all in terms of an improved business environment. Because ICTs are enabling tools for economic development and social change, they are particularly valuable resource for women in developing countries who often suffer from limited availability of time, social isolation, and lack of access to knowledge and productive resources. For the purpose of M&E, Direct Project Beneficiaries will be defined in a more restrictive way and a citizen engagement (CE) mechanism will be implemented to monitor and report results to project beneficiaries.

27.WARCIP SOP3, through the regional entities of the ECOWAS Commission, WATRA, and WAPP Secretariat will also benefit directly the ICT policy makers and regulatory authorities who are tasked with developing and implementing harmonized policies and regulations to promote the transition to a single telecommunications market and reducing the price of cross-border communications services in ECOWAS, supporting and consolidating results achieved in previous WARCIP phases and anticipated in the final phases of the program. Concept completed on 28 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155876. US\$ 38.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**RI-Horn of Africa Connectivity Program Phase 1:** The development objectives of the proposed RCIP 6 project are consistent with the PDO of the RCIP Program as a whole, namely to support the Recipient's efforts to:

(i) lower prices for international capacity and extend the geographic reach of broadband networks (the connectivity development objective); and

(ii) improve the Government's efficiency and transparency through e-Government applications (the transparency development objective).

Project would be financed by \$30 million IDA, complemented by anticipated funding of US\$12 million in co-financing from the African Development Bank and a US\$12m parallel investment from the private sector, which may also require the help of an IDA Partial Risk Guarantee. The financing package is US\$54 million in total.

The proposed project is composed of three components, as described below:

Component 1: Enabling Environment (US\$10m, of which US\$2m from AfDB and US\$8m from WBG)

1A.)Strengthening the National Communications Authority (US\$8m from WBG)

The 2012 Communications Act provides for the establishment of an independent regulator. The World Bank is already providing some initial regulatory training but a more ambitious program of work is required, covering the development of an enabling legal and regulatory framework, including a license framework that promotes competition and is technologically neutral; an effective interconnection and access pricing framework; a governance framework and a Universal Access framework. Capacitybuilding will also be required especially for managing scarce resources, such as spectrum and the numbering plan. This component will also include establishing an ICT data collection and analysis unit within the future regulator.

1B.)Applications development and piloting, including Mobile Money and eGovernment (US\$2m from AfDB)

There is considerable appetite for the development of locally relevant applications, particularly delivered over mobile platforms. The sector vision for South Sudan is to become 'An inclusive, empowered, dynamic and prosperous ICT-anchored nation that is an active participant in the Global Information Society". Mobile money is a leading candidate for applications development and a workshop on mobile money, jointly organised by the Bank, IFC, the Bank of South Sudan and the Ministry of Telecommunications and Postal Services was held on 30 April 2013. There is interest from DFID in using mobile money to make conditional cash transfers as an incentive to keep girls in education. A pilot program involving up to 60,000 students is planned for Lainya County, starting in Sep/Oct 2013. Technical assistance to this pilot program could be provided during the PPA phase. The mobile money platform, once developed, would be available for many such uses.

Component 2: Connectivity (US\$42m, of which US\$20m from the WBG; US\$10m from AfDB, and US\$12m in parallel financing from the private sector)

2AGovernment backbone network and data centers (US\$10m from AfDB)

An earlier Multi-Donor Trust Fund grant, via Operations Policy and Country Services (OPCS), has provided for a satellitebased government network with VSATs (very small aperture terminals) in each of the ten states, linked to a hub in Juba. This is now being tested and will soon be available for use, to provide secure government email. An investment grant would provide some initial funding for the satellite segment and would mean the next phase could be extended and upgraded to terrestrial links (e.g., microwave, fibre). The Satellite based government network could operate in stand-by mode in case there is a cut in the optical fiber cable.

As is the case for other programs under RCIP, demand stimulation and the development of sectoral applications is considered an important part of the program. Some of the funding that is set aside for the government backbone network could be used for advance purchase of capacity on behalf of government departments, using competitive tendering allowing competition among the private sector members of the PPP. This would provide an incentive for the private sector to invest in additional backbone capacity, which is currently almost completely lacking in South Sudan.

2BAccelerating the roll-out of a fibre backbone network, under a Public Private Partnership (US\$20m in WBG funding and credit guarantees plus around US\$12m in parallel private sector investment)

There is a desperate need for a fibre link between landlocked South Sudan and at least one of the fibre backbones in neighboring countries in order to reduce costs, and improve the performance and reliability of Internet access. However, the private sector is currently unable to provide funding and also lacks a fixed-line operating license to negotiate rights of way, across state borders. The World Bank can provide assistance to create an open and transparent framework, and play the role of an honest broker.

It is proposed that international connectivity be introduced in up to three phases:

•The first link would join Juba to Lokichoggio in Kenya, passing through the Eastern Equatorial capital of Torit, with fibre being laid alongside a new road that is being financed by a consortium including the World Bank, AfDB and EXIM Bank (South Sudan – East Africa Regional Transport, Trade and Development Facilitation Program, P131426, which includes an ICT component of US\$15m). This is a relatively short distance (350km) to the nearest fibre and has the added of advantage of only needing to transit through one country to reach the four undersea cables off the coast of East Africa.

•The second link would join Juba to Gulu in Uganda, passing via the border crossing of Nimule. Again, this has the advantage of following the course of a road, one of the few paved roads in the country, over a relatively short distance (300km).

•A third link would go from Kapoeta, on the newly-created fibre to the Kenyan border and branch off to pass through Ethiopia to Djibouti, which is served by eight international cables.

The cost of installing a national fiber optic network with onward connectivity to multiple international submarine landing stations, in Mombasa or Djibouti, is not economically viable for any single operator. Given the routing steps and multiple backhaul arrangements required, the South Sudan government and operators have indicated a preference for an end-to-end solution for obtaining international connectivity. This will be structured as a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) with a consortium consisting of the South Sudan government and operators contracting a company to provide the needed connectivity on an open access basis. There is interest from the private sector in exploring the possibilities for Partial Risk Guarantees (PRG) to offset their commercial and regulatory risk. A consultant is being hired under SS-EARTTDF to structure the PPP. It is considered possible that the private sector might contribute up to US\$12m (leveraging US\$3m in IDA PRG credits for cost sharing on infrastructure roll-out).

Component 3: Project Implementation Unit (US\$2m WBG)

The final component for the investment grant in South Sudan would be funding for a project implementation unit (PIU). A PIU has already been established jointly with MTRB for the ICT component of the SS-EARTTDF program. However, given the technical nature of this activity and the larger scale, RCIP-6 will need its own PIU with its own technical staff and will need to maintain liaison with the future regulator and the private sector. Identification completed on 18 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 15.0/12.0 (IDA Credit/AFDB). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

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Regional Communications Infrastructure Program Phase 5 - Uganda: To support the Recipient's efforts to:

(i) lower prices for international capacity and extend the geographic reach of broadband networks (the connectivity development objective); and

(ii) improve the Government's efficiency and transparency through e-Government applications (the transparency development objective). Approval completed on 22 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P130871. US\$ 75.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. National IT Agency Tel: 256-417-801038, E-mail: info@nita.go.ug, Contact: James Saaka, Executive Director.

**Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research in East and Central Africa Multi-Donor Trust Fund:** This is a request for Additional Financing to support the existing ASARECA MDTF (P112600, TF071104). A Multi-Donor Trust Fund (MDTF) was established at the World Bank in 2008 to support a program of integrated agricultural research for development, as described in ASARECA's 5-year OP (2008/09-2013/14). The MDTF is intended to facilitate donor interaction, coordination and harmonization (including harmonization of procedures and formats to be applied by ASARECA), which is essential to effectively and efficiently assist the further institutional development of ASARECA. The project has been under implementation for the past 3.5 years and implementation progress has been satisfactory. Original donor pledges were expected to reach \$55 million and this target has been met. New contributions totaling \$4 million will be used to scale up the results of existing sub-projects within the remaining timeframe of the grant (19 months). No new activities are planned. Identification completed on 21 May 2012. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 5.6 (CDP4). Consulting services to be determined. Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research in Eastern and Central Africa (ASARECA), Contact: Seyfu Ketema, Executive Director.

**(R)** West Africa Survey Harmonization Project: The objective of the project is to support the WAEMU Commission at strengthening the capacity of its member countries to conduct living conditions surveys that meet harmonized, regional standards and approaches and that use computer assisted interview technologies and to make the collected micro-data publicly available *Concept completed on 31 October 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P153702. *US\$ 40.5 (IDA Grant)*. *Consultants will be required*. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Transportation

**Olwiyo – Nebbi – Goli Road Project:** As part of the development of the Gulu-Kisangani road corridor the objective of the project to rehabilitate the 114 km paved road from Olwiyo to Nebbi, and to upgrade the 15 km gravel road, from Nebbi to Goli, to bitumen pavement. Identification completed on 9 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Southern Africa Trade and Transport Facilitation Program - SOP2:** The objective of the Southern Africa Trade and Transport Facilitation Program - Phase 2 is to facilitate the movement of goods and people along the North-South Corridor and at the key border crossings in Malawi, whilst supporting improvements in road safety and health services along the corridor. Approval completed on 29 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145566. US\$ 69.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Roads Authority Tel: 2651753699, E-mail: trevorhiwa@ra.org.mw, Contact: Trevor Hiwa, CEO.

AFCW2/RI-Dakar - Bamako Railway Improvement Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 27 January 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**LAKE VICTORIA TRANSPORT PROGRAM - SOP1:** The program development objective for the Lake Victoria Transport Program has been identified as the following: to facilitate the sustainable movement of goods and people across Lake Victoria, whilst strengthening the institutional framework for navigation and maritime safety.

The project development objective for SOP1 in Uganda has been identified as the following: to facilitate the sustainable movement of goods and people across Lake Victoria, whilst strengthening the institutional framework for navigation and maritime safety in Uganda. Concept completed on 18 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P151606. US\$ 75.0/5.0 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**NEL TRANSBOUNDARY RIVER BASIN MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECT:** The project activities will strengthen (i) regional cooperation and integration, (ii) water resources management, (iii) water resources development, and (iv) stakeholder engagement and coordination. They will improve river basin planning, advance investment projects to pipeline status through feasibility type studies and packaging of prepared investments, and strengthen stakeholder participation in investment planning as well as strategic communication. The NEL region will be broadly covered, in addition to targeted activities in the Mara, Kagera and Sio-Malaba-Malakisi sub-basins. Identification completed on 13 June 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 13.0 (CIWA). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**AFFC2/RI-Lake Victoria Environmental Management Project APL-1 AF:** The objectives of the Project are to contribute to: (i) the improvement of the collaborative management of the trans-boundary natural resources of the LVB among the Partner States; and (ii) the improvement of environmental management of targeted pollution hotspots and selected degraded sub-catchments for the benefit of communities who depend on the natural resources of LVB. Approval completed on 26 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P153466. US\$ 20.0/2.0 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R) Senegal River Basin Integrated Water Resources Management Project:** The development objective of the Senegal River Basin Integrated Water Management Project is to strengthen the capacity of OMVS and local water user associations to improve the environmental and water quality conditions of the Senegal River's water resources. *Appraisal completed on 20 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153863. *US\$ 12.1 (AFW1).* Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# East Asia And Pacific

# Cambodia

#### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**KH-Land Allocation for Social and Economic Development Project II:** The proposed project development objective (PDO) is to help improve agriculture-based livelihoods for project beneficiaries. Concept completed on 27 August 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150631. *US\$ 25.1 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Land Management, Urban Planning and Construction Tel: 855-12854261, E-mail: lased@ezecom.com.kh, Contact: H.E. Dr. Sareth Boramy, LASED II, Project Director; Ministry of Interior Tel: 855-92351666, E-mail: pcheam@ncdd.gov.kh, Contact: H.E. Cheam Pe A, LASED II, Project Coordinator; Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery (MAFF) Tel: 855-12833777, E-mail: kunso@camnet.com.kh, Contact: HE. Dr. So Khan Rithykun, Director General, GDA/MAFF.

**KH** - **Livelihood Enhancement and Association of the Poor (LEAP):** Despite the impressive economic progress in the last decade, Cambodia is still one of the poorest countries in Southeast Asia, ranking as a low income country. In spite of the significant reduction in poverty, the hard won gains remain fragile. The vast majority of the families who were lifted out of poverty did so by only a small margin, implying that those families moved from being poor to being just near-poor are at high risk of falling back into poverty. For example, the loss of just 1,200 riel per person per day in income (about US\$0.30) would throw an estimated three million people back into poverty, doubling the country poverty level to 40 percent from 20.5 percent. Poverty in Cambodia remains predominantly a rural phenomenon. However, migration to urban areas has also increased urban poverty and vulnerability, in particular in peri-urban areas of Phnom Penh.

The project (design and implementation) will build on positive experiences gained during an extended piloting phase in the province of Siem Reap along with an intensive impact evaluation that provides guidance for the design of the targeted poverty reduction activities. This pilot phase has implemented successful income generating activities by community members, along with strengthening of social capital, thereby contributing to poverty reduction for both rural and urban poor at local levels.

The development objective of the proposed project is to help improve livelihoods of targeted poor households in selected provinces and communities. The PDO is expected to be achieved by providing targeted poor beneficiaries with (a) access to finance and linking them to markets and key value chains for their livelihood activities; (b) support for creating and strengthening self-sustaining livelihood-related community-level institutions, such as agriculture marketing cooperatives; and (c) improving delivery of key services, such as capacity building to develop and strengthen technical and managerial business skills of targeted poor beneficiaries;

Key performance indicators will include (i) the percentage of beneficiary HH that take up new / additional livelihood strategies or diversify and improve income sources compared to the baseline; (ii) the (increased) value of family-owned assets among project beneficiaries; and (iii) the self-perception by the poor of their strengthened ability for collective action.

The Project is envisaged to have the following four principal components: (i) an investment fund, (ii) Identification and scaling-up of pro-poor livelihood initiatives, (iii) capacity building for community associations, and (iv) project implementation/management support. Identification completed on 26 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**(R) Cambodia Health Equity and Quality Improvement Program (H-EQIP):** The proposed Development Objective is to improve access to quality health services for the targeted population groups with protection against impoverishment due to cost of health services in the Kingdom of Cambodia. *Concept completed on 16 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P157291. *US\$* 30.0/*50.0* (IDA Credit/*KHFS*). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

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**Local Governance and Development Program:** The objective is to assist the Royal Government of Cambodia in its implementation of the National Program for Sub National Democratic Development in both local governance and local development objectives. Concept completed on 6 July 2010. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P096505. US\$ 40.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. NCDD Secretariat, Ministry of Interior Tel: (855-23) 362-175, 720-038, E-mail: info@ncdd.gov.kh; Ngan.chamroeun@ncdd.gov.kh, Contact: HE Ngan Chamroeun, Project Manager and Deputy Director General.

#### Transportation

KH - Road Asset Management Project II: Background and linkage with CPS: The Royal Government of Cambodia (RGC) has requested this project as one of the priorities as part of the World Bank Group's new Interim Strategy Note for Cambodia, which will be closely aligned with the 2013 NSDP. The follow on Road Asset Management Project (RAMP-II) will form a major part of government's efforts to achieve the objectives of "increasing competitiveness and connectivity" as well as "fostering growth of rural economy and poverty reduction". The RAMP-II would seek to scale up the activities and impacts of the current project in road network management and maintenance program to support "competitiveness and connectivity" by supporting analysis of the MPWT's overall road program, influencing investments in the sector in accordance with economically justified, prioritized plans and programs; and demonstrating that outsourced competitive bidding is an efficient approach to road maintenance. It would: (i) adjust project design to the financial and institutional capacity of the Borrower, (ii) integrate project activities into the MPWT functions, and (iii) follow a gradual approach for the implementation of policy and institutional reforms. Project Development Objective: The objective of the project is to support road preservation works on priority national roads selected to maximize economic benefits, and to strengthen MPWT road maintenance planning, contracting and management. Project Component: RAMP-II will include following two components: (a) Road Asset management; and (b) Capacity development. Under component A - Road asset management: The RAMP-II will support the preservation of MPWT's road network and provide the necessary implementation support. The periodic maintenance works to be undertaken in the project have been defined using the RMDS/HDM4 system upgraded by the current RAMP. It will also support, increasing routine and periodic maintenance through increasing Government contributions. This will be carried out using force account, and using an output/performance-based contract approach successfully piloted under PRIP and current RAMP. The implementation support includes: (i) the preparation of designs and bidding documents for the civil works; (ii) advice to MPWT on technical designs, cost estimates, bidding documents, contract management, and safeguard activities for works; (iii) support for the operation of the Road Data Collection and Management Unit (RDCMU) and for effective implementation and operation of RDMS; (iv) construction supervision of civil works throughout the project; and (v) Supporting Performance based contracts. Under Component B - Capacity Development Component, the RAMP-II will support the capacity development at the institutional, organizational and individual level for MPWT to perform its road asset management functions effectively and efficiently. It includes (i) institutional (administrative) and (ii) technical capacity development for road asset management within the General Department Public Works; (iii) HIV/AIDs awareness and human trafficking campaigns; (iv) community based road safety campaign, and (v) training on safeguards, monitoring and evaluation, financial audits and technical audits, and (iv) administrative and operations costs for the RAMP team. The expected outcomes: Four major outcomes of the project are: (i) expanding maintenance of the national road infrastructure nationwide and facilitating interventions in priority areas, (ii) allocating adequate maintenance funding during the budgeting process; (iii) knowledge building in MPWT on road network management, maintenance technology and contract management; and (iv) private sector involvement in competitive bidding and performance quality. Monitoring and Evaluation: The PDO level indicators are (i) Roads rehabilitated, Non-rural and (ii) Travel time reduced, and (iii) Roads in good and fair condition as a share of total classified roads (percentage). Twice a year the implementation support will be carried out by the Bank with full participation of MPWT and its provincial departments to monitor the project outcomes. Identification completed on 6 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B.IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Consultants will be required for project preparation related consultants. Ministry of Public Works and Transport Tel: (855-23) 427-845, E-mail: mpwt@online.com.kh, Contact: Sovicheano Pheng, Under Secretary of State.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**(R)** Mekong Integrated Water Resources Management Project- Phase III: The project development objective of the Mekong Integrated Water Resources Management Project Phase III is to establish the foundation for effective water resource and fisheries management in the project areas in the northeast of Cambodia. The overall development objective for the Mekong

Integrated Water Resources Management series of projects is to establish key examples of integrated water resource management (IWRM) practices in the Lower Mekong Basin, at the regional, country and sub-national levels. *Appraisal completed on 14 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148647. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Cambodia National Mekong Committee (CNMC) Tel: (855-23) 216-514, E-mail: wattbotkosal@gmail.com, Contact: Botkosal Watt, Deputy Secretary General.

# China

#### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

Hunan Integrated Management of Contaminated Agricultural Land: 16. The project development objective is to improve environmental management of agricultural land contaminated with heavy metals and other pollutants for safe agricultural production in selected counties in Hunan.

17. The project is part of Hunan's efforts to improve the quality and safety of its agricultural product area, and also the part of the national efforts to reduce heavy metal pollution under the 12th Five Year Plan on Integrated Prevention and Control of Heavy Metal Pollution. Hunan is one of the 14 key provinces selected for heavy metal pollution management under the Plan. The project will contribute to sustainable agriculture and food safety in Hunan and China.

18. The total cost of the project is estimated as RMB 1.237 billion Yuan (US\$200 million), including US\$100 million from the World Bank, and RMB 620 million of counterpart funding from provincial government and participating county governments. Concept completed on 17 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P153115. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Jiangxi Farm Produce Distribution System Development:** To promote the upgrading and standardizing of Jiangxi's farm produce wholesale markets, uplift market service, expand the distribution channel, regulate the distribution and lower the logistic cost of farm produce, the proposed project intends to solve the problem of "difficult to sell" farm produce through the development of the distribution system of Jiangxi's special local agricultural products. Identification completed on 2 August 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Finance Department of Jiangxi Province Tel: (86-791) 8728-7699, E-mail: cxm8286@sina.com.

**GEF Mainstreaming Integrated Water and Environment Management:** The PDO is to increase water productivity and reduce pollution discharges in selected counties to minimize the negative impacts on the ecosystem of Bohai Sea.

The above objective will be achieved through the following specific activities:

•To prepare and implement SAPs at the river basin level and IWEMPs at the county level in broader areas, integrating the use of target ET and target EC to guide and control water extraction, utilization and pollution emissions;

•To carry out research on the application of policies, innovative technologies, encouraging a shift towards more efficient modes of production;

•To apply innovative technologies and policy interventions in the pilots to improve water productivity, reduce water pollution and strengthen environmental protection;

•To strengthen the capacity of the central and local governments for integrated water and environmental management; and

•To construct civil works or infrastructure (to be fully financed by government counterpart funds during the second or third year of project implementation) to increase water productivity and reduce pollution discharges during the second or third year of project implementation in line with SAPs and IWEMPs prepared during the early stage of project implementation. Concept completed on 6 November 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145897. US\$ 9.5 (GEFU). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Water Resources Tel: 86-10-63202708, E-mail: ndwu@mwr.gov.cn, Contact: Ms. WU Nongdi, Director of International Division.

**Shaanxi Poor Rural Areas Community Development Project:** The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to increase income opportunities in selected poor rural communities of Shaanxi province. Concept completed on 21 September

2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153541. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Landscape Approach to Wildlife Conservation in Northeast China: 10. The project development objective is to help create the ecological conditions for recovery of threatened biodiversity in priority ecological landscapes in the far northeast of China, using the Amur Tiger as an indicator species.

11. The project would do this through: (a) enhancing the extension and effectiveness of protected area/network management, (b) increasing wildlife carrying capacity through restoration, expansion and connectivity of critical habitats, including the expansion of biodiversity-friendly landscapes adjacent to protected areas; (c) promoting more effective law enforcement and monitoring in both protected areas and the greater landscape to reduce mortality of flagship species; and (e) reducing human/wildlife conflict by increasing benefits to and buy-in from local communities for wildlife conservation. Concept completed on 4 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P122383. US\$ 3.0 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. State Forestry Administration Tel: 861084238577, E-mail: Wsw\_sfa@sina.com, Contact: Mr. Wang Weisheng, Deputy Director General, SFA.

**Guangxi Rural Poverty Alleviation Pilot Project:** The proposed PDO is to increase income opportunities for rural households in selected poverty counties of Guangxi. Concept completed on 30 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153892. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Education

**China: Guangdong Compulsory Education Project:** This project seeks to improve the availability and quality of compulsory education in 16 counties of Guangdong. These counties have historically lagged behind the rest of the province in terms of both the amount of education financing available and the quality of physical and human resources for education. The proposed components of the project aim to:

- 1. Enhance equity in compulsory education
- 2. Improve quality of teacher training and promote balanced deployment of teachers to rural areas
- 3. Strengthen management practices in the compulsory education system

4. Build capacity for Monitoring and Evaluation and project management Identification completed on 21 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$120.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R) China: Gansu Technical and Vocational Education and Training Project:** This project seeks to improve the quality of technical and vocational education and training (TVET) in Gansu and improve linkages between TVET schools and relevant industries. Identification completed on 21 February 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$120.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Yunnan Early Childhood Education Innovation Project (YECEIP):** The objective is to facilitate monitoring and/or evaluation of gender impacts. Identification completed on 2 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

**(R) Hebei Clean Heating Project:** The project development objective (PDO) is to improve the efficiency and environmental performance of heating systems in selected areas within participating municipalities/counties of Hebei Province. *Negotiations authorized on 22 October 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P148599. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Foreign Debt Management Center, Hebei Provincial Department of Finance Tel: 0311-66651593, E-mail: hehui@vip.163.com, Contact: Hui He, Director.

**Developing Market-based Energy Efficiency Program in China:** The objective of the project is to support development and implementation of China??s priority energy efficiency programs, with a focus on improving energy savings measurement and verification system and developing market-based mechanisms.

The achievement of the Project Development Objective would be measured through the following high-level outcome indicators: (a) energy savings measurement and verification system improved; and (b) market-based mechanisms for energy savings designed.

The project-level intermediate output indicators are:

- (a)Innovative EE fiscal incentives designed
- (b)Implementation capacity improved in selected pilot cities
- (c)Energy savings M&V methodologies and guidelines developed
- (d)Capacity of stakeholders built for MRV system
- (e)Priority EE policies and programs supporting 13th FYP designed
- (f)Market-based mechanism designed

(g)Capacity of stakeholders built for market-based mechanisms

(h)Energy savings achieved

(i)Avoided CO2 emissions Appraisal completed on 8 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P132748. US\$ 17.8 (GEFU). Consultants will be required. Economic Construction Department, Ministry of Finance Tel: 8610-68552502, E-mail: mv\_pmo@163.com, Contact: Mr. Dihai Xiang, Director; Economic Construction Department, Ministry of Finance Tel: 8610-68552502, E-mail: mv\_pmo@163.com, Contact: Mr. Dihai Xiang, Director.

#### Health and other social services

**Lushan Earthquake Reconstruction and Risk Reduction Project:** The proposed objective is to build disaster resilient infrastructure and strengthen risk reduction and emergency preparedness. Concept completed on 9 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153548. US\$300.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Anhui Aged Care Project:** The project development objective is to build a system of aged care services in Anhui province that provides a mix of quality services at home, in community settings and in facilities. These services would be affordable for users and financially sustainable, and would draw on the resources of the government, the private sector (commercial and NGO) and communities. Identification completed on 14 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$140.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Industry and trade

**(R)** Zhuzhou Brownfield Remediation Project: To reduce public exposure to contaminated land in the Project Area using risk-based remediation approaches. *Negotiations authorized on 19 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P147381. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Development and Reform Commission of Zhuzhou Tel: 0731-28686338, E-mail: 2443312565@qq.com, Contact: Mr. Zhou Jianguang, Director, DRC of Zhouzhu.

**China HCFC Phase-out Project Stage II:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 17 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 150.0 (MPIN). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Reduction and Phase-out of PFOS in Priority Sectors:** The project development objective is to reduce consumption and production of PFOS in selected industry sectors and enterprises. Concept completed on 30 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P152959. US\$ 24.3 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

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**CAPACITY STRENGTHENING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF MINAMATA CONVENTION ON MERCURY PRO-JECT:** The proposed project development objective is to improve China's capacity to address its mercury issues in priority sectors under the Minamata Convention on Mercury. Concept completed on 19 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151281. US\$ 8.0 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**CH-Second Gansu Cultural and Natural Heritage Protection and Development Project:** The project is a follow on project from the current Gansu Cultural and Natural Heritage Protection and Development Project which will be closed by December 31, 2014. The project will support the investment for the protection and development of prioritized sites with cultural and natural heritage significance in Gansu province. The proposed project will cover about a dozen project sites located on center and eastern part of Gansu province with \$100 million IBRD loan finance by the Bank. Identification completed on 22 January 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Project Management Office Tel: (86-931) 883-9676, E-mail: gansupmo@126.com, Contact: Mr. Ning Xiaoki, Deputy Director of the PMO.

**Fiscal Technical Assistance:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 16 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Transportation

**CN-Hubei Xiaogan Logistic Infrastructure:** 20. The PDO is to promote more efficient logistics in Xiaogan while mitigating environmental and social externalities from increased freight activities. Concept completed on 9 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P132562. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Xiaogan Municipal Urban Construction Investment Company Tel: 8613907293625, E-mail: 873595148@qq.com, Contact: Xiong Jianping, Director.

**Three Gorges Modern Logistics Center Infrastructure Project:** The proposed project aims to support the development of a modern logistics center at the downstream of the Three Gorges Dam in the Yichang Municipality of China's Hubei Province. Located at a transitional zone between West Hubei and the Jianghan Plain, and between the upper and middle streams of the Yangtze River, Yichang plays a pivotal role in linking the eastern and western regions of China through multi-modal transport. Over recent years, faced with rapidly growing inland waterway shipping volumes on the Yangtze River, the locks of the Three Gorges and Gezhou dams have become bottlenecks to regional and national freight transport itineraries. The proposed project aims to alleviate these bottlenecks by providing transport and logistics infrastructure and services to support effective cargo handling (e.g., loading/unloading, consolidation/deconsolidation) and multimodal connectivity in and around the Baiyang Area of the Yichang Yunchi Logistics Park and the Yichang Main City Port Area in Yichang. Identification completed on 20 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined.

**Anhui Road Maintenance Innovation and Demonstration Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve road highway asset management capacity and road service delivery in the participating municipalities and county in Anhui Province. Concept completed on 25 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153173. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. ANHUI PMO Tel: 86-551-63656197, E-mail: apcdpeo@vip.163.com.

**(R)** China: Tianjin Urban Transport Improvement Project: The PDO is to leverage the Tianjin metro system and to promote walking and biking in the urban core (in Heping and Nankai) in orderto make transport greener and safer in Tianjin and draw lessons for other large cities. *Negotiations authorized on 22 October 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148129. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Tianjin PMO Tel: 86-22-23191560, E-mail: tjpm0123@163.com, Contact: Qi Wenjie, Director.

**Wuhan Integrated Transport Development:** The PDO is to improve transport services in Wuhan and Anlu Cities. Appraisal completed on 30 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148294. US\$120.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Anlu City World-Bank Loan Project Management Office Tel: 86136-3581-7581, E-mail: alshbgs@163.com, Contact: Wen Jiawei, Deputy Director General; Wuhan Urban Construction Utilization of Foreign Investment Project Management Office Tel: 86-27-85874312, E-mail: Whcjwzxmb@163.com, Contact: Dai Ke Jun, Director.

Henan Xinxiang New Urbanized Community Development: The Henan Xinxiang New Urbanized Community Devel-

opment Project is located in Xinxiang City of Henan Province, involving 9 counties or districts. The project development objective is to upgrade the living quality of farmers through demonstration of urbanized community development and to provide an applicable urbanization model for the middle part of China. The objective will be achieved through carrying out application studies and pilots on policy and approach, construction of community infrastructure, and development of community facilitates and services. The total project cost is estimated as USD 200 million, of which the Bank financing is USD 100 million. The project would consist of the following proposed components: (a) application studies and pilots on policies and approach; (b) community infrastructure construction; (c) community facilities and services development; and (d) project management and capacity building. Identification completed on 23 October 2013. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R) Hubei Jingzhou Historic Town Conservation Project:** To conserve cultural heritage and improve water quality and tourism services in selected areas in Jingzhou Municipality. *Negotiations authorized on 22 October 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P148523. US\$100.0 (IBRD). *Consultants will be required*. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Urumqi Urban Transport Project II:** The PDO is to improve mobility in selected transport corridors in Urumqi. Appraisal completed on 29 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P148527. US\$140.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**YinXi Railway:** The proposed development objective is to improve direct rail connectivity for passengers and businesses located along the corridor between Yinchuan in Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region and Xi'an in Shaanxi Province, through Gansu Province. Concept completed on 11 October 2013. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P127869. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. China Railway Corporation Tel: 861051841825, E-mail: xufengcn@163.com, Contact: Mr. Xu Feng, Director.

**Ningbo Sustainable Urbanization Demonstration Project:** 1. The objective of the project is to demonstrate more sustainable urbanization approaches for small towns by improving transport connectivity and resilience to floods. Concept completed on 14 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149485. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ningbo Project Management Office Tel: (86-574) 8728-0430, E-mail: yuhaifeng78@sina.com, Contact: Dongjun Liang, PMO Director.

**GEF China Sustainable Cities Integrated Approach Pilot:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 32.8 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(N) Shaanxi Xi'an City Intelligent Public Transport Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Poyang Lake Basin Town Water Environment Management Project:** The project development objective is to reduce pollutants inflow to Poyang Lake. The project includes the following components: Component 1: Wastewater Collection. Main activities include construction of 475km of wastewater collection pipes and canals. Component 2: Wastewater treatment and solid waste treatment. Main activities include construction of 9 wastewater (83,000Ton/day) and sludge (500T/day) treatment plants. number of solid waste treatment plants/stations (1650T/day). Component 3: Ecological water body treatment. Main activities include construction of ecological ponds (gullies), wetlands etc. for water sanitation of 600 villages. Component 4: Ecological recovery of mining area. Main activities include establishment of 12 ecological restoration engineers. Component 5: Public Participation and training. Identification completed on 18 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Fiji

# Transportation

Transport Infrastructure Investment Project: The development objective is to improve the resilience and safety of land

and maritime transport infrastructure for users of project roads, bridges and rural jetties and wharves. Approval completed on 11 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150028. US\$50.0/100.7 (IBRD/ASDB). Consulting services to be determined. Fiji Roads Authority Tel: (679) 310-0114, E-mail: neil.cook@fijiroads.org, Contact: Neil Cook, Chief Executive Officer.

# Indonesia

## Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE CBNRM AND INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT:** The project development objective is to build institutions and local capacity to enhance partnerships and improve the decentralized management of forests Appraisal completed on 9 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P144269. US\$ 17.0/6.0 (CSCF/DANI). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Forestry Tel: /Fax: (62-21) 572-0227, Contact: Office of the Secretary-General

**(N) Indonesia Urgent Rehabilitation of Irrigation Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$250.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Strengthening Rights and Economies of Adat and Local Communities:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 26 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 6.3 (CIF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Indonesia Strategic Irrigation Modernization Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 7 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$278.4 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Energy and mining

**Indonesia: Matenggeng Pumped Storage Hydro-Electrical Project:** The development objective is to increase the peaking capacity of the power generation system in Java-Bali in an environmentally and socially sustainable way and strengthen the institutional capacity of the project implementing entity (PLN) in hydropower planning, development and operation.

The proposed project will provide support for PLN's development of a pumped storage power development project in Matengeng, central Java, aiming to improve the long term overall efficiency of the power industry in the country. The total project cost (excluding price contingency) is estimated at US\$ 600 million and it is proposed by PLN that around US\$ 500 million will be financed by the Bank.

The basic design of the Matenggeng project as well as related environmental and social studies are being financed under the ongoing Upper Cisokan Pumped Storage Project.

Component 1: Matenggeng Pumped Storage Power Project

The development consists of (i) a lower reservoir with around 10 million cubic meters of volume and impounded by a dam with a maximum height of 90 meter, (ii) an upper reservoir with around 10 million cubic meters of volume and impounded by a dam with a maximum height of 100 meters; (iii) two inclined shafts connecting the lower and upper reservoirs; (iv) an underground powerhouse with an installed capacity of 880 MW; (v) associated 500 kV transmission lines to connect the power station to the Java-Bali power system.

#### Component 2: Community Development Component

A livelihood restoration or community development component, incorporating, at a minimum, the execution of the resettlement and livelihood restoration programs for all project affected persons, will be financed under the project. The component would also finance a broader community development program. Identification completed on 26 November 2012. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$500.0 (IBRD). No consultants are required. PLN (Persero) Tel: (62-21) 722-1332, E-mail: murtaqi@pln.co.id, Contact: Murtaqi Syamsuddin, Mr.. **Indonesia:** Poko Hydropower Project: The development objective of the proposed project is to supply electricity from renewable energy resources for economic development and rural electrification expansion in South and West Sulawesi in a least-cost and environmentally and socially sustainable way. Identification completed on 13 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$360.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. PLN (Persero) Tel: (62-21) 722-1332, E-mail: murtaqi@pln.co.id.

**(R) Indonesia's Infrastructure Finance Development (IIFD) - RE:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 September 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category A*. US\$ 8.2 (IIFD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Indonesia: Geothermal Energy Upstream Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 17 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 50.0/0.3/6.3/3.8 (CIF/FRDE/GFCO/GNEZ). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Finance

**Regional Infrastructure Development Fund:** 29.The project development objective (PDO) is to increase access to infrastructure finance at the subnational level through a sustainable financial intermediary. Concept completed on 13 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P154947. US\$500.0/5.0 (IBRD/GSWI). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**Indonesia National Urban Slum Upgrading Program:** increasing access to basic services for the urban poor in target communities Identification completed on 25 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. *US\$400.0 (IBRD)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Indonesia-Supporting Primary Health Care Reform (I-SPHERE) project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 17 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$300.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**ID-TF ADDITIONAL FINANCING PNPM GENERASI PROGRAM:** The new PDO is to empower local communities in poor, rural sub-districts in the project provinces to increase utilization of health and education services. Approval completed on 23 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147658. US\$ 151.7 (IDPN). Consultants will be required. Director Generals for Village Community Empowerment Tel: 6221-7990419, E-mail: ppkpmd@yahoo.com, Contact: Nata Irawan, SH, MSi, Directorate of Traditional and Community Social and Cultural.

# Industry and trade

**National Affordable Housing Program:** The objective of the program is to improve access to affordable housing for lower-income households. Identification completed on 14 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154948. US\$500.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**Surabaya Urban Corridor Development Program:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 13 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$300.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Indonesia Infrastructure Finance Facility - Additional Financing:** The objective of the Project is to strengthen Indonesia Infrastructure Finance (IIF) to increase provision of private sector financed infrastructure in accordance with the national strategic plan. Identification completed on 13 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category F. US\$250.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Eastern Indonesia Port Development Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 30 July 2015.

Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$500.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**National Urban Water Supply Program:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 3 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Improvement of Solid Waste Management to Support Regional and Metropolitan Cities:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 10 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$89.0/11.0 (IBRD/ZBIL). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Dam Operation, Rehabilitation and Safety Improvement Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 29 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$250.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**The National Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Project (PAMSIMAS AF):** To increase the number of under-served rural and peri-urban populations accessing sustainable water supply and sanitation services Negotiations authorized on 8 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154780. US\$300.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Kiribati

#### Transportation

**Kiribati Aviation Investment Project Additional Financing:** This is additional financing for the Kiribati project under the Pacific Aviation Investment Program (PAIP), a regional APL (horizontal) to undertake investments in aviation sector infrastructure. It will add funding to the Kiribati Aviation Investment Project (KAIP) - P128938 to cover a financing gap on that project. Identification completed on 27 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 7.1/5.3 (IDA Grant/PRIF). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Communication, Transport, & Tourism Development Tel: 686-26-004, Email: tmwemwenikeaki@gmail.com, Contact: Terieta Mwemwenikeaki, Secretary.

# Mongolia

# Energy and mining

**Mongolia: Second Energy Sector Project:** The project is to follow-up on the achievements of the recently completed Energy Sector Project (LN 3503-MN and LN 4673-MN). Its focus will be on rehabilitation and expansion of electricity distribution facilities in aimag utilities in order to improve service, accommodate new connections and reduce losses. Identification completed on 16 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$45.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Finance

**MN Export Development Project:** The development objective of the project is to strengthen support to Mongolian exporters to wards diversification and expansion of their exports by (i) improving access of Mongolian exporters to export finance products and services, and (ii) capacity building of exporters and quality improvements in export products. Concept completed on 12 February 2014. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P147438. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Economic Development Tel: (976-51) 264-181/82, E-mail: zoltuya@med.gov.mn, Contact: Ms. B. Zoltuya, Senior Officer, Economic Cooperation.

# Myanmar

# Education

Additional Financing for the Decentralizing Fund to Schools Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 31 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 60.0 (MMSP). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

**National Electrification Project:** The project development objective is to help increase access to electricity in Myanmar. Approval completed on 16 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152936. US\$ 400.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Electric Power Tel: 95-67-410-206, E-mail: deputyminis-termoep2@gmail.com, Contact: Aung Than Oo, Deputy Minister; Ministry of Livestock, Fisheries and Rural Development Tel: 9567408054, E-mail: kzaw.dda@gmail.com, Contact: U Tin Ngwe, Deputy Minister.

# Finance

**Myanmar Financial Sector Development Project:** Financial inclusion is a key priority in Myanmar's development agenda. As such, the Government of Myanmar has recently formulated Myanmar Financial Inclusion Roadmap (2015-2020) that aims at increasing the percentage of adults with access to basic financial services from 30 percent to 40 percent by 2020. The development objective of this IDA operation is to help increase access to financial services by the poor in Myanmar. To achieve this objective, the IDA operation will finance selected government actions, instruments, and activities, including:

(i)Modernizing Financial Infrastructure

(ii)Corporatizating state-owned banks

(iii)Expanding Financial Products to serve the poor

(iv)Strengthening the Legal and Regulatory Framework Concept completed on 27 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P154389. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). No consultants are required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**National Community Driven Development Project:** The development objective is to enable poor rural communities to benefit from improved access to and use of basic infrastructure and services through a people-centered approach and to enhance the Recipient's capacity to respond promptly and effectively to an eligible crisis or emergency. Approval completed on 30 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153113. US\$ 400.0/22.5 (IDA Credit/ITAL). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Papua New Guinea

# Health and other social services

**PNG Urban Youth Employment Project Additional Financing:** The Project's development objectives are to provide urban youth with income from temporary employment opportunities and to increase their employability. Negotiations authorized on 29 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154412. US\$ 10.8 (FSCO). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**PNG RMRP II, Second Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 16 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 7.2 (PNGS). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Water Supply and Sanitation Development Project:** The specific proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to support the implementation of the National WaSH Policy. The PDO will be achieved by (i) supporting the development, establishment and strengthening of the sector institutional and financing structures provided by the Policy, and (ii) utilizing these institutional and financing structures to support improved the access and sustainability of water supply and sanitation (WSS) services in selected district and provincial towns. Concept completed on 12 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155087. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# **Philippines**

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**HARVEST PROJECT:** The PDO will be to generate investment in agriculture and agri-business related activities to create sustainable jobs and income generation opportunities in Bangsamoro. Concept completed on 24 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P153153. US\$130.0/127.0 (IBRD/ZBIL). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Inclusive Partnerships for Agricultural Competitiveness:** The Project Development Objective is to improve access to markets and enhance the competitiveness of smallholder farmers in the targeted Agrarian Reform Community (ARC) clusters. Appraisal completed on 13 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153042. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

Access to Sustainable Energy Project: The proposed grant finances a 20-million euro subsidy fund supporting clean energy solutions and access. It also provides grant support of 9-million euro for institutional strengthening of electricity sector agencies in the Philippines. The institutional strengthening component will be Bank executed. Identification completed on 23 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category F. US\$ 3.0/32.4 (GPBA/PHFS). Consulting services to be determined. Department of Energy Tel: (63-2) 840-2134, E-mail: iexconde@doe.gov.ph, Contact: Irma Exconde, Assistant Director; LGU Guarantee Corporation Tel: (63-2) 751-8764, E-mail: dengorial@lgugc.com, Contact: Lydia Orial, President and CEO.

**Philippines Renewable Energy Development:** The Philippines Renewable Energy Development (PHED) Project is being prepared as an IBRD partial credit guarantee that will be financed by the Clean Technology Fund. With funding from the CTF, a sovereign guarantee from the Government of the Philippines will not be required. The \$44-million from the CTF will be used as call-able cash by a Government program, the Electric Cooperative Partial Credit Guarantee (ECPCG) facility; because it has the status of cash, it may be leveraged many times. ECPCG is an existing, successful program that supports commercial bank lending to electric cooperatives. PHRED will expand the program and extend eligibility for ECPCG support to renewable energy investments in which there is some form of electric cooperative participation, including as a buyer of the output. It is anticipated that PHRED will enable ECPCG to leverage \$500-million in additional private investment in the EC sector over the first five years of CTF guarantee coverage.

The Guarantee instrument used in the Philippines Renewable Energy Development Project is a CTF Guarantee, which, while not directly backing credit risks of loans, indirectly supports partial credit guarantees through the Electric Cooperative Partial Credit Guarantee Program. Therefore, for the purpose of SAP, it is coded as Partial Credit out of the available options of Partial Risk, Partial Credit, or Policy-Based Guarantees. Concept completed on 23 April 2012. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P147646. US\$ 44.0 (CCTF). Consultants will be required. LGU Guarantee Corporation Tel: (63-2) 751-8764, E-mail: dengorial@lgugc.com, Contact: Lydia Orial, President and CEO.

# Health and other social services

**Philippines Social Welfare Development and Reform Project II:** The proposed PDO is to support DSWD to improve the use of health and education services of poor children. Negotiations authorized on 20 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153744. US\$450.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies)

to be determined.

**(N)** Multi Donor Facility - PH Mindanao Reconstruction & Development: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 5 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B.* US\$ 7.0 (PHMF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Multi Donor Facility - PH Mindanao Reconstruction & Development:** To improve social and economic recovery in targeted conflict-affected communities of Mindanao through activities which promote confidence-building, peace and demand-driven governance. Approval completed on 4 August 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147008. US\$ 6.6 (PHMF). Consultants will be required. Mindanao Land Foundation, Inc. Tel: (63-64) 278-3077, E-mail: minlandcmo@minland.ph, Contact: Damaso Vertido, Executive Director; International Labor Organization Tel: (63-2) 580-9900, Email: johnsonl@ilo.org, Contact: Mr. Lawrence Jeff Johnson, Director; Community and Family Services International Tel: (63-91) 7812-8523, E-mail: vhernandez@cfsi.ph, Contact: Vladimir Hernandez, Director, Philippine Programs.

# Transportation

**(R) Metro Manila BRT Line 1 Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve the efficiency, effectiveness and safety of the public transport system along the Project Corridor in Metro Manila in an environmentally sustainable manner. *Appraisal completed on 21 October 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P132401. US\$40.7/24.0 (IBRD/CIF). Consulting services to be determined. Department of Transportation and Communications Tel: (63-2) 723-1507, 727-7960, E-mail: reneklimcaoco@yahoo.com, Contact: Rene Limcaoco, Under Secretary.

### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Metro Manila Flood Management-Phase 1:** The proposed project development objective (PDO) is to reduce flood risks to beneficiaries in flood-prone areas of Metro Manila that are served by targeted pumping stations. The PDO will be achieved through an integrated set of interventions to modernize existing pumping stations and make improvements to appurtenant infrastructure; switch pumps from diesel to electric power where needed; construct new pumping stations to accommodate urban expansion; increase short-term water retention capacity in the drainage areas; reduce the volume of indiscriminately dumped solid waste into waterways by means of community-based programs where feasible; and support community-based resettlement of informal settler families encroaching in easements for drains and waterways linked to the project pumping stations to safer in-city locations. Concept completed on 6 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P153814. US\$300.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Studies for Sustainable Flood Management:** The proposed development objective is to prepare priority projects that aim to improve flood management and resilience in the Greater Metro Manila Area. Approval completed on 12 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P145391. US\$ 7.0 (PHFS). Consultants will be required. Consultants will be required for technical studies (dam and land raising), social and environmental assessments, including detailed social surveys. Department of Public Works and Highways Tel: 304-3000, E-mail: singson.rogelio@dpwh.gov.ph, Contact: Mr. Rogelio Singson, Secretary.

**GEF Metro Manila Flood Management - Phase 1:** The project would initiate comprehensive institutional, technical and community approaches to restoring the water quality and enhancing the economic benefits of the large Manila Bay, pasig River and Laguna Lake system. The project is undoubtedly ambitious, and "full" achievement of the goals will take a period of perhaps 20 years of sustained Government and civil society commitment and effort. Accordingly, the project concept proposes a pragmatic approach, with the sequencing of activities in a way that supports the establishment and operationalization of the necessary institutions, a process that may take some time, while also providing for interim mechanisms that will enable planning and investments to proceed for the "clean-up" and enforcement of environmental laws. Project financing would require a blend of loan and grant funds, and the nature of the task suggests an Adjustable Program Loan (APL) would be appropriate, with the first phase being relatively modest, in keeping with the substantive governance issues to be addressed. The project concept has a solid legal base through the Clean Water Act, and a host of other well formulated environmental laws including the Supreme Court Directives in 2008 and 2011. Incomplete implementation of those laws and regulations is, however, an issue the project would need to address. The project would have five main components: 1) Establishment of the Institutional Framework and Mechanisms for integrated and comprehensive management of the Manila Bay, Pasig River and Laguna Lake system; 2) Implementation of priority environmental infrastructure and LGU-implemented subprojects for water quality and sedimentation mitigation; 3) Monitoring of key pollution and sedimentation parameters; 4) Regulatory strengthening and

Third-Party Monitoring and Reporting on Compliance with Environmental Laws and Regulations; and 5) Community and Civil Society Volunteer Support and Education. Identification completed on 17 November 2011. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 7.4 (GEFU). Consultants will be required. Department of Environment and Natural Resources Tel: (63-2) 929-6626/27/28/29, E-mail: tehanna08@gmail.com, tehanna17@yahoo.com, Contact: Analiza Teh, Undersecretary.

# Samoa

### Transportation

**Samoa Aviation Investment Project Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 14 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Solomon Islands

# Energy and mining

**Tina River Hydropower Development Project:** The proposed project would consist of a 15 MW hydropower plant located on the Tina River, east of Honiara comprising: (i) a 50m-high roller-compacted-concrete (RCC) dam located in a narrow gorge on the Tina river; (ii) a 3.3km headrace tunnel, 3 m in diameter, to convey water from the dam to the power station; (iii) a powerhouse about 3-4 km downstream from the dam site that will house 3x5 MW Francis turbine machines; (iv) 2 parallel (on separate towers) 33kV single circuit transmission lines connecting the power station to the existing Lungga diesel power station; and (v) access roads; and other ancillary facilities. Financing requirements are currently estimated at around US\$120 million. The feasibility studies were substantially completed in March 2014 and include confirmation of a viable site, preparation of preliminary designs for the project and a full safeguards scoping assessment. The project, except the access roads will be implemented by a company to be set up by a private developer to be selected, on a build-own-operate-transfer basis under a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with the state-owned SIEA, which will be guaranteed by the SIG. Concept completed on 17 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P152779. US\$ 2.0/2.0/20.0/100.0 (IDA Credit/GAUL/GUID/ZPCO). Consultants will be required. Consultants will be required for various preparatory studies (environmental and social impact assessment, market and pricing, geological, feasibility) and for dam safety advisory and environmental and social panel of experts. Ministry of Mines, Energy and Rural Electrification Tel: (677) 28-609/25-937, E-mail: ps@mines.gov.sb, Contact: Rene Sore, Permanent Secretary.

**ELECTRICITY ACCESS EXPANSION PROJECT:** 13. The project development objective is to increase access of lowincome households to electricity services in peri-urban and rural areas of Solomon Islands. Concept completed on 15 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151618. US\$ 6.4/4.7/3.0 (CIF/GPBA/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**Solomon Islands Rapid Employment Project Additional Financing:** The proposed new PDO is: to assist targeted vulnerable urban populations in the Recipient's territory to (i) increase their incomes through the provision of short term employment; (ii) improve their knowledge, experience and basic employment skills that are valued in the workplace and society; and (iii) improve their access to services and markets through repaired, more climate resilient roads and access infrastructure. Approval completed on 31 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152709. US\$ 0.5 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Honiara City Council Tel: (677) 21-133/4, E-mail: cityclerk@solomon.com.sb, Contact: Charles Kelley, City Clerk; Ministry of Infrastructure Development Tel: (677) 25-783, E-mail: msv24247@gmail.com, Contact: Moses Virivolomo, Permanent Secretary.

# Timor-Leste

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

Sustainable Agriculture Productivity Improvement Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed

on 27 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 21.0 (TF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Transportation

**Tibar Bay Port Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 19 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$40.0/10.0/50.0/50.0/100.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit/ASDB/EUIB/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Timor Leste Branch Roads Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 1 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$41.3/8.3/25.5 (IBRD/IDA Credit/EUIB). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Tonga

### Information and communications

**TONGA E-Government Support Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 10 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 1.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Transportation

**Tonga Transport Sector Consolidation Project - Additional Financing:** To assist the Recipient to develop its transport sector to have: (i) stronger policy, planning and regulatory institutions and framework; (ii) improved safety and security facilities and compliance with international safety and security standards; and (iii) greater domestic capacity for road rehabilitation and maintenance. Approval completed on 29 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151806. US\$ 2.0/2.0 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Infrastructure and Tourism Tel: (67-6) 23-100, E-mail: pesalilituiano@gmail.com, Contact: Ringo Fa'oliu, CEO.

**Tonga Aviation Investment Project - Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 25 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$ 7.3/0.2 (IDA Grant/PRIF)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Pacific Resilience Program:** Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 19 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P156334. US\$ 4.6 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Tuvalu

# Transportation

**Tuvalu Aviation Investment Project Additional Financing II:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 14 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 2.6 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Vanuatu

# Finance

**Vanuatu Post-Cyclone-PAM SME Finance Facility:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 22 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category F. US\$ 10.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Vanuatu Infrastructure Reconstruction and Improvement Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 15.0/35.0 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Vietnam

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Vietnam Dam Rehabilitation and Safety Improvement Project:** The Project Development Objective is to improve the safety of targeted dams under the Government's Dam Safety Program to protect downstream communities and economic activities through priority investments and capacity enhancement. Negotiations authorized on 31 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P152309. *US\$ 415.0 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. State Bank of Vietnam Tel: 8439343361, E-mail: wbdivision@sbv.gov.vn, Contact: Government of Viet Nam

**(R)** Mekong Delta Integrated Climate Resilience and Sustainable Livelihoods Project: 18. The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to strengthen institutional coordination and planning across the Mekong Delta, and improve resilience of people's livelihoods and assets to climate change in selected vulnerable sub-regions. This will be achieved through (i) strengthening information and decision support systems; (ii) reinforcing institutional coordination, planning and capacity; and (iii) identifying and financing 'low-regret' (\*) investments (structural and non-structural) adopting an integrated "land-scape" approach, in three key sub-regions of the Mekong Delta.

(\*) The UK Climate Change Impacts Programme (UKCIP) defines 'low regret' actions as "adaptive measures for which the associated costs are relatively low and for which the benefits, although primarily realized under projected future climate changes, may be relatively large". *Concept completed on 19 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P153544. US\$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Education

**Vietnam Enhancing Teacher Effectiveness:** The project development objective is to build capacity to assess and improve teachers' effectiveness through quality professional development delivered in schools. Concept completed on 27 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150060. US\$ 95.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Education and Training Tel: (84-4) 3868-4667, E-mail: hdminh@moet.edu.vn, Contact: Mr. Hoang Duc Minh, Director General.

**Renovation of General Education Project:** The Project Development Objective is to raise student learning outcomes by: (i) revising and implementing the curriculum following a competency-based approach; and (ii) improving the effectiveness of instruction by creating and disseminating textbooks aligned with the revised curriculum. Approval completed on 30 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150058. US\$ 77.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Education and Training Tel: 01184985853386, E-mail: dvninh@moet.edu.vn, Contact: Doan Van Ninh, Chair of Standing Unit.

# Energy and mining

**Vietnam Industry Energy Efficiency Financing (VIEEF):** The Project Development Objective is to improve energy efficiency in the industrial sector, and contributing to achieving the government's energy efficiency objectives. There is no constraint on the type and size of industrial sectors to be included in the project. The eligibility will be determined by assessing the energy savings requirements and financial viability of the enterprise.

The Project Development Objective will be achieved through (a) an IBRD Loan to support energy conservation investment lending to selected participating financial institutions (PFIs); and (b) a grant from donors to provide technical assistance and capacity building for improving energy efficiency to PFIs, IEs and ESCOS. Identification completed on 5 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category F. *US*\$200.0/*3.0* (IBRD/*IDA Credit*). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Industry and trade

**Thanh Hoa Industrial and Enterprise Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 96.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Vietnam HCFC Phase-out Project Phase II:** The Project Development Objective is to reduce HCFC consumption in order to contribute to the Government of Vietnam's efforts to comply with its Montreal Protocol phase-out obligations for HCFCs to be met by January 1, 2020. The HCFC phase-out will be done in a manner that maximizes the climate co-benefits through the introduction of no to very low global warming potential (GWP) alternatives. Identification completed on 13 August 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 8.0 (MPIN). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Information and communications

**VIETNAM: IMPROVED LAND GOVERNANCE AND RESOURCES INFORMATION MANGEMENT PROJECT (VILG):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 26 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Service Delivery Reform:** The proposed operation would support the rebalancing of the health service delivery system through a comprehensive approach towards strengthening of the primary health care system, including targetted reforms in the hospital sector that change their current incentives for service provision. An important component towards rebalancing of the service delivery system will be to focus on quality improvement particularly at the primary health care level. Identification completed on 9 September 2010. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Health Tel: (84-4) 3846-4914, E-mail: norred.moh@gmail.com, Contact: Dr. Pham Le Tuan, Director.

#### Transportation

**Vietnam - City Infrastructure Financing Facility (CIFF):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 7 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$300.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Dau Giay-Phan Thiet Expressway Pilot PPP Project:** 10.The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to support the GoV attract private sector expertise and capital for the construction and operation of the Dau Giay-Phan Thiet Expressway. This would be the first transaction under the GoV Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Pilot Program for infrastructure investments. Concept completed on 14 August 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P149484. US\$348.0/277.0/152.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit/ZPCO). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Transport Tel: 84438628987, E-mail: ppp@pmu1.vn, Contact: Mr. Hoang Dinh Phuc, PMU1 Director General.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**(N) Vietnam Urban Water Supply and Wastewater Project - Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 12 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$61.0/61.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**HCMC Flood Risk Management Project:** The proposed Project Development Objective is to reduce flood risk and improve drainage in selected areas in Ho Chi Minh City. Concept completed on 25 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P149696. US\$399.6 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. HCMC Steering Center for the Flood Control Program Tel: 84983157177, E-mail: nhadung.ttcn@tphcm.gov.vn, Contact: Mr. Nguyen Hoang Anh Dung, Deputy Director.

Vietnam Coastal Cities Sustainable Environmental Sanitation Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$46.0/193.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit). Consulting services

to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Vinh Phuc Flood Risk and Water Management Project:** 19. The development objective of the project (PDO) is to strengthen flood management and wastewater management in the central catchment of Vinh Phuc Province.

20. The PDO will be achieved through (i) supporting structural measures for flooding control and river rehabilitation; (ii) improving wastewater collection and treatment in districts, small towns and rural villages; (iii) establishing water resource and water quality monitoring and flooding and emergency response systems; and (iv) institutional development and training for the government departments and water sector practitioners aiming at managing the river basin and water related sectors in an integrated manner. Concept completed on 13 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P152460. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Vinh Phuc Planing and Investment Department Tel: 84-2113842743, E-mail: banqlodavp@gmail.com, Contact: Mr. Nguyen Duc Tai, Deputy Director.

**Can Tho Urban Development and Resilience:** The project objective is to reduce flood risk and increase access to urban services in project areas of Can Tho City. Concept completed on 27 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P152851. *US\$125.0/125.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Regional

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Pacific Regional Program: Practical Climate Resilient Approaches and Tools for Food and Water Security and Coastal Zone Management:** Over the coming decades, climate change will significantly impact the ability of Pacific island countries to maintain adequate food and water supplies and will put at risk vital infrastructure that underpins their economies. Identifying and implementing appropriate adaptation responses is a priority need. By concentrating on the priority areas of food security and infrastructure activities under the "Pacific Regional Program Component 2: Identifying and Implementing practical CCA and Related DRR Knowledge and Experience" will demonstrate how practical knowledge and experience can strengthen capacity at the regional, national and local levels in support of national climate change adaptation and disaster risk management responses. Identification completed on 21 June 2012. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 6.1 (CSCF). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

**Regional Sustainable Energy Industry Development Project:** The project development objective (PDO) is to increase the data availability and capacity of power utilities of the Pacific Island Countries and Papua New Guinea (PNG) to enhance their ability to incorporate and manage renewable energy technologies and long-term disaster risk planning. Approval completed on 29 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152653. US\$ 1.9/3.5/0.3 (CSCF/ESMP/GFDR). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**Pacific Island Regional Road Safety Project:** The project development objective is to improve regional capacity for road safety management, and to strengthen the multi-sectoral coordination and integration of road traffic and crash data in the Pacific Island Countries and Territories. Concept completed on 19 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P151159. US\$ 7.2 (IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Secretariat of the Pacific Community Tel: 6793370733, E-mail: JohnPH@spc.int, Contact: Caroline Tupoulahi-Fusimalohi, Planning Advisor.

# Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Pacific Resilience Program:** The objective of the Program is to strengthen early warning, resilient investments and financial protection of participating countries. Approval completed on 19 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147839. US\$ 3.7/5.8 (IDA Grant/CSCF). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

South East Asia Disaster Risk Management Project: The project development objective is to reduce the vulnerability

of people and assets to natural hazards in targeted disaster-prone areas of Lao PDR, Cambodia and Myanmar. The proposed program will focus on disaster risk management investments that offer immediate opportunities for mutually beneficial regional cooperation. The main activities to be financed under the project are national and regional financial protection mechanisms, hazard-specific risk mitigation investments, and improved forecasting and early warning. The program will include three national investment packages for the countries of Cambodia, Lao PDR, and Myanmar as well as a technical assistance project on regional level to promote coordination and system harmonization in the area of disaster risk management. Identification completed on 21 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 140.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined.

# **Europe And Central Asia**

# Albania

### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Environmental Services Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to support sustainable land management practices and increase communities' monetary and non-monetary benefits in targeted Project areas which are mainly in erosion prone rural upland areas.

This PDO is to be achieved through the support of alternative livelihoods and provision of environmental services and through sustainable utilization of wood and pasture products in the long term. The Project will particularly focus on enhancing the financial, economic, and institutional sustainability of land use and natural resources management, and will help build capacities of Albania farmers, community organizations and government institutions to efficiently use EU funding. Approval completed on 8 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150450. US\$ 10.6 (FSCO). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Environment Tel: 35542259900, E-mail: ardiana.sokoli@moe.gov.al, Contact: Ardiana Sokoli, Director.

#### Information and communications

**Integrated Land Management Project:** The proposed project's development objective would be to contribute to an increase in the efficiency, transparency, reliability and availability of an integrated land management system through integration of key IT systems, and geo-spatial and immovable property information.

The project would achieve these goals by (i) supporting the development of an integrated land management policy and harmonized legal framework; (ii) improving the regulatory environment, business processes, staff capacity and customer orientation in the IPRO; (iii) updating, upgrading and digitizing the paper-based registration information for priority areas of the country; (iv)improving transparency of immovable property ownership and transactions by increasing digital information and on-line access; (v) facilitating spatial data access, exchange and sharing; and (vi) developing a new methodology for valuebased property tax and piloting new approaches for enhancing property taxation. Concept completed on 27 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152094. US\$45.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**ALBANIA PUBLIC FINANCE POLICY BASED GUARANTEE:** Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 27 March 2015. US\$ 226.7 (GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Finance Tel: (355) 69 207-4196, E-mail: eluci@minfin.gov.al.

# Transportation

**Local Economy and Infrastructure Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 4 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$60.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Armenia

# Energy and mining

**Utility Scale Solar Power Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 11 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 9.0/38.5 (CSCC/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Private Gas to Power Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 12 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 45.0/194.0 (GUAR/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Public Sector Modernization Project III:** The project development objective (PDO) is to improve quality of the public financial reporting and to improve access to selected enhanced e-government services. Approval completed on 30 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P149913. US\$21.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**(R)** Local Economy and Infrastructure Development Project: The Project Development Objective is to improve infrastructure services and institutional capacity for increased tourism contribution to local economy in selected regions of Armenia. *Negotiations authorized on 13 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150327. US\$55.0 (IBRD). *Consulting services to be determined.* Consultants will be required for cultural heritage; architectural design of tourism facilities and urban regeneration; detailed design, feasibility studies; and environmental and social assessments. Foreign Financing Projects Management Center (FFPMC) at the Ministry of Finance Tel: /Fax: (374-10) 523-471, E-mail: info@ffpmc.am.

# Azerbaijan

# Energy and mining

**Azerbaijan Power Distribution Modernization:** To improve the quality and reliability of power supply in select rayons in Azerbaijan, and enhance the commercial systems and operations and maintenance practices of Azerirshig. Concept completed on 27 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155983. US\$300.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Health and other social services

**Second Rural Investment Project Additional Financing:** The AzRIP projects, under implementation since 2005, have garnered widespread recognition for delivery of solid,tangible and dynamic results on the ground in improving people's lives though the upgrading of rural communities' access to infrastructure services, improved mobility, and increased farmers' incomes. A keen emphasis on sustainable infrastructure, maintenance contracts, and accountability has helped ensure that over 90 percent of infrastructure rehabilitated under the purview of AzRIP is operational. The income of over 600,000 farmers has increased, and 150,000 rural poor now have access to safe water. AzRIP-2 is a multisector investment loan targeting 600 communities in 56 rayons for community-driven rural infrastructure investments and livelihood support. The proposed Additional Financing would continue to prioritize provision of improved access to and use of community-driven rural infrastructure and expand economic activities for rural households through financing of priority rural infrastructure investments,

strengthening the capacity of communities in partnership with municipalities and local support institutions to effectively identify, plan, and implement their development priorities; and building opportunities for rural employment and livelihood support services. The AF would comprise three components - one to extend delivery of community rural infrastructure (additional rounds of grants to participating communities and service to new coverage areas), the second to scale up the livelihood pilots, expanding the productive investment livelihoods component and the third to pilot a lifeline roads concept (with clusters of communities and a focus on local connecting roads). Approval completed on 9 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147861. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. AZRIP PMU in State Agency on Agricultural Credit Tel: /Fax: (994-12) 493-4813, E-mail: subhan@azrip.org, Contact: Soubhan Asgerov, Project Director.

Additional Financing to IDP Living Standards and Livelihoods Project: The objective of the Project is to improve living conditions and increase the economic self-reliance of targeted internally displaced persons. Identification completed on 12 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Health Sector Reform II Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) would be to improve quality and availability of health-care services and strengthen the capacity of the Health authorities to manage the health system (stewardship). The proposed Project will have 4 components: (a) Building MoH capacity for stewardship; (b) Improving delivery of health care services; (c) Developing human resources; (d) Project management, monitoring and evaluation. The proposed Project would closely follow the Health Sector Reform Project-HSRP, which is due to close July 1, 2013. Identification completed on 22 March 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$30.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Health Tel: (994-12) 493-2977, E-mail: sabdullayev65@yahoo.com.

### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**SOCIAL PROTECTION MODERNIZATION PROJECT:** To improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Social Protection system Identification completed on 26 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$30.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**State Agency on Service to Citizens and Social Innovation:** The Azerbaijan State Agency on Service to Citizens and Social Innovation (ASAN) under the President of Azerbaijan was established in July 2012 and began functioning from September 6, 2012. The President of Azerbaijan asked the World Bank to meet with the Agency and explore cooperation and piloting innovative approaches to delivery and financing of public services. The Agency is designed as a high-profile umbrella entity to facilitate delivery of key public services in a transparent, efficient, ethical and non-bureaucratic manner. It has been allocated AZN 2 million from the President's Reserve Fund for 2012 and is establishing its first 3 pilot service facilities ('ASAN xidmet' centers) in rented premises in Baku; the first will be functional by December 31, 2012 and the other 2 by June 30, 2013. Asan has ambitious expansion and development plans on an accelerated timetable and through this project the Bank will provide assistance to:

(i) agency capacity-building, especially human resource development (HRD) functions, ethical behavior training, software applications (e.g. workflow automation and Document Management System);

(ii) establishing information & communications technology (ICT) which includes call centers. The Agency is urgently seeking to develop standards, protocols and implementation arrangements for such a service;

(iii) developing and optimizing electronic services (e.g. SMS notifications from and to users) and upgrading and modernizing infrastructure to facilitate e-service delivery;

(iv) development and implementation of the legal, regulatory and institutional framework for e-services (including their governance and infrastructure)

(v) establish mobile service delivery units and developing and implementing service facility design standards; and (vi) support policies and procedure to promote service delivery mechanisms leading to more gender-equal outcomes. Identification completed on 19 February 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$25.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Transportation

**REGIONAL ROADS DEVELOPMENT PROJECT:** The proposed Project development objectives are (i) to improve access to markets and services through the reconstruction and rehabilitation of project roads and (ii) to progress towards maintenance sustainability of the Borrower's road network. Appraisal completed on 29 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P122200. US\$250.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. AzerRoadService (ARS) Tel: (994-12)493-0045, E-mail: info@piu-ahp.az, Contact: Adil Gojayev, Director, Project Implementation Unit.

**Azerbaijan Highway 3 Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 22 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. *US\$224.0 (IBRD)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**National Water Supply & Sanitation Project - Additional Financing:** The Development Objective (DO) of the AF is to scale up improvement of the quality and reliability of water supply and expand water supply and sanitation services in selected regional (rayon) centers in Azerbaijan. This objective will be achieved through rehabilitation and reconstruction of water supply and sanitation infrastructure in rayons outside the Greater Baku Area. Identification completed on 23 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$130.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Absheron Lakes Cleanup and Rehabilitation: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 2 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$68.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Belarus

### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Forestry Development Project:** The Project Development Objective is to enhance silvicultural management and reforestation and afforestation, increase the use of felling residues and improve the public good contribution from forests in targeted forest areas. Approval completed on 27 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 2.7 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**(R)** Belarus Health System Modernization Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 22 July 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Industry and trade

**Belarus Competitiveness Enhancement Project:** The proposed project will enhance business environment, promote FDI as well as support innovation and entrepreneurship. It will also increase SME export competitiveness by facilitating trade through improving product standards by harmonization to EU norms. Identification completed on 25 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**BELARUS PFM MODERNIZATION PROJECT:** 12. This operation will support Government's PFM reforms, Financial Management Information System (FMIS) design and FMIS implementation as a series of investment projects financed by two IBRD credits. The project development objective (PDO) for the series is to improve efficiency and transparency of the national public finance management system of Belarus.

13. PDO for the first operation in this series is to develop a) the regulatory framework for budget preparation, execution, accounting and reporting and b) the specifications and implementation arrangements for a new Financial Management Information System that will support implementation of the regulatory framework. The Second operation will focus on establishment of the new FMIS. Concept completed on 2 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P146997. US\$10.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Bosnia and Herzegovina

# Health and other social services

**(R) Health Sector Project:** The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to help improve efficiency and quality of health service delivery by strengthening systems for quality assurance, monitoring, and integration of care, improving hospital efficiency, and strengthening strategic purchasing of health care. *Concept completed on 19 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149920. US\$22.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Bosnia and Herzegovina Employment Support Program:** The project will support active labor market interventions to expand their coverage and scope and support public employment services and centers for social work to improve their functions to facilitate entry to the labor market. Identification completed on 20 August 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R) Bosnia and Herzegovina: Management of Fiscal Resources for Growth:** The operation's objective is to strengthen the efficiency and transparency of the management of fiscal resources for boosting growth in BiH. This DPL utilizes a window of opportunity to advance the reform agenda on public finances, where the Government has demonstrated clear commitment among which are the areas of fiscal resources and debt management, public procurement, transparency. The effective and transparent management of fiscal resources will help improve not only fiscal stability and transparency in the economic governance of the economy, but also contribute to growth by opening opportunities for private sector development and job. The reforms supported by this operation are politically difficult, but bring notable benefits for strengthening the efficiency and transparency of public finances at the state and at the entities level. *Identification completed on 4 February 2014. Environmental Assessment Category U.* US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**Federation Road Sector Modernization Project:** The Overall Development Objective of the Transport Sector Modernization Program (TSMP) is to improve transport connectivity of the country along priority transport links and to support improvements in transport operations and asset management practices. The Program is multi-phased with a First Phase including road sections in FBH.

The Project Development Objectives of the First Phase of the TSMP are to: (i) improve road connectivity, road use efficiency and road safety along project roads and (ii) progress towards more efficient management of the road network including road asset management in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Concept completed on 25 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P152406. US\$54.9/37.5 (IBRD/EUIB). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Second Solid Waste Management Project Additional Financing - EC IPA:** The objective is to improve the availability, quality, environmental soundness, and financial viability of solid waste management services in participating utilities/regions. Approval completed on 18 December 2012. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 6.0 (F7U4). Consulting services to be determined. FBiH Ministry of Environment and Tourism Tel: (387-33) 726-374, E-mail: sswmp@fmoit.gov.ba, Contact: Mr. Anto Covic, Team Leader; RS Ministry of Spatial Planning Tel: (387-51) 339-504, E-mail: s.cvijic@mgr.vladars.net, swmp2@mgr.vladars.net, Contact: Mr. Sveto Cvijic, Team Leader.

# Bulgaria

# Finance

**Deposit Insurance Strengthening Project:** The proposed project will support the authorities' efforts to restore the stability of financial sector in the light of the recent bank failures. In particular, the project will help improve the financial and institutional capacity of Bulgaria's Deposit Insurance Fund, in order to maintain the confidence of depositors and make the strengthen the financial safety net. Identification completed on 9 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. *US\$332.8 (IBRD)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**(N) Bulgaria Corridor Upgrade Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 19 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category A*. US\$450.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Croatia

# Finance

**Croatia Export Financing Guarantee Operation:** The main project development objective is to support HBOR's move towards market-based funding, through a Partial Credit Guarantee (PCG). Secondary objective include supporting investment projects in Croatia by providing medium and long-term funding. The design of the instrument underlying the proposed IBRD guarantee is driven by the HBOR's debt management objectives and the expected on-lending operations that will be catalyzed. The structure should allow the borrower to secure the much-needed financing at reasonable costs, while also minimizing transaction risk in a climate of volatility. In addition, the volume targeted should be matched against HBOR's ability to deliver on-lending quickly and efficiently, in order to minimize any potential negative carry costs, associated with disbursing the funding early and earning marginal returns while eligible project lending is organized. Approval completed on 27 June 2013. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P133471. US\$ 256.4 (GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Croatian Bank for Reconstruction and Development Tel: (385-1) 459-1586, E-mail: bberkovic@hbor.hr, Contact: B. Berkovic

# Transportation

**Modernization and restructuring of the road sector:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 11 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$167.4/279.3/1340.8 (IBRD/EBRD/GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Georgia

# Industry and trade

**Georgia National Innovation Ecosystem (GENIE) Project:** The project development objective is to enhance the national innovation ecosystem in Georgia to stimulate the growth of innovative activities and expand rural Internet connectivity. Concept completed on 7 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152441. US\$40.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**(N)** Second Regional Development Project Additional Financing: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 5 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Secondary Road Asset Management Project:** The proposed project will support sustainable urban development and improved connectivity in an area around the Chorokhi River outflow into the Black Sea, linking the south of Batumi and Gonio. The Project will support environmental rehabilitation and conservation measures in the area as well as the construction of a

bridge, pathways. Identification completed on 2 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Roads Department Tel: (995-32) 381-633, E-mail: roaddepdalakishvili@yahoo.com.

**East-West Highway Corridor Improvement:** The proposed PDOs are to: (i) reduce road user costs along the East-West Highway Corridor section upgraded under the project; and (ii) strengthen the capacity of the Roads Department and the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development to respectively manage the road network and provide an enabling environment to improve logistics services. Negotiations authorized on 30 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P149952. US\$140.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Roads Department Tel: (995-32) 381-633, E-mail: roaddepdalakishvili@yahoo.com.

# Kazakhstan

#### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Kazakhstan Third Irrigation and Drainage Improvement Project:** The objective of the Project is to improve irrigation and drainage service delivery to support farmers in the Project areas. Identification completed on 10 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$350.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Forestry Development Project:** The project development objective is to enhance forest management and environmental rehabilitation in targeted areas, while contributing to the sequestration and reduced emissions of carbon, and increasing local livelihood opportunities Concept completed on 15 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153673. US\$30.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Education

**Education Modernization Project:** The development objective of the project is to enhance the quality of primary and secondary education in Kazakhstan. The direct beneficiaries are about one million students, teachers and other stakeholders in more than 4,000 rural and underserved urban schools. Concept completed on 13 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P153496. *US\$100.0 (IBRD)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Kazakhstan - Youth Corps program:** The proposed Project Development Objective is to promote young people's community engagement and life skills through a community-based service learning program, especially for vulnerable youth. Approval completed on 26 March 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P127966. US\$ 21.8 (TF). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Education and Science of RK Tel: (7-7172) 742-335, E-mail: m\_kozhakhmet@edu.gov.kz, Contact: Roza Karibzhanova, Director of the Youth Policy Department.

#### Finance

**Kazakhstan: Southeast Europe and Central Asia Catastrophe Risk Insurance Facility:** 11. The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to assist Kazakhstan with developing modern catastrophe insurance market infrastructure that will support the launch of innovative catastrophe insurance products covering the risks of extreme weather variability.

12.By facilitating and increasing access to financial protection, the Global Environmental Objective (GEO) will have been achieved, namely the reduction of economic vulnerability for homeowners, the enterprise sector, and government agencies to the adverse impact of natural disasters and climate change. The proposed project activities support GEF's focus on climate change and more specifically, GEF's objectives on climate change adaptation. By increasing access to sound catastrophe and weather risk insurance products, SEECA CRIF is also in line with the GEF strategy on adaptation. By supporting proper catastrophe risk management and risk transfer, SEECA CRIF reduces economic losses at both local and national level from extreme weather related events, thereby reducing economic vulnerability and creating a more climate resilient country.

13.SEECA CRIF activities are also cross-cutting and collaborative, ensuring the engagement of major stakeholders in Kazakhstan, including several ministries, the National Bank, insurance sector and agriculture. Moreover, because much of the technical work will be focused on establishing complex catastrophe insurance infrastructure and systems, stakeholders will gain the requisite skills and knowledge to better understand catastrophe risk and effectively adapt to such risks and climate change. Furthermore, public awareness of climate change and the benefits of catastrophe and weather risk insurance will be raised through information campaigns and the new law on compulsory Disaster Insurance and supporting its regulations, resulting in increased demand for catastrophe and weather risk insurance products.

14.Although the project has been designed specifically for Kazakhstan, it can be easily replicated in other countries adversely affected by climate change through the extension of existing market infrastructure and insurance services to be developed for Kazakhstan to other country markets. Concept completed on 25 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P152230. *US\$ 5.0 (GEFU)*. Consulting services to be determined. Europa Re Tel: 41432221609, E-mail: hansjuerg.appenzeller@homburger.ch.

**SME Line of Credit:** The project development objective is to improve SME access to sustainable enterprise lending. Concept completed on 29 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P154975. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Health and other social services

**Social Health Insurance Project: Improving Access, Quality, Efficiency and Financial Protection:** The proposed Project Development Objectives is to contribute to improve access, quality, and efficiency of health service delivery, and reduce the financial risk of the population due to health shocks. Concept completed on 10 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152625. US\$180.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Health and Social Development Tel: 77172742816, E-mail: tokezhanov@mail.ru, Contact: Bolat Tokezhanov, Project Coordinator.

### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**CLIMATE ADAPTATION AND MITIGATION PROGRAM FOR ARAL SEA BASIN SOP II:** The proposed Development Objective of this second project in the series is to support Kazakhstan's participation in CAMP4ASB for the country to benefit from enhanced, regionally-coordinated access to improved climate change knowledge services for key stakeholders(e.g., policy makers, communities, and civil society), as well as to increased investments and capacity building that, combined, will address climate challenges common to Central Asian countries.

CAMP4ASB seeks to help Central Asian countries build upon the benefits of cooperation while pursuing national priorities for climate-smart development. The Program will lay the foundation for an institutional platform for regional cooperation on climate change across a broad range of sectors. This will be the first such platform in Central Asia that will provide access to improved climate change knowledge services for climate change assessment and decision-making and to increased financing and technical assistance for climate investments in priority areas common to Central Asian countries.

Given the scope of the Program, it is processed as an interdependent Series of Projects, or SoP, involving multiple borrowers. The split between the first and second project in SoP is mostly linked to a different pace of processing instruments and countries' own project cycles (e.g., Kazakhstan's requirement for Feasibility Study prior to completing preparation and preparing RAS support for Turkmenistan). The SoP approach provides here the framework to establish a platform for high-level policy and regulatory harmonization, cooperation, and coordination between countries aiming towards achieving benefits that will go beyond each country's boundaries. This approach is designed to allow borrowers to tackle issues shared regionally (e.g., common and shared climate change challenges, as in the present instance) and to generate positive externalities/public goods (e.g., in the case of CAMP4ASB: economies of scale through shared research and knowledge efforts, faster learning through experience-sharing for replication and scaling-up across countries of successful climate innovation, increased mobilization of resources through concerted action, scaling up through complementarity). Expected benefits from such a SoP approach (as opposed to a succession of individual national projects) include greater impact from coordination as explained above, higher visibility and attention (e.g., in terms of attracting resources), and stronger identity, creating synergy and learning across individual country operations (e.g., opportunities for building on CAMP4ASB's climate knowledge services, including lessons from the Program-financed climate investments, to develop climate-smart plans and programs). These benefits will be measured as key results from the Program.

There are three broad categories of benefits to Kazakhstan from its participation in the Program:

•Greater climate resilience for investments in critical sectors. The Program will provide grants and technical assistance to communities and villages to improve productivity and safeguard key economic sectors facing climate change risks. Evidence from similar activities implemented in comparable agro-ecozones of other Central Asian countries show such measures can yield substantial increase in agriculture productivity and income, in a very cost-effective manner and within just a few years. Finally, experience from community-driven approaches, which combine direct support for rural economic production and resilience coupled with awareness raising and capacity building activities, indicates that such approaches engender cost-effective investments, local ownership, improved operation and management skills, thereby enabling sustainability of investments and their replication and scaling-up.

•Enhanced capacity for country's long-term, climate-smart development. The Program will also ensure that national stakeholders (e.g., government agencies overseeing climate-sensitive sectors, civil society, academia) have access to improved climate knowledge services (e.g., data, information, and tools for climate assessments and decision-making) and participate in regional knowledge and experience sharing (e.g., on lessons from climate investments financed under the Program in all countries). Through this collaborative mechanism, there is potential for Kazakhstan to learn (faster) from climate-smart practices and technologies that worked well in similar context in other Central Asian countries as well as from policy and institutional frameworks (e.g., to prepare an adaptation strategy and to strengthen multi-sector coordination on adaptation).

•Increased potential to attract resources for climate action. The development partners have been closely associated with the Program's preparation and are showing increased interest for the regional platform it is building in order to scale up support for climate action in Central Asia. Given its regional ambit, the Program has high potential for attracting additional donor resources and international visibility to the region. A funding proposal for the Green Climate Fund (GCF) is under preparation as per which about \$7 million in concessional resources are envisaged for Kazakhstan, virtually all to support and scale-up climate investments. Concept completed on 12 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153748. US\$10.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Transportation

**Center West Regional Development Corridor:** 22. The Project Development Objective is to increase transport connectivity and efficiency within the regions along the Center-West corridor and to stimulate provision of access to basic services in less developed, remote, and sparsely populated regions. Concept completed on 17 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P153497. *US\$1051.7 (IBRD)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Center South Road Corridor Project:** To improve the transport and freight connectivity and productivity between the growth poles of Almaty and Astana through the second-tier city of Karaganda, and improve road operations and road asset management. Concept completed on 26 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P153501. US\$2183.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Hazardous and POPs Waste Management Project:** The proposed Development Objective is to create hazardous waste treatment capacity in compliance with international environmental standards and to reduce contamination of Kazakhstan's natural resources and public health risks of exposure to this contamination from selected PCB contaminated sites. The overall Global Environment Objective of the proposed project is to reduce the environmental and health hazards associated with stockpiles of PCBs-containing materials and waste and POPs-based pesticides, by eliminating stockpiles, establishing a treatment facility and safeguarding sites contaminated with these materials consistent with the country's obligations under the Stockholm Convention. For this purpose, the Global Environmental Facility has in principle approved a US\$10.35 million Grant. The Project will achieve its objective through: (i) development of a treatment/destruction facility for POPs/PCBs waste and extending the use of this facility for the destruction of other suitable categories of hazardous waste including old stocks of pesticides; (ii) remediation of selected historic PCBs contaminated waste disposal sites; and (iii) related to the site remediation investment program, disposing the PCBs waste, PCBs equipment and PCBs contaminated soil with hazardous waste classification from these sites in the constructed facility in line with the Stockholm Convention The proposed project would have four components: (1) development of a treatment/destruction facility; (2) remediation of selected historic PCB contaminated soil; (3) development of regulatory framework for industrial hazardous waste management and institutional capacity building; and (4) project management. Identification

completed on 16 October 2013. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 10.4 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Syr Darya Control and Northern Aral Sea Project, Phase 2:** The project development objectives (PDOs) are to improve flood management capacity and improve water provision for developing aquaculture and other socioeconomic activities in the project areas along the lower Syr Darya. Appraisal completed on 30 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152001. US\$107.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Agriculture, Committee for Water Resources Tel: 7172-742696, E-mail: loan8277idip2@gmail.com, Contact: Islam Abishev, Chairman.

Kazakhstan Solid Waste Management Project: Kazakhstan is facing a serious problem to effectively manage its solid waste. According to the country's environmental authorities, Kazakhstan has accumulated 23 billion tons of solid waste and the amount is increasing at an alarming rate of 700 million tones each year. Currently, municipal waste is placed in landfills without pre-sorting or neutralization. Most landfills do not meet sanitation requirements and need remediation. Little effort is put in separating municipal waste at source. The country recycles only 3-5% of all garbage. About half million tons of paper and cardboard, 300,000 tons of glass, 200,000 tons of metal and 500,000 tons of plastic are disposed of as trash each year. The Kazakh Government has recently approved a long-term waste management program for the modernization of solid waste management for 2014-2050. The government is committed to improving municipal SWM services with a range of activities from improving waste collection and disposal facilities, to increasing waste recycling and reduction efforts, to legal and institutional strengthening and public awareness and participation. Solid waste management is an area highlighted the Partnership Framework Arrangements between the Kazakh Government and international development and financing institutions including the World Bank. A SWM project is included in the pipeline of PFA for the World Bank. The proposed project aims to assist the government to modernize and improve SWM systems in selected municipalities in Kazakhstan namely Almaty and Astana as suggested in the PFA. The investment activities, subject to further discussion with the government, may cover waste collection, disposal, separation and recycling, as well as technical support to institutional and implementation capacity strengthening and public-private participation. Identification completed on 18 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Hazardous and Persistent Organic Pollutants Waste Management Project:** The proposed Development Objective is to create a hazardous and POPs waste treatment facility with appropriate environmental controls and to remediate selected PCB contaminated sites, reduce public and environmental exposure to these now contaminated lands

The Project will achieve its objective through: (i) creation of a facility to treat hazardous and POPs waste with appropriate environmental controls; (ii) remediation of selected historic PCBs contaminated waste disposal sites; and (iii) disposing the PCBs waste, PCBs equipment and PCBs contaminated soil with hazardous waste classification from these sites, remediated under the Project, in the constructed facility in line with the Stockholm Convention. Concept completed on 28 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P114830. US\$34.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Energy Tel: 77172740257, E-mail: b.shakhanov@energo.gov.kz, Contact: Beibut Shakhanov, Director, Waste Management Department.

# Kosovo

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Kosovo Water Security and Canal Protection Project:** The development objective of the project is to improve the Iber-Lepenc Canal efficiency and strengthen the Iber Basin protection and management. This will be achieved through investing in ensuring the canal structural safety, improving the canal conveyance and operational efficiencies, protecting the canal water from the major pollution effluents, and developing the technical capacity of theservice provider, the Iber Company, as well as of the water-resource regulator, the Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning (TBC). Concept completed on 23 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P133829. US\$ 29.1 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning Tel: (381-38) 2003-2307, E-mail: arben.citaku@ks-gov.net, Contact: Mr. Arben Citaku

# Education

Education System Improvement Project: The Project Development Objective is to strengthen selected systems that contribute to quality, accountability, and efficiency improvements in education in the Republic of Kosovo. Approval completed on 10 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P149005. US\$ 11.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Education, Science and Technology Tel: 381(0) 38 244 974, E-mail: arsim.bajrami@rks-gov.net, Contact: Xhavit Dakaj, General Secretary.

# Energy and mining

**Environmentally and Socially Sustainable Mining Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 27 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Kosovo Power Project:** IDA partial risk guarantee in support of a private sector independent power producer and lignite mining company, to be selected under the Lignite Power TA Project (P097635). Concept completed on 4 August 2011. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P118287. US\$ 40.0/725.0/725.0 (GUID/ZBIL/ZEXP). No consultants are required. Ministry of Economic Development Tel: (381-38) 2002-1505, E-mail: agron.dida@ks-gov.net, Contact: Mr. Besim Beqaj, Minister.

# Industry and trade

**Kosovo: Competitiveness and Jobs:** Enhance Kosovo's competitiveness and impact on employment by facilitating trade, fostering SME growth, and improving labor market intermediation and relevance of vocational training. Concept completed on 6 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152881. Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Kyrgyz Republic

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Integrated Forest Ecosystem Management:** The Project Development Objective is to strengthen the capacity of government institutions and communities to improve sustainable forest ecosystem management through investments in management planning, ecosystem restoration, and infrastructure. Negotiations authorized on 3 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151102. US\$ 12.0 (IDA Credit). No consultants are required. State Agency for Environmental Protection and Forestry of the Kyrgyz Republic Tel: Tel: +996 312 610-016, E-mail: min-eco@elcat.kg, min-eco@elcat.kg, envforest@elca, Contact: Atajanov Sabir Sadykjanovich, Director of the SAEPF.

**AGRICULTURE PRODUCTIVITY AND NUTRITION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT:** The proposed project development objective is to increase agricultural productivity and food and nutrition security of rural households in selected areas nationwide. Negotiations authorized on 10 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P132754. US\$ 38.0 (GAFS). Consulting services to be determined. Department of Water Resources Tel: 996312549110, E-mail: on-farmir@elcat.kg, Contact: Barataly Koshmatov, PIU Director.

**Integrated Forest Ecosystem Management:** The Global Environmental Objective is to strengthen the capacity of government institutions and communities to improve sustainable forest ecosystem management through investments in management planning, ecosystem restoration, and infrastructure. Appraisal completed on 5 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153721. US\$ 4.1 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Integrated Dairy Productivity Improvement Project:** The development objective of the project it to contribute to achievement of the Dairy Sector Development Program objectives by improving animal feeding, breeding and management practices in the project area, as well as animal health care and veterinary services, through investments and training support.

The overall development objective of the Dairy Sector Development Project in the Kyrgyz Republic is to improve export potential of Kyrgyz dairy products to neighboring countries (Russia and Kazakhstan), increase incomes of dairy farmers, and create new jobs along the dairy supply chain. Concept completed on 27 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155412. US\$ 5.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

**Heat Supply Improvement Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$ 13.8/11.3 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**(N)** Capacity Building in Public Financial Management 2: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 10 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category C*. US\$ 7.0 (FSSP). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Judicial Development Project:** The objective of the Judicial Development Project is to: (1) provide the Kyrgyz judiciary with the administration, facilities and expanded capacity necessary to improve the efficiency and quality of judicial operations and services; and (2) to improve access to and awareness of judicial services. The Project will support the Kyrgyz authorities with the implementation of their justice sector priorities based on their Judicial Reform Strategy. Identification completed on 28 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 12.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Capacity Building for Public Sector Accounting Reform:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 5 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 0.2 (SAFE). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R)** Urban Development Project: The PDO of the project is to improve the quality of municipal services and pilot energy efficiency and seismic resilience retrofits of urban infrastructure in participating towns. *Appraisal completed on 10 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151416. US\$ 6.6/5.4 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Third Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Project:** The proposed Third Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Project (RWSSP-3) is part of a programmatic framework, for which a vision was already laid out in the 'National Program for Water Supply and Sanitation' approved by the Government in September 2014. Accordingly, RWSSP-3 will have a stronger focus on assisting the Government in the development of service delivery options and building up the management capacity of community and local government entities as well as the overall oversight, planning and advisory capacity of State sector authorities. The DO for the proposed new project will be:

'To assist the Kyrgyz Republic in i) improving water supply and sanitation services for the target rural communities, and ii) building up capacities at all levels of State and local sector institutions in the WSS sector. Concept completed on 4 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154778. US\$ 13.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Macedonia, former Yugoslav Republic of

# Energy and mining

**Macedonia Energy Efficiency Fund for Public Buildings:** The project would develop and capitalize a revolving fund to finance energy efficiency improvements in public buildings. The fund would directly support the Government's National Program for Energy Efficiency in Public Buildings and meet its energy savings targets for the building sector as committed under the Energy Community Treaty. Identification completed on 19 March 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$20.0/10.0 (IBRD/ECSE). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Economy Tel: (389-2) 309-3489, E-mail: neriman.dzeladini@economy.gov.mk.

**Macedonia Gas Sector Development:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 27 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Industry and trade

**(R)** Local and Regional Competitiveness Project: The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to enhance the contribution of tourism to local economic development and improve the capacity of the government and public entities to invest in tourism growth and facilitate destination management. *Appraisal completed on 20 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154263. *US\$ 19.4 (F7U4)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Information and communications

**Digital Macedonia:** The development objective of this project is twofold: (1) to support GoM in its transformation of public service delivery through a shared public sector infrastructure platform and innovative applications with particular focus on poor communities in targeted areas; and (2) to increase FYR Macedonia's competitiveness and support income generation and poverty reduction for under- and unemployed by extending broadband Internet connectivity to vulnerable groups, and building on this connectivity by leveraging and catalyzing the growth of ICT-enabled jobs. Identification completed on 14 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$11.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**Second Municipal Services Improvement Project:** The proposed Development Objective of MSIP2 Project (PDO) is to improve transparency, financial sustainability and inclusive delivery of targeted municipal services in the participating municipalities. Negotiations authorized on 19 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154464. US\$28.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Moldova

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Moldova Climate Adaptation & Forestry Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 11 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 4.0 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(N)** Moldova Agriculture Competitiveness Project 2nd Additional Financing: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 29 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$20.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Moldova Agriculture Competitiveness Project Additional Financing:** The Project Development Objective is to enhance the competitiveness of the agro-food sector by supporting the modernization of the food safety management system, facilitating market access for farmers, and mainstreaming agro-environmental and sustainable land management practices. Approval completed on 19 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154238. US\$ 12.0 (IDA Credit). No consultants are required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Moldova Climate Adaptation & Forestry Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 11 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Education

**Moldova Education Reform Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 13 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 15.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Energy and mining

Moldova District Heating Efficiency Improvement Partial Credit Guarantee: The objective of the proposed project is to improve the operational efficiency and commercial viability of the district heating (DH) services in Chisinau. This component is Component 2: Debt restructuring and financing of debt repayment (IDA Partial Credit Guarantee: US \$ 40 million, IDA allocation: US\$ 10 million). This component will support the Government in preparing a debt restructuring plan and provide a guarantee for credit enhancement on Moldova Sovereign or new integrated company borrowing. Such credit enhancement would be essential to raising commercial financing on terms that would allow repayment of the debt stock on a sustainable, long-term basis to limit the financial burden of the restructuring on Chisinau residents and Moldova. For a new entity such as the integrated company, a structured Partial Credit Guarantee (PCG) from the Bank would also help it start establishing credit on the loan and capital markets. Using an IDA PCG is expected to leverage Moldova's IDA capital envelope. The partial nature of the PCG provides for risk sharing with the market while offering comprehensive risk cover for a specified component of the financing. Depending on market conditions, a PCG cover of 30-50% of debt service cash flows (principal + interest) may be sufficient to considerably improve the available financing terms. This means that a \$10 million tranche of IDA country allocation used as a \$40m Bank PCG could help raise \$80-120 million of financing from commercial sources. Currently, Partial Credit Guarantees (PCGs) are only available for IBRD countries. OPCS, in consultation with CFP/SDN and other corporate and regional units is developing a revised policy package which will introduce the PCGs in IDA countries. Such proposals have been discussed at CODE and have received positive response from all stakeholders. It is expected that the revised Guarantee policy paper and associated OP/BPs for the use of IBRD and IDA Guarantees would be presented to CODE in December 2012, and to the Board in Q3FY13. It should be noted that only 25% of guarantee exposure would be counted against the country exposure limit - such leverage for IDA guarantees was approved in 2004. Therefore, for the proposed IDA PCG operation of \$40 million, only \$10 million would be counted against the country limit. Concept completed on 1 February 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P143870. US\$ 80.0/138.0 (GUAR/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Economy Tel: (373-22) 250-554, E-mail: vadim.ceban@mec.gov.md.

### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Disaster and Climate Risk Management Project Additional Financing:** The Project development objective (PDO) is to strengthen the State Hydro meteorological Service's ability to forecast severe weather and improve Moldova's capacity to prepare for and respond to natural disasters. Approval completed on 19 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148125. US\$ 2.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R)** Modernization of Government Services in the Republic of Moldova: The proposed project development objective is to improve the access to, efficiency of delivery, and quality of selected government administrative services. *Concept completed on 3 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P148537. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Tax Administration Modernization Project:** The development objective of the Tax Administration Modernization Project (TAMP) is to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the tax system through strengthened voluntary compliance, reduced compliance costs, enhanced professionalism and integrity of STI staff and the use of modern technology.

The long-term vision is a tax administration with streamlined business processes supported by risk-based compliance management, effective use of electronic communication with taxpayers, skilled and professional staff, contributing to an efficient, client-oriented tax administration characterized by fairness, honesty and transparency. The modernized tax administration will improve the business environment and thereby increase country's competitiveness.

This project supports the Government of Moldova's Tax Administration Reform Strategy for 2011-15. The strategy focuses on increasing voluntary compliance and improved service delivery to taxpayers through modernization of institutional procedures and use of modern information technology. The MoF leadership and STI top management requested the World Bank support for tax administration reform. There continues to be a high level of demand for and commitment to tax administration reform from the MoF, top management of the STI as well as buy-in from staff at the STI. Concept completed on 29 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P127734. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Main State Tax Inspectorate Tel: 0037322823353, E-mail: mail@fisc.md, Contact: Irina Lupascu, Chief of Section for Strategic Development & Implementation.

# Transportation

**(R)** Local Roads Improvement Project: The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to provide safe and sustainable local road accessibility to education, health and market facilities along selected corridors. *Approval completed on 30 October 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150357. US\$15.0/65.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**OPS - Len - Test projects - \$%^:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 19 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category F. US\$40.0/5.0/800.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit/ITFC). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Montenegro

# Health and other social services

**Health System Efficiency and Quality Improvement Project:** The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to support activities to increase efficiency of health expenditures and improve quality of care for priority NCDs Concept completed on 19 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149752. *US\$15.0 (IBRD)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Industry and trade

**Montenegro Competitiveness and Job Creation:** Investment Lending Operation to support Competitiveness and Job Creation in Montenegro Identification completed on 29 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**(R) Revenue Administration Reform:** The development objective of the project is to improve effectiveness of operational functions and reduce the compliance burden on taxpayers. The higher level goal is to increase overall revenues.

The long-term vision is a tax administration that operates with a higher capacity to streamline risk-based business processes that contribute to the efficient collection of taxes and social contributions that are owed from all sources of economic activity. Increased compliance will generate a more robust revenue stream to provide essential services to citizens. Improvements in capacity will also support the country's goal for EU accession and economic integration with EU member states. *Appraisal completed on 4 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P149743. US\$11.2 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Montenegro Tax Administration Tel: +382 206 58 063, E-mail: veljko.blagojevic@tax.gov.me, Contact: Milan Lakicevic, Director.

**(N)** Subnational Finance Sustainability Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category C.* US\$30.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Romania

# Health and other social services

**Integrated Social Services Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 4 February 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$126.7 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**RO Bucharest Urban Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 29 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Integrated Nutrient Pollution Control Project - Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 29 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$51.7 (IBRD)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# **Russian Federation**

# Education

**Enhancing Workforce Skills for Regional Development:** The project development objectives (PDO) are to increase the relevance of the skills of technical and vocational education and training graduates to the needs of the labor market in selected pilot regions and to expand best practices to other selected dissemination regions in the Russian Federation. This will be achieved through developing, pilot testing and disseminating modern models of efficient training of skilled workers and technicians in the regional vocational education systems to support the social and economic development of the regions of the Russian Federation. Negotiations authorized on 27 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P144167. US\$330.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Education and Science Tel: (7-495) 629-2425, E-mail: klimov-aa@mon.gov.ru, Contact: Alexander Klimov, Deputy Minister.

**Innovative Dev-t of Preschool Educ. of Rep. of Sakha (Yakutia) Project:** The Project Development Objective is to improve the quality of preschool education and increase access to kindergartens in the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia). Negotiations authorized on 28 March 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P127405. US\$117.7 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Consultants will be required for an architect's assistant, permafrost engineer, ECD specialists' assistant with background in Russia and CIS. Ministry of Education of Sakha (Yakutia) Tel: (7-4112) 422-921, E-mail: nsitni@yandex.ru, Contact: Natalia Sitnikova, Head of General Education Department.

# Energy and mining

**RUSSIA ENERGY EFFICIENCY (GEF):** The objective is to support the institutional, regulatory and market barriers facing commercial financing of Energy Efficiency projects across Russia. Concept completed on 27 January 2011. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P123692. US\$ 22.7 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Gazprombank and Ministry of Energy, Russian Energy Agency Tel: (7-495) 789-9292, E-mail: Ivanov@rosenergo.gov.ru, Contact: Ms. Tatiana Yurlova, First Vice President.

**Russia Energy Efficiency Financing Project:** The Project Development Objective is to improve the efficiency of energy use in Russia by scaling-up commercial lending by banks for EE investments in the industrial and public sectors. The global environmental objective is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) by scaling-up EE investments. The PDO will be achieved through combined financial and technical assistance (TA), supported by a US\$500 million IBRD loan and a US\$9.71 million GEF grant to GPB, and a US\$13.02 million GEF grant to REA.

The Project will provide assistance to three key groups of stakeholders. International experience shows that the success in enabling investments in EE depends on participation of and interactions among three groups banks, project owners, and service and equipment providers. The Project will directly target selected representatives from all three groups. Several Russian banks will receive training and some technical assistance to develop their EE lending business, so that they could enter the market to finance EE projects. The GPB, the third largest bank in Russia, will receive an IBRD loan that will co-finance its EE credit line. A visible presence of GPB in the market of EE financing, demonstration of a viable EE lending business, and dissemination of experiences will encourage EE lending uptake by other banks.

The Project will help several regions improve their EE plans and develop bankable EE subprojects. In five regions Kaluga, Novosibirsk, Samara, Yaroslavl and Yekaterinburg, GEF will support REA TA efforts to regional and municipal authorities in

improving their EE programs and to several project owners in the regions in preparing bankable projects. This should boost the demand for EE services and equipment providers, while demonstrating viable procurement, contracting and financing models. National dissemination of results and lessons learned will spur on other regions, municipalities, and energy consumers to follow the example, which could help address a critical issue facing commercial financing of EE projects the shortage of EE investment projects that are acceptable to commercial banks. Appraisal completed on 27 September 2011. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P122492. US\$300.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Gazprombank and Ministry of Energy, Russian Energy Agency Tel: (7-495) 789-9292, E-mail: Ivanov@rosenergo.gov.ru, Contact: Ms. Tatiana Yurlova, First Vice President.

# Finance

**Microfinance Development Project:** The objectives of the project are to: (i) develop a proper legal, regulatory, and supervisory framework to enable safe and sound growth of the microfinance and credit cooperative sectors; and (ii) develop the industry's capacity to meet sectoral regulations and institutional standards. Approval completed on 31 January 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P095554. US\$20.0 (IBRD). No consultants are required. Ministry of Finance Tel: (7-495) 648-3541, E-mail: p0530\_ka@minfin.ru, Contact: Alexey Savatyugin, Deputy Minister.

### Health and other social services

**Regional Health System Modernization:** The Project development objective is to improve the efficiency and quality of health services of Tyumen Oblast. The proposed project is linked to Strategic Theme 2 - Expanding Human Potential - of the CPS for the Russian Federation for the Period 2012-2016. Specifically the proposed Project belongs to area of engagement 2.1 - Education, Health and social protection - and will contribute to outcome 9: Increased quality and improved access, targeting, coverage and efficiency of social services for human development. The proposed project is expected to contribute to the WBG goals of ending extreme poverty and promoting shared prosperity through the provision of quality cancer health services to the citizens of Tyumen Oblast. Identification completed on 8 August 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$250.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Social Inclusion of Vulnerable Groups through Physical Training:** The Project Development Objective is to enhance social inclusion for selected disadvantaged groups in pilot municipalities, throughincreased access to, and use of, sports and recreation activities and services. Negotiations authorized on 4 October 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P126283. US\$70.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Sports, Tourism and Youth Policy Tel: (7-495) 601-9440, E-mail: varaksin@minstm.gov.ru, Contact: Mr. Pavel Varaksin, Lead Expert.

# Industry and trade

Additional Financing for St. Petersburg Economic Development Project: To support St. Petersburg in (i) promoting conducive policy and the regulatory environment for the expansion of private sector enterprises; (ii) facilitating a larger and more efficient private market for land and real estate; (iii) strengthening City fiscal management capacity; and (iv) preserving and enhancing cultural assets in St. Petersburg. The higher level objective is to enhance St Petersburg's prospects for economic diversification and growth. The AF will contribute to these objectives by leveraging the city's cultural assets to sustain tourism, generate jobs and create opportunities for local businesses. Negotiations authorized on 26 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146463. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation Tel: 7-495-6238444, E-mail: novikov@mkrf.ru, Contact: Mr. Artem Novikov, Deputy Director of Estate and Investment Policy Department.

**Russia Special Economic Zones Enhancement Project:** The project development objective is to attract investors to, and increase investment in, select pilot zones in the Russian SEZ program. Concept completed on 16 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147011. US\$132.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Economic Development Tel: (7-495) 694-0353, E-mail: mineconom@economy.gov.ru, Contact: Dimitriy V Skripichnikov Ministry of Economic Development Tel: 7 (495) 694-0353, E-mail: dpetrin@fer.ru, Contact: Evgeny Elin, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Economic Development of the Ru.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

Integrated Environmental Monitoring Project: The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve the national

and selected regions' capacity to generate environmental monitoring data and provide accessible, quality and reliable environmental monitoring information to various users from the public and private sectors.

Specifically, the Project will facilitate improved efficiency of state environmental monitoring through introducing international standards of environmental monitoring, developing the existing subsystems of state environmental monitoring and integrating them into a unified information and analytical system. Negotiations authorized on 29 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P143159. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment Tel: 749-9254-1560, E-mail: vatletsov@mnr.gov.ru, Contact: Gleb A. Vatletsov, Director of the Department.

**Local Economic Development of Small Towns:** The proposed objective of the project is to support cultural heritage restoration and tourism development in selected small historic towns. It is expected that these efforts will, in the medium-term, contribute to increased tourism and, therefore, to the economic development of the selected historic towns and settlements. Identification completed on 24 October 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Culture Tel: (7-495) 629-2008, E-mail: tsvetnov@mkrf.ru.

# Transportation

**Improvement of Urban Transport Sys (GEF):** The proposed project aims (i) to improve the quality and condition of urban transport while reducing adverse environmental impacts of transport in three pilot cities, through physical investments and operational and technological improvements, and (ii) to strengthen the institutional and technical capacity in several Russian cities in planning and managing urban transport systems. Concept completed on 15 November 2012. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145582. US\$ 9.1 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Transport Tel: 7-495-626-10-88, E-mail: asaulna@mintrans.ru, Contact: Mr. Nikolay A. Asaul, Deputy Minister.

**Improvement of Urban Transport Systems Project:** The project aims to improve urban mobility, accessibility, safety and environmental sustainability of transport systems in selected cities of the Russian Federation. Negotiations authorized on 27 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P133201. US\$117.5 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Transport Tel: 7-495-626-10-88, E-mail: asaulna@mintrans.ru, Contact: Mr. Nikolay A. Asaul, Deputy Minister.

**Russian Development Bank Infrastructure Financing Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 19 March 2014. Environmental Assessment Category F. US\$300.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Vnesheconombank (Russian Development Bank) Tel: (7-903)798-0107, E-mail: Pavlov\_AV@veb.ru, Contact: Mr. Alexander Pavlov, Deputy Director.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Arctic Environment:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 1 April 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 5.5 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**ARCTIC PROGRAM:** This project is to improve Russia's environmental management systems to deal with growing environmental risks and pollutions in the Arctic Zone caused by climate change and increasing human activities. Identification completed on 29 July 2011. Environmental Assessment Category F. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Economic Development Tel: (7-495) 694-0353, E-mail: mineconom@economy.gov.ru.

# Serbia

#### Education

**Early Childhood Development:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 25 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Finance

**Financial Sector Results Based IPF:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 10 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$70.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Public Sector Employment and Performance:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 7 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$75.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Tajikistan

### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**FVWRMP - Phase II:** The Tajikistan Fergana Valley Water Resources Management Project - Phase II will build on the achievements and lessons learned from the first phase. The project aims to improve the quality of irrigation service delivery in the project area by (i) rehabilitating irrigation and drainage infrastructure, (ii) strengthening the institutional framework for irrigation and drainage management (including the newly established Irrigation Agency and WUAs), and (iii) supporting water sector reforms to improve the financial viability of irrigation. The project will, on a demand-driven basis, pursue farm restructuring and will help farmers take full advantage of the restructuring by switching to production of higher value crops. Identification completed on 18 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Environmental Land Management and Rural Livelihoods - Additional Financing:** The overall Project Development Objective (PDO) and Global Environmental Objective (GEO) is to enable rural people to increase their productive assets in ways that improve natural resource management and resilience to climate change in selected climate vulnerablesites Approval completed on 30 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153709. US\$ 1.8/2.0 (IDA Grant/CSCF). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Additional Financing for Tajikistan PAMP II: The project development objectives for PAMP II are to: (i) provide access to temporary employment to food-insecure people through the rehabilitation of irrigation and drainage infrastructure, (ii) increase yields of selected crops in response to improved irrigation and infrastructure, and (iii) strengthen the capacity of Tajikistan to introduce integrated water resource management. By improving food access and food availability these measures improve the food security of low-income people in the poor rural areas supported by the project. Approval completed on 22 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154327. US\$ 12.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Energy and mining

**Tajikistan Winter Energy Project:** The project objective is to mitigate the impact of winter energy shortages on inhabitants of select urban and rural settlements of Tajikistan by supporting development and implementation of heat supply options for and energy efficiency demand side measures in housing stock and public buildings. Identification completed on 9 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 13.5/16.5 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Project Implementation Unit.

#### Health and other social services

Additional Financing to TJ Health Services Improvement Project: The revised PDO is to contribute to the improvement of the coverage and quality of basic primary health care (PHC) services in selected districts. Approval completed on 22 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153975. US\$ 5.5/4.5 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Tajikistan: Skills and Jobs for Migrants:** To mitigate the impact of the reduced formal migration opportunities to Russia for Tajik citizens by enhancing the employment prospects for Tajik workers. Identification completed on 16 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

(R) Real Estate Registration Project: The development objective of the Project is: to support the implementation of a

reliable, transparent and efficient real estate registration system nationwide. *Negotiations authorized on 23 October 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154561. US\$ 10.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Public Finance Management Modernization Project 2:** The development objective of the project is to improve effectiveness, control and accountability of public expenditure of the Republic of Tajikistan. Approval completed on 1 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P150381. US\$ 10.0/11.0 (IDA Grant/DFID). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Finance Tel: 992372213290, E-mail: investdiv@mail.ru, Contact: Shuhrat Maqsudzoda, Head of Department.

### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**(N) Strengthening Critical Infrastructure against Natural Hazards:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 23 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B.* US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Tajikistan Second Dushanbe Water Supply Project - Additional Financing:** The project development objective is to improve water utility performance and water supply services in selected areas of Dushanbe. Approval completed on 30 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154729. US\$ 5.5/4.5 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Turkey

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

Integrated River Basin Management Project: The proposed investment project is the culmination of a three-year policy dialogue and effort by the Bank, supported by technical assistance which brought together a number of key natural resource management agencies in an institutional setting characterized by fragmentation and weak coordination mechanisms. Over the period FY10-12, the Technical Assistance was focused on enhancing the capacity of relevant agencies to agree on and undertake the preparation of a National Basin Management Strategy (NBMS), to guide future government and policy and investment decision in watershed rehabilitation and water resources management. This was done through: (i) setting up an inter-sectoral coordination process (National Steering Committee) and supporting its work on the preparation of the NBMS through workshops and broad consultations;(ii) contributing several analytical pieces, including a Sector Note, a Policy Options Paper, and an Advisory Note and implementation guidelines on cumulative environmental impact assessment for hydropower development; and (iii)strengthening the policy dialogue on natural resource and water management. Within this setting, the proposed investment operation will support the implementation of the NBMS and the new water sector reforms. In particular, the focus will be on strengthening the new basin management institutions in light of the ongoing reforms in the water sector. In addition, the project would support piloting the establishment of a river basin agency (including governance, operations management and analytical tools, staff training, computer and monitoring equipment, decision support systems, office space etc.), and would finance strategically selected investments in watershed rehabilitation and water management (e.g., erosion control and afforestation, flood protection, bulk water supply infrastructure) Identification completed on 13 November 2012. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$90.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Forestry and Water Affairs Tel: (90-312) 207-5696, E-mail: havci@cob.gov.tr, Contact: Mr. Hanifi Avci

# Energy and mining

**Gas Sector Development Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 2 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P133565. US\$400.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. BOTAS Turkish Pipeline Company Tel: (90-312) 297-2018, E-mail: mgazi.dulger@botas.gov.tr, Contact: Mr. Mehmet Gazi Dulger, Project Director.

**EU/IPA Energy Sector Technical Assistance Program - Phase 2 Project:** Project Development Objective is to develop the administrative and technical capacity of relevant institutions to achieve an increasing alignment with the EU Acquis and the Europe 2020 targets in the areas of (1) energy efficiency, (2) internal energy market, and(3) long-term energy planning and modelling. Approval completed on 19 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151934. US\$ 13.0 (F7U6). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources Tel: 90-312-295-5010, E-mail:

yyazar@yegm.gov.tr, Contact: Yusuf Yazar, Director General, General Directorate of Renewable Energy.

**(R) Turkey Geothermal Development Project:** The Project Development Objective is to scale up private sector investment in geothermal energy development in Turkey. *Appraisal completed on 20 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P151739. *US\$*250.0/39.8 (IBRD/CCTF). *Consultants will be required*. Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources Tel: 90-312-295-5010, E-mail: yyazar@yegm.gov.tr, Contact: Yusuf Yazar, Director General, General Directorate of Renewable Energy.

**Trans-Anatolian Natural Gas Pipeline Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$1000.0/1120.0/5700.0/1200.0 (IBRD/EUIB/ZEXP/ZPCI). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Finance

**(R)** Micro, Small & Medium Enterprise and Large Enterprise Supply Chain Finance: The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve access to finance for micro, small and medium enterprises, and longer term finance to large enterprises involved in domestic supply chains. *Negotiations authorized on 23 October 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P157691. US\$200.0 (IBRD). No consultants are required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Extending the Financial Frontier:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category F. US\$300.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Industry and trade

**Strengthening of the innovation landscape in Turkey:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 27 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Land Registration and Cadastre Modernization Project - AF:** The objective of the Project is to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the land registry and cadastre services through: (i)renovating and updating cadastre maps to support digital cadastre and land registry information; (ii) making the digital land registry and cadastre information available to public and private entities; (iii) improving customer services in land registry and cadastre offices; (iv) improving human resources in TKGM; and (v) developing policies and capacity to introduce best international practices in property valuation in Turkey. Approval completed on 15 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154259. US\$91.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**(N) Turkey Railways Sector Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 20 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B.* US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**SUSTAINABLE CITIES:** The proposed investment project builds upon the foundation of Turkey's Municipal Services Project. Providing financing to Turkish municipalities through Iller Bank (a municipal financial intermediary) would be one important feature that would carry forward. However, the Sustainable Cities Project aims to go beyond financing "one-off" investments to improve environmental services. It's focus is on shifting municipal planning visions several years into the future for cities that are striving to be sustainable. It encourages cities to avoid the "lock-in" effect of unplanned development and investments that will have high energy and greenhouse gas emission costs over time. Built around a Sustainable Cities Index, each city will embark on developing a Sustainable Cities Action Plan with collected baseline data and sustainability targets spanning a 20 year or more span of time. Every fifth year would be a milestone year and would also mark the end of the investment project being prepared with the expectation that incremental improvements are made toward a longer term plan.

The SC Index would provide a policy instrument or vehicle in which national policies and strategies on sustainable urban development, green growth, energy efficiency, among others could be addressed through the investment plan and capacity building program.

The SC Project is expected to span 5 years with financing of up to \$300 million. Policy coordination at the national level would be facilitated by the Ministry of Environment and Urbanization, which is the Project champion and primary national level stakeholder. Identification completed on 21 December 2012. Environmental Assessment Category F. US\$300.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Iller Bank Tel: (90-312) 384-6126, E-mail: h.atasoy@ilbank.gov.tr.

# Ukraine

# Energy and mining

**(R)** Ukraine Gas Supply Security Facility: Objective to be Determined. *Concept completed on 21 October 2015*. Project: P155111. US\$ 500.0 (GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Kaniv Pumped Storage Hydropower Plant: The project will include construction of a new pumped storage hydropower plant in Kaniv. The project will be financed jointly by the Bank, EIB, EBRD and KfW. Identification completed on 30 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$500.0/100.0/500.0/100.0 (IBRD/EBRD/EUIB/KFW). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Health and other social services

**Community Social Support Project:** The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve living conditions and services in targeted communities and to enhance capacity of local governments to manage local development needs in a participatory and accountable manner. Concept completed on 20 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151701. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ukrainian Social Investment Fund Tel: 380442302673, E-mail: VMiroshnychenko@usif.org.ua, Contact: Viktor Miroshnychenko, Director.

# Industry and trade

**Improving Competitiveness for Growth and Jobs:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 25 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$300.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**DEVSTAT 2:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 12 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$60.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**(R) Road Sector Development Project:** The objective of the project is to improve transport connectivity, maintenance operations and road safety for road users on selected sections of the national roads network and improve road network management in Ukraine. *Approval completed on 3 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149322. US\$560.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. UKRAVTODOR Tel: 380442877408, E-mail: forec@ukravtodor.goc.ua.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Second Urban Infrastructure Project Additional Financing: SIDA Grant:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 6 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 7.0 (F7VP). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Uzbekistan

### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Karshi Pumping Cascade Rehabilitation:** The principle development objective is to increase the reliability, efficiency and sustainability of the pumped water supply from the Amu Darya to the Karshi irrigation command area (400,000 ha) in the Kashkadarya Oblast on which the livelihood, employment, and income of more than 2 million people depend, thereby, avoiding a potential social catastrophe in case of complete or partial breakdown of the Karshi Pumping Cascade (KPC), KPC being the main source of water supply in the Oblast for irrigation, domestic and industrial uses.

The project components are: (a) rehabilitation of the pumping stations covering rehabilitation of about 20 pumping units out of 36 in first six stations, some rehabilitation of seventh pumping station, replacement of all electrical works, protection of discharge pipelines, rehabilitation of pump station buildings and maintenance workshop; (b) rehabilitation of the river intake and the channel from the river to the first pumping station; (c) irrigation and drainage improvements in the Karshi canal command area including development of water users' associations; and (d) project management support, monitoring and evaluation and institutional development. Identification completed on 19 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 71.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Livestock Sector Development Project:** Livestock Sector Development Project The Project Development Objective is provisionally to improve the provision of infrastructure, services and finance to the livestock sector in the project area. The Project will include four components: Component 1 Livestock and Veterinary Services Improvement; Component 2 Access to Finance; and Component 3 Pasture Management Improvement; and Component 4 Project Management. Component 1 will finance the development of:(i) state and private veterinary services and implementation of disease control strategies; (ii) livestock breed improvement and (iii) improvement of extension services and integration of smallholder livestock production into the livestock supply chain. Component 2 will finance a credit line to the commercial banks for the livestock sector. Component 3 will finance the improvement of pasture infrastructure and management and strengthening of pasture related institutions. Component 4 will finance project management and operating costs. Identification completed on 18 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R) Ferghana Valley Water Resources Management - Phase II:** The project development objective is to improve water productivity in the project area. *Concept completed on 18 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149610. US\$ 211.0 (IDA Credit). *Consultants will be required*. Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources Tel: +998-71241-0042, E-mail: piu-diwip@buzton.com.

#### Education

**Modernizing Higher Education Project:** In developing countries with young and growing populations like Uzbekistan, the need for inclusive growth through expanding employment and productivity is self-evident. The development of job- relevant skills is an essential element of any strategy to generate economic growth. Unfortunately, too many workers across the world are simply unprepared to meet the needs of the labor market in an evolving world economic environment. In many countries, education systems are not providing young people with the basic skills -cognitive and behavioral- that make them trainable. In other cases the labor force is highly educated, but the jobs they've been trained for simply do not exist.

In Uzbekistan, a 2008 survey of firms in the country concluded that between 30 percent and 40 percent of them considered worker skills a major or very severe constraint to their growth. Is it possible that students are not graduating with the right skills for the modern Uzbek job market? This problem is even more acute because the Uzbek Higher Education System is characterized by relatively low enrolment rates. Tertiary enrolment rate has declined from around 17 percent in 1991 to around 10 percent now. This rate is low by regional and international standards. For example, Kazakistan has an enrolment rate of 40 percent and lower middle income countries have an enrolment rate of around 16 percent. Also, the share of tertiary education in education budget has declined from around 10 percent in 1991, to around 6 percent now.

Clearly, there is a need to examine this issue in greater detail. Some questions that need to answered are-How to build skills, including for those already in the workforce, so that they match the needs of the economy as it develops? How can higher education system ensure quality and relevance of university programs? What implications does the international competition for jobs have for the Uzbek university system in an increasingly global marketplace?

This piece describe preliminary concept for project on Higher Education in Uzbekistan with a total estimated Bank Budget of USD 250,000 for preparation (FY 12: USD 25 K, FY 13: USD 125 K, FY 14: USD 100 K)

The Project will aim : (i)to increase access higher education services,; (ii) to enhance the quality and relevance of higher education; and (iii) to strengthen the institutional capacity of Ministry of Higher and Secondary Special Education

Counterparts:

Our main counterpart for the Project is Ministry of Higher and Secondary Special Education

and the Ministries of Economy and Finance. Identification completed on 14 November 2011. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 40.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Public Education Tel: (998-71) 239-1310, E-mail: info@uzedu.uz.

### Energy and mining

**Modernization and Upgrade of Transmission Substations:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 23 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$180.0 (IBRD)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**District Heating Energy Efficiency Project:** The District Heating (DH)Rehabilitation and Energy Efficiency project would reconstruct DH systems in Andijan and Chirchik. The project would include specifically: (i) the reconstruction of heat production facilities, networks and in-house heating systems; (ii) undertaking the significant change in system design from open systems to closed systems; (iii) installing building level individual heat substations (IHS) equipped with heat meters; and (iv) changing from DH to local heating in regions where local heating is the least-cost solution. Identification completed on 18 June 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Economy.

**Electricity Distribution Modernization Project:** The project will rehabilitate electricity distribution substation systems in selected areas of Uzbekistan to improve their efficiency and reduce losses. Identification completed on 19 November 2012. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$155.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. UzbekEnergo Tel: (998-71) 233-9821/9889, E-mail: sjsc@uzpak.uz, Contact: Iskander Basidov, Chairman of the Board.

#### Health and other social services

Additional Financing to Health System Improvement Project: The main project plans to equip with modern medical equipment 100 Rayon Medical Unions out of 157 current ones as well as 76 urban policlinics from 155 ones, that are established on the basis of the existing outpatient establishments. Allocation of additional IDA funds in the amount of up to US\$63.0 mln will equip the remaining primary health care units which are not covered by the Health-III Project. Approval completed on 7 March 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P133187. US\$ 93.0 (IDA Credit). No consultants are required. Ministry of Health Tel: (998-71) 239-4808, E-mail: office@jpib.uz, Contact: Djamshed Djabriyev, Executive Director.

#### Information and communications

**(R)** Modernization of Real Property Registration and Cadastre: The Project's Development Objective is to establish an efficient and accessible real property registration and cadastre system in the Republic of Uzbekistan as part of the national eGovernment structure and services.

The project will achieve this by: (i) improving business processes and customer orientation in the real property registry and cadastre; (ii) creating a fully digital real property registry and cadastre system (i.e. IISRPRC) accessible online to the public; (iii) improving the regulatory and operational environment of the real property registry and cadastre; (iv) facilitating spatial data access, exchange and sharing at national level; and (v) raising awareness on the importance of real property rights. *Ne-gotiations authorized on 12 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151746. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. State Committee on Land Resources, Geodesy, Cartography and State Cadastre, E-mail: info@ygk.uz.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Strengthening Administration of Labor and Social Protection Services:** Improve administration of national labor and social programs through strengthening information management systems and integrating service provision at the district offices. Identification completed on 26 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$30.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Transportation

**Regional Roads Development Project:** The proposed Project Development Objectives (PDOs) are to reduce road user costs on the project roads and develop a sustainable investment program for regional road asset management. Approval completed on 23 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146334. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Republican Road Fund Tel: 998712394626, E-mail: rrproject14@gmail.com, Contact: Jamol Shukurov, Director of Road Fund.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

Additional Financing for Bukhara and Samarkand Sewerage Project: The proposed PDOs are to reduce wastewater pollution and improve the performance of utilities responsible for wastewater management in Bukhara and Samarkand. Approval completed on 23 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152801. US\$ 105.0 (IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Uzkommunkhizmat Tel: (998-712) 354-497, E-mail: waterproject@unitech.uz.

# Regional

### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**(R) Climate Adaptation and Mitigation Program for Aral Sea Basin CAMP4ASB:** To enhance regionally coordinated access to improved climate change knowledge services for key stakeholders (e.g., policy makers, communities, and civil society) in participating Central Asian countries, as well as to increased investments and capacity building that, combined, will address climate challenges common to these countries. *Approval completed on 3 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151363. US\$ 23.0/15.0 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Federation Administration for Geodetic and Real Property Affairs of the FBH, E-mail: zeljko.obradovic@fgu.com.ba.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Central Asia Water Resources Management (CA-WARM) Phase-I Project:** The proposed objective of the overall CA-WaRM program would be to improve the information, institutional, and infrastructure foundation for water resources planning and management in the Central Asia Region. The proposed Project Development Objective of the Phase-I CA-WaRM project is that targeted institutions in Central Asia adopt an improved water resources monitoring and management platform. Identification completed on 30 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$15.0/50.0/10.0/10.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit/IDA Grant/GFCO). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**West Balkans Drina River Basin Management:** 30.The objective of the Project is to assist the countries of Bosnia-Herzegovina, Serbia and Montenegro to achieve improved planning and implementation for integrated, cooperative management of the trans-boundary Drina River basin. Concept completed on 18 September 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145048. US\$ 5.0/5.0 (GEFU/SCCF). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management, E-mail: dmitarzakula@yahoo.com, Contact: Dmitar Zakula, Manager, International cooperation; FBiH Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management Tel: 387-33-726550, E-mail: ana.basic@fmpvs.gov.ba, Contact: Jerko Ivanković-Lijanović, Minister; RS Ministry of Agriculture, Water Management and Forestry Tel: 387-51-338415, E-mail: m.stevanovic@mps.vladars.net, Contact: Stevo Mirjanic, Minister; Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development Tel: 38220482109, E-mail: kabinet@mpr.gov.me, Contact: Mr. Predrag Ivanovic, Minister.

# Latin America And Caribbean

# Argentina

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Rural Corridors and Biodiversity:** The proposed project would aim to increase the protection of vulnerable natural areas and the conservation of biological diversity in both the Argentine Patagonian Steppe and the Argentine Chaco. It would achieve this goal by (i) engaging with a wide range of stakeholders in planning and management of sustainable-use corridors within the two ecosystems. (ii) increasing the number of national protected areas managed by APN in target ecosystems within the corridors, and (iii) strengthening conservation efforts and capacities in Provincial Protected Areas. The project would be partially blended with the recently approved IBRD Sustainable Natural Resource Management Project, which has a project formulation activity to support the preparation of the envisioned work. The main project beneficiaries will be (i) the rural poor whose livelihoods depend on the natural resource base, particularly in the Argentine Steppe and Chaco; (ii) the total supply-chain involved in Argentina's nature-based tourism; and (iii) and civil society as beneficiaries of the project . In addition, the project would aim to bolster the technical capacity and outreach of federal and provincial organizations working in natural resource issues to provide technical, policy and regulatory leadership within the field of natural resource management and fostering inter-institutional coordination and collaboration between many of the agencies involved in environmental and natural resources management. Approval completed on 7 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P114294. US\$ 6.3/2.3 (GEFU/MSC1). Consulting services to be determined. Administacion de Parques Nacionales Tel: (54-11) 4774-5357, E-mail: NA, Contact: Dra. Patricia Gandini, President.

**AR PROSAP3 - Third Provincial Agricultural Development Project:** The project development objective for PROSAP3 will be to increase productivity and sales for small and medium-scale producers supported by project activities.

To reach its objective, the project will support capacity-building and investments geared toward a more efficient use of natural resources and energy, increased adaptation to climate change, long-term improvement in productivity and market access, overall contributing to an increased competitiveness and sustainability of agricultural production systems in the regional economies.

Target group. The project primary target group will comprise about 80,000 small and medium-sized producers who have clear potential to participate in a modern and competitive agribusiness system, but need to improve their productivity and profitability in order to be competitive and reduce their vulnerability.

Target areas. While the project is national in scope, the regional economies are the target area for investment subprojects, which constitute the most sizable part of the operation. Eligibility criteria for target areas would include number of small and medium-size producers, number of direct and indirect beneficiaries belonging to the target group.

Selection criteria. To ensure the balanced and equitable allocation of public funding, subproject preparation will include specific selection criteria to be applied early on in the selection and approval process, which could include: (i) counterpart support proportional to the income level of beneficiaries; (ii) investment caps by type of investment and by number and type of beneficiary (direct and indirect); (iii) level of financial leverage (private or public-private) in the investment; (iv) level of climate change mitigation and adaptation measures considered in the project design. Concept completed on 1 August 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P132416. US\$500.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Economy and Production Tel: (5411-4) 349-6200.

#### Health and other social services

**AF for AR Provincial Public Health Insurance Development Project:** The PDOs are to: (a) increase utilization and quality of key health services for the uninsured target population; and (b) improve institutional management by strengthening the incentives for results in Participating Provinces and among Authorized Providers. Approval completed on 7 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154431. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Industry and trade

**AR Socio-Economic Inclusion In Rural Areas:** To increase the socio-economic inclusion of rural poor (small producers, indigenous people, and rural workers) by: (a) strengthening their organizational, planning and management capacity to achieve poverty-reduction goals; (b) improving their access to community infrastructure and services and (c) piloting a new model for developing sustainable access to markets. Approval completed on 11 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P106685. US\$52.5 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Ministerio de Agricultura, Ganaderia y Pesca (MAGyP formerly SAGPyA) Tel: (54-11) 4349-1300, E-mail: prosap-comunica@prosap.gov.ar, Contact: Lic. Jorge Neme, Coordinador Ejecutivo, Ing Sandro Sassatelli, Coordinador Tecnico.

### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**AR Flood Risk Management Support Project for the City of Buenos Aires:** Proposed Development Objective: The PDO is to increase the resilience of the City of Buenos Aires to flooding, particularly in the Maldonado Vega and Cildáñez watersheds. Concept completed on 29 January 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P145686. US\$138.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Finance, City of Buenos Aires Tel: 4342-0711, E-mail: ngrindetti@buenosaires.gov.ar, Contact: Nestor Grindetti, Minister.

# Belize

# Energy and mining

**Energy Resilience for Climate Adaptation:** 15. The development objective of the proposed Energy Resilience for Climate Adaptation Project is to enhance resilience of the energy system to adverse weather and climate change impacts. 16. The proposed will be designed to complement the Climate Resilient Infrastructure Project (CRIP) that is being financed in parallel by the World Bank, and help reinforce the inclusion of energy resilience as a key adaptation focus in the comprehensive National Climate Resilient Investment Plan (NCRIP). Concept completed on 24 January 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149522. US\$ 8.0 (SCCF). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Energy, Science and Technology, and Public Utilities Tel: 510-822-2526, E-mail: ceo@estpu.gov.bz, Contact: Colin Young, Chief Executive Officer.

# Bolivia

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**BO Community Investment in Rural Areas Project Additional Financing:** To improve access to sustainable basic infrastructure and services for the most disadvantaged rural communities selected in some of the poorest municipalities of Bolivia. Approval completed on 4 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154854. US\$ 60.0 (IDA Credit). No consultants are required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**Supporting Access and Continuity of Health Care:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 31 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**Santa Cruz Road Corridor Connector Project:** The projects Development Objectives (PDO) are to support the Recipient in reducing transport costs, travel time and road fatalities between San Ignacio de Velasco and San Jose de Chiquitos. Concept completed on 2 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152281. US\$230.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Administradora Boliviana de Carreteras (ABC) Tel: (591-2) 235-7220, E-mail: sduarte@abc.gob.bo, Contact: Noemi Villegas, Presidente.

**(R) BO Road Sector Capacity Development Project:** The Project Development Objectives (PDO) are to enhance Bolivia's national road sector management and improve the condition of the country's primary paved road network targeted under the Project. *Approval completed on 12 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P144597. US\$166.0/59.1 (IBRD/IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Administradora Boliviana de Carreteras (ABC) Tel: (591-2) 235-7220, E-mail: sduarte@abc.gob.bo, Contact: Noemi Villegas, Presidente.

# Brazil

### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**(N) Amazon Sustainable Landscapes Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 16 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B.* US\$ 60.3 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R) Development of systems to prevent forest fires and monitor vegetation cover in the Brazilian Cerrado:** The objective of the Project is to enhance the Member Country's institutional capacity in monitoring deforestation, in providing information on fire risks, and in estimating related GHG emissions in the Cerrado. *Negotiations authorized on 3 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P143185. US\$ 9.3 (CSCF). Consultants will be required. Fundacao de Desenvolvimento da Pesquisa (FUNDEP) Tel: 3134094200, E-mail: fabianosiqueira@fundep.ufmg.br, Contact: Fabiano Siqueira, Gerente de Projetos.

**FIP: Environmental regularization of rural lands in the Cerrado of Brazil:** The Project Development Objective is to enhance the capacity of the Borrower's MMA and nine SEAs to receive, analyze and approve rural environmental cadaster entries and link them to SICAR; and support, in selected municipalities, landholding registration in the CAR. Approval completed on 21 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P143334. US\$ 32.5 (CSCC). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Environment Tel: (55-61) 2028-1413, E-mail: allan.milhomens@mma.gov.br, Contact: Allan Milhomens, Coordinator.

**Paraiba Sustainable Rural Development:** The proposed development objective is to reduce household vulnerability and improve smallholder access to markets in Paraiba's rural areas. Concept completed on 24 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147158. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Secretaria da Agricultura Familiar e do Desenvolvimento do Semiarido-COOPERAR Tel: 83-3246-7858, E-mail: robertocvital@gmail.com, Contact: Roberto Vital, Gestor.

#### Education

Additional Finance to Acre Social and Economic Inclusion and Sustainable Development Project: The objective of the project is to contribute to the Borrowers efforts to promote social and economic inclusion of its rural and urban poor, including its poorest and most disadvantaged population living in isolated areas of the Borrowers territory. Approval completed on 29 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. State Secretary of Planning, Government of the State of Acre Tel: (55-68) 3224-0481, E-mail: marcio.verissimo@ac.gov.br, Contact: Marcio Verissimo, Secretary of Planning.

**Brazil -Salvador Social Project:** 25. The objectives of the proposed Project are to: (i) increase the access of families living in the Municipality of Salvador to education, health, and social assistance services; (ii) support the implementation of actions and systems to improve the quality of municipal services in the areas of education, health, and social assistance; and (iii) modernize the municipality's public sector management Concept completed on 21 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149496. US\$400.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**AF PE SWAP Pernambuco Educ Results& Account. (AF-PERA):** This operation is an additional financing for a statebased, multi-sector project, making use of the Sector Wide Approach (SWAp) modality to support critical programs of the state of Pernambuco in education and gender. Identification completed on 1 November 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$170.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R) Piaui: Pillars of Growth and Social Inclusion Project:** The objective of the project is to: (a) reduce dropout of students in public secondary education; (b) increase access to diagnosis and treatment for patients with chronic diseases; (c) expand the registration of groundwater users in rural areas and land tenure regularization; and (d) increase the participation

of poor family farmers in rural productive value chains. *Negotiations authorized on 6 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P129342. US\$120.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. State of Piaui Secretariat of Planning Tel: (55-86) 3221-3145/4575, E-mail: secretario@seplan.pi.gov.br.

#### Finance

**(N) Private Bond Investor Infrastructure Finance Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 16 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category F.* US\$500.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**BAHIA ROAD REHABILITATION AND MAINTENANCE PROJECT – 2ND PHASE:** The Project Development Objective is to enhance, in a sustainable fashion, road accessibility and safety in selected regions of the State of Bahia. Negotiations authorized on 27 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147272. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Infrastructure Secretariat of State of Bahia Tel: 55-71-3115-2106, E-mail: gasec@seinfra.ba.gov.br, Contact: Marcus Cavalcanti, Infrastructure Secretary.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Fortaleza Sustainable Urban Development Project:** The objective of the project is to support Fortaleza's Urban and Environmental Development Program "Fortaleza Cidade Sustentavel". The project includes three main components: (i) restoring urban environment, involving activities focused on the recovery of degraded urban areas, the provision of basic service infrastructure in poor neighborhoods, and the redevelopment of selected city center areas; (ii) strengthening municipal management capacity in areas related to urban planning and financing, DRM, and environmental management; and (iii) project management. Identification completed on 3 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$73.3 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**BR AF Teresina Enhancing Municipal Governance and Quality of Life Proj:** The objectives of the Project are to (a) improve the financial and environmental management capacity of the Borrower, and (b) improve access to services by the low-income population of the Lagoas do Norte Region. Negotiations authorized on 13 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$88.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Chile

**(R) CL Integrated Water Resources Management & Infrastructure Development:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to strengthen the capacity of the Borrower for water resources management and public infrastructure planning and concession. *Approval completed on 4 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152319. US\$40.9 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Finance Tel: 5624732681, E-mail: jgomez@dipres.gob.cl, Contact: Jose Miguel Torres, Jefe de Asesores MOPW.

# Colombia

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**(N)** Consolidating Forest Conservation and Sustainability in the Amazon: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 17 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B.* US\$ 12.0 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**CO Mainstreaming Sust. Cattle Ranching Project AF:** The Project Development Objective would remain unchanged, i.e. "to promote the adoption of environment-friendly Silvopastoral Production Systems (SPS) for cattle ranching in Colombia's Project areas, to improve natural resource management, enhance the provision of environmental services (biodiversity, land, carbon, and water), and raise the productivity in participating farms" Approval completed on 4 August 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145732. US\$ 20.7 (SPTF). Consulting services to be determined. Colombian Cattle

Ranching Organization-FEDEGAN Tel: 571-5782020, E-mail: cosorio@fedegan.org.co, Contact: Carlos Osorio, Subgerente Tecnico.

#### Transportation

**Enhancing Waterway Connectivity of Colombia's Plan Pacifico:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$40.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**(R) CO Plan PAZcifico:WSS Infrastructure & Service Delivery Proj:** The Proposed Development Objectives are (i) to improve coverage and service quality of water supply and basic sanitation in urban areas in the municipalities of Tumaco and Guapi and (ii) to improve operational efficiency of the utilities in these two municipalities. *Concept completed on 9 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P156239. US\$115.0/2.0 (IBRD/IADB). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Dominican Republic

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

Additional Financing 2 - Emergency Recovery and Disaster Management Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 14 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$30.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

**(R) Distribution Grid Modernization and Loss Reduction Project:** The project development objective is to improve the financial viability of the electricity distribution companies (EDEs) by reducing energy losses and increasing revenue collections in the circuits rehabilitated under the project and consequently increase the supply of electricity. *Negotiations authorized on 27 October 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147277. US\$120.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. CDEEE Tel: (809) 535-9098, E-mail: rbichara@cdeee.gob.do, Contact: Ruben Jimenez Bichara, Vicepresidente Ejecutivo.

#### Health and other social services

**DO Flexible Employment System Project (FESP):** The development objective of this project is to improve the income and employment rates of poor unemployed persons and poor idle youth by supporting the implementation of a temporary employment Program and a youth training program. Appraisal completed on 7 November 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P131109. US\$20.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Labor Tel: 18095354404, E-mail: maritza.hernandez@mt.gob.do, Contact: Maritza Hernandez Liriano, Minister of Labor.

**DO-Health Sector Reform APL3:** The Project's development objective is to support the Government to improve the performance of the public health system. This will be done through: (a) strengthening the capacity of regional health services and participating public hospitals to deliver quality services in a timely manner, focusing on maternal and child care and prevention and control of NCDs; and (b) enhancing sector governance and the institutional capacity of public sector institutions to strategically purchase goods and services, to develop and implement evidence-based policies and programs, and to respond to public health emergencies. Concept completed on 24 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P152783. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Information and communications

**Caribbean Regional Communications Infrastructure Prog - Dominican Rep.:** The project development objective is to increase access to regional broadband networks and advance the development of ICT-enabled services in the Dominican Republic and in the Caribbean Region. Approval completed on 25 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B.

Project: P147483. US\$30.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. INDOTEL Tel: 18293786151, E-mail: jroques@in-dotel.gob.do, Contact: Jorge Roques, Coordinador de Proyectos (Projects Coordinator).

# Ecuador

# Education

**Tertiary Education Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 16 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$75.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Supporting Education Reform in Targeted Circuits:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to increase enrollment in early education and improve the persistence rate in lower secondary education and upper secondary education in the targeted circuits. Approval completed on 14 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152096. US\$178.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. MINISTRY OF EDUCATION Tel: 593-3961300, E-mail: diego.ramos@educacion.gob.ec, Contact: Marcelo Torres, Planning Coordinator.

#### Industry and trade

**Ecuador Productivity for Export and Growth:** The objective of this loan is to promote the diversification of the Ecuadorian economy contributing to the transformation of the productive matrix, by improving industrial competitiveness and value chains through industrial services.

The preparatory work will focus on i) analytical work for understanding the diversification needs and impacts and the role of industrial services in it, ii) the analysis of the existing service providers both national and international and iii) the design of a fund managing the loan and its governance. Identification completed on 2 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Ecuador Emergency Recovery Loan:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 2 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**(R) EC Ibarra Transport Infrastructure Improvement Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve mobility of Ibarra and the use of recreational spaces in the Yahuarcocha lagoon area. *Negotiations authorized on 26 October 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147280. US\$52.5 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Municipality of Ibarra Tel: 011-593-983500313, E-mail: jvaca@ibarra.gob.ec, Contact: Jorge Martinez, Mayor of Ibarra.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**EC Support to Subnationals for Improved WSS:** The PDO is to increase access to improved water and sanitation services in selected areas in Ecuador. Identification completed on 2 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$121.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# El Salvador

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Youth Employment and Employability Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 16 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$130.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined. **Local Governance and Economic Development:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 23 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**El Salvador Safer Cities Through Social Resilience:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 12 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$110.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Guatemala

**GT Urban Infrastructure:** The Project's Development Objective (PDO) is to increase access to basic urban infrastructure and services and to reduce risk factors of crime and violence in selected communities. Negotiations authorized on 19 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P143495. US\$45.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Mancomunidad Gran Ciudad del Sur Tel: 50255179845, E-mail: thomashl1@hotmail.com, Contact: Thomas Henry, PIU Manager.

**Revenue Administration Modernization Project:** The principal project stakeholder is the Superintendencia de Administración Tibutaria (SAT). SAT stands to benefit from (i) strengthening its organizational, managerial and technical capability, and (ii) upgrading and integrating its information management systems that support SAT business needs. Other important stakeholders are the Ministry of Public Finances (MPF) and the Government as a whole that expect improvements in revenue collection. And finally, the private sector, including importers and exporters, expects improved service provision to tax payers and the commerce community.

The development objective of the proposed operation is threefold:(i) to increase tax compliance while reducing its cost for taxpayers through fair and transparent application of the tax law; (ii) to improve efficiency of revenue administration; and (iii) to facilitate cross-border commerce. Concept completed on 26 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P153366. US\$40.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Superintendencia de Administracion Tributaria Tel: 502-2362-7111.

# Guyana

# Education

**(R) AF UG Science and Technology Support:** The objective of the Project is to strengthen the four science and technology faculties at UG through infrastructure, research and curricular improvements while building the basis for improved facilities management and future growth. *Negotiations authorized on 6 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P156746. US\$ 3.7 (IDA Credit). *No consultants are required.* Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Haiti

**(R) Providing an Education of Quality in Haiti (PEQH):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 17 March 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

Haiti Modern Energy Services For All: The Project Development Objective is to jump-start renewable off-grid electricity market in order to facilitate the scale-up of access to modern energy services for rural households, enterprises and institutions.

Renewable energy-based off-grid electricity services will comprise a variety of technologies and business models, including individual systems, such as solar lanterns and solar home systems, and community-based systems, such as mini- and micro-grids, powered by renewable energy or hybrid sources (renewables with a diesel back-up and/or battery storage).

This objective will be achieved primarily through assisting the Government with the creation of an enabling regulatory framework and the provision of funding to the private sector (including NGOs and cooperatives) for commercially viable off-grid electrification investments with a potential for replicability and scale-up. - Concept completed on 27 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P154351. US\$ 16.0 (CCTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Haiti: Renewable Energy for All: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 30 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 23.0 (CSCF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Second Additional Financing Infra & Instit Emergency Recovery:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 9 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 2.8 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(N) Haiti PFM Transparency and StatCap Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 17 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category C*. US\$ 5.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**(R) Municipal Development and Urban Resilience Project:** The Project Development Objective is to improve delivery of resilient infrastructure, local services and urban management in the metropolitan area of Cap-Haitien. *Concept completed on 17 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155201. US\$ 30.0/7.5 (IDA Grant/CSCF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Honduras

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Corredor Seco Food Security Project:** The objective of the Project is to enhance food and nutritional security of vulnerable households in Selected Areas of the CorredorSeco. Approval completed on 25 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148737. US\$ 30.0 (GAFS). Consulting services to be determined. Honduras Strategic Investment Office Tel: 504-9870-7730, E-mail: mbogran@mcahonduras.hn, Contact: Marco Bogran, Executive Director.

# Energy and mining

**Sustainable rural energy services:** The development objective for the proposed project is to enhance the enabling framework and business models to increase access to clean energy services in rural and peri-urban areas. This will be achieved through the promotion of public and private investments in renewable energy for off-grid electrification and efficient cooking solutions. Concept completed on 22 May 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P131602. US\$ 10.0 (CSCF). Consultants will be required. Secretaria de Finanzas - Unidad de Cambio Climatico Tel: 504-9450-1509, E-mail: Imatute@sefin.gob.hn, Contact: Leonardo Matute, Coordinador SREP.

#### Health and other social services

**HN Social Protection and Labor:** This project will support the implementation and reform of the national conditional cash transfer program, as well as the broad social protection strategy in the country. It will also support the capacity to design and evaluate employment programs. Identification completed on 28 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 30.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Jamaica

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Promoting Community-based Climate Resilience in the Fisheries Sector:** Objective to be Determined. Concept completed on 11 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151302. US\$ 5.0 (CSCF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Finance

**JM** Access to Finance: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 1 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$20.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Improving Climate Data and Information Management:** The project development objective is to improve the quality of climate related information for effective planning and action at local and national levels. Approval completed on 28 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P129633. US\$ 6.8 (CSCF). No consultants are required. Planning Institute of Jamaica (PIOJ) Tel: (876) 935-5059, E-mail: Barbara\_Scott@pioj.gov.jm, Contact: Hopeton Peterson, Manager.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Jamaica Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Project:** 11. The proposed Development Objective is to enhance the country's resilience to natural hazards, including its response capacity to adverse natural events. This would be achieved through investments in resilient infrastructure, improved hazard data collection and monitoring systems to better inform future investment decisions, and institutional strengthening for disaster risk management. Concept completed on 19 March 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146965. *US\$30.0 (IBRD)*. Consulting services to be determined. Jamaica Social Investment Fund Tel: (876) 968-4545, E-mail: omar.sweeney@jsif.org, Contact: Omar Sweeney, Managing Director.

#### Mexico

#### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Dedicated Grant Mechanism for IP and LC:** The DGM will provide direct financing to Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities in Mexico through a small grants facility that will address deforestation and forest degradation and support the objectives of the Forest Investment Program. Activities to be financed will include support for indigenous and local community participation in policy and development planning processes at the district, state and national levels. The DGM will be governed by a National Steering Committee composed of indigenous peoples and local community representatives. Identification completed on 25 August 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 6.0 (CSCF). Consulting services to be determined.

#### Education

**Mexico Reducing Inequality of Educational Opportunity Project:** The objectives of the Project are: (a) to improve parental competencies in early childhood development in targeted rural communities; and (b) increase the transition rate from the primary to the secondary education level in CONAFE-administered schools in targeted municipalities. Approval completed on 24 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P149858. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. CONAFE Tel: (52-5) 5241-7443, E-mail: anavarretez@conafe.gob.mx, Contact: ...

#### Energy and mining

**Mexico Municipal Energy Efficiency Project:** The development objective of the proposed project is to promote the efficient use of energy in municipalities by financing energy efficiency investments in selected municipal sectors and strengthening the enabling environment. Appraisal completed on 21 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149872. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Finance

**MX: Expanding Rural Finance:** The project's development objective is to expand the availability of finance to the rural economy. Negotiations authorized on 5 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P153338. US\$400.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**MX** - National Integrated Solid Waste Management: The project will contribute to the following higher-level objectives: (i) improvement of public health and quality of life through reducing exposure to pollutants and disease vectors from solid waste; (ii) improvement of institutional capacity at the three levels of government through establishing cutting-edge technical, administrative and financial models for integrated solid waste management (SWM); (iii) enhancement of the SWM legal and regulatory framework in order to promote policy reforms; (iv) support the development of recycling and waste reduction programs nationwide; (v) improve local governance through enhancing cooperation among sub-national governments; and (v) address social inclusion through supporting social integration of informal waste pickers with training and formalization of waste separation programs. Identification completed on 11 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$120.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**MX Water Supply Service Improvement Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 9 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$150.0/175.0 (IBRD/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Nicaragua

#### Energy and mining

**NI Geothermal Resource Risk Mitigation Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 25 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$* 30.0/*15.0*/*70.5* (IDA Credit/*CSCF*/*ZPCO*). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Information and communications

**Caribbean Regional Communications Program (CARCIP)-Nicaragua:** Increase access to regional broadband networks and advance the development of an IT and IT enabled services (IT-ITES) industry in Nicaragua and in the Caribbean Region. Concept completed on 18 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155235. US\$ 18.5 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Panama

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Sustainable Production Systems and Conservation of Biodiversity:** The proposed global environmental objective is to conserve globally significant biodiversity through improved management effectiveness of the project protected areas and biodiversity mainstreaming in the buffer zones. Approval completed on 9 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145621. US\$ 9.6/8.5 (GEFU/ZPCI). Consultants will be required. Please check with the task team. Autoridad Nacional del Ambiente Tel: (507) 232-9600, E-mail: zpinzon@anam.gob.pa, Contact: Zuleiika Pinzon, Directora de Areas Protegidas y Vida Silvestre.

**Panama Inclusive Rural Productivity:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 9 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$64.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**Strengthening Social Protection and Inclusion System:** The Project Development Objective is to increase the efficiency of the social protection system and improve the income generation capacity of the poor and vulnerable. Approval completed on 23 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P155097. US\$75.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**PA Metro Water and Sanitation Improvement Project II:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 10 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. *US\$175.0 (IBRD)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**PA Panama Oeste Wastewater Management Project:** To (i) improve access to sanitation services, (ii) reduce environmental pollution from wastewater generated in targeted areas of Panama Oeste, and (iii) to strengthen wastewater pollution management capacity in Panama Concept completed on 18 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154275. *US*\$100.0/50.0/50.0 (IBRD/ANDC/EUIB). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(N) Support for the National Indigenous Peoples Development Plan:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 10 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B.* US\$80.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Paraguay

# Transportation

**PY Transport Connectivity:** The Project Development Objectives (PDO) are to improve the efficiency in the management of the country's national road transport network, and contribute to improved road safety outcomes. This will be achieved through (i) enhancing the institutional capacities of the MOPC for strategic planning and management of the road network (ii); implementing more efficient mechanisms of road asset preservation namely performance based contracts on selected national roads, and (iii) improving the capabilities of the newly created road safety agency in order to positively influence road safety outcomes in Paraguay. Concept completed on 4 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147278. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. MOPC Tel: 595-921-414-9539, E-mail: upgp@mopc.gov.py, Contact: Federico Fernandez, Head UPGP.

# Peru

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Sustainable Forest Management in Atalaya, Ucayali.:** The High Level Objective of Peru's Forest Investment Plan (PIP), which is expected to generate a transformative impact within the next 10-15 years, is to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions produced by deforestation and forest degradation, and enhance carbon reserves in sustainable forest landscapes, thereby helping to reach the national target of "Declining net emissions to equivalent to zero in the category of Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry by . 2021". To achieve this objective the PIP is expected to generate two types of co-benefits: (i) reduce poverty of indigenous communities and other local populations, under a gender equality approach, by increasing income form management of sustainable forest landscapes and productive agroforestry mosaics; and (ii) reduce the loss of biodiversity and maintenance of forest ecosystem services.

The Project Development Objective is to improve the capacity of forest communities and government agencies to manage forest resources sustainably, strengthen forest tenure rights and enhance forest governance leading to reduce GHG emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in the Atalaya Province. Concept completed on 26 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148932. US\$ 12.6 (CSCF). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Environment Tel: 516116000, E-mail: gquijandria@minam.gob.pe, Contact: Gabriel Quijandria, Viceministrer.

**National Program for Innovation in Fisheries and Aquaculture:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 3 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$40.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Education

**(R) Strengthening the Science, Technology and Innovation System in Peru:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 17 September 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B.* US\$45.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Information and communications

**National ICT Connectivity:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 15 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$70.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Saweto Dedicated Grant Mechanism in Peru:** The Project Development Objective for the Saweto DGM is to support Indigenous Peoples in selected communities in the Peruvian Amazon in their efforts to improve their sustainable forest management practices. Approval completed on 11 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148499. US\$ 5.5 (CSCF). Consulting services to be determined. Confederacion de Nacionalidades Amazonicas del Peru.

#### Transportation

**Support to the Subnational Transport Program Project:** The Project development objectives are to (i) facilitate sustainable road access of Peru's rural populations to services, (ii) reduce transport costs on rural roads linked to priority logistics corridors, and (iii) strengthen decentralized road management. Negotiations authorized on 19 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P132515. US\$50.0/50.0 (IBRD/IADB). Consultants will be required. PROVIAS Descentralizado Tel: /Fax: (51-1) 614-5300, E-mail: jrodriguez@proviasdes.gob.pe, Contact: Jose Rodriguez, Executive Director.

**Peru Lima Urban Development:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 10 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Peru: Investments for Environmentally Sustainable Development:** The project development objective (PDO) is to enhance environmental management through (i) increase the quality, availability and reliability of environmental data to decision makers and civil society; (ii) improve mechanisms to identify and address environmental priorities at the regional and national levels, and, (iii) improve mechanisms for opening up decision making on environmental aspects to public scrutiny. Concept completed on 30 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147342. US\$40.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Environment Tel: 51-16116000, E-mail: acuba@minam.gob.pe, Contact: Amalia Cuba Salerno, General Director of Environmental Policy and Norms.

**Peru Lima Metro Line 2 Project:** The PDO is to provide a major east-west axis (Ate-Lima-Callao) of the Lima-Callao Metropolitan Region with a modern and integrated mass transit system that will improve accessibility to jobs and services in the area of influence of Lima Metro Line 2 and the Gambetta branch of Line 4. Approval completed on 15 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P145610. US\$300.0/150.0/300.0/2801.0 (IBRD/ANDC/IADB/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. AATE Tel: 51-1-2242444, E-mail: Jmgonzales@mtc.gob.pe, Contact: José Zárate Garay, Executive Director; OSITRAN Tel: 51-1-4405115, E-mail: pbenavente@ositran.gob.pe, Contact: Patricia Benavente Donayre, Executive President.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Water Reform Program:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 12 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$250.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**PE Integrated Water Resources Management for Peru:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 25 August 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$20.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. ANA -National Water Authority Tel: (511) 713-0019, E-mail: calva@ana.gob.pe, Contact: Cromwell Alva, Executive Director.

**PE AF-Second Optimization of Lima Water & Sewerage:** Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 15 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$55.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. SEDAPAL Tel: (51-1) 317-3095, E-mail: ysanchez@sedapal.com.pe, Contact: Marco Vargas Medina, General Manager (a.i.).

# St. Lucia

# Transportation

**SLU Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Project (Additional Finance):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 30 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$ 1.2/6.4 (IDA Credit/ECEU)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# St. Vincent and the Grenadines

**(N) St. Vincent and the Grenadines RDVRP AF:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 23 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B.* US\$ 6.6 (ECDF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Regional Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Project (Additional Finance):** The Program aims at measurably reducing vulnerability to natural hazards and climate change impacts in the Eastern Caribbean Sub-region. The objective of the Project in Grenada is to measurably reduce vulnerability to natural hazards and climate change impacts in Grenada and in the Eastern Caribbean Sub-region. The objective of the Project in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines is to measurably reduce vulnerability to natural hazards and climate change impacts in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and in the Eastern Caribbean Sub-region. The achievement of the Program Development Objectives of the Regional Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Program (RDVRP) would be measured using the following key indicators: (a) Reduced risk of OECS population to failure of public buildings and infrastructure due to natural hazards or climate change impacts; and (b) Increased capacity of OECS Governments to identify and monitor climate risk and impacts. Approval completed on 9 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146768. US\$ 35.6/5.0 (IDA Credit/CSCF). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning Tel: (784) 457-1746, E-mail: cenplan@svgcpd.com, Contact:, Public Sector Investment Program Management Unit.

# Suriname

**Suriname Flood Risk Management Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$22.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Regional

# Finance

**OECS Fin Sec Strengthening:** The project development objective is to strengthen the financial sector by facilitating the resolution of Non Performing Loans, strengthening the banking sector and establishing a financial sector safety net. Concept completed on 3 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P151940. US\$ 26.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(N) OECS SME Guarantee Facility:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 5 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category F.* US\$2.7/5.3 (IBRD/IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Health and other social services

**OECS Social Resilience and Human Development Project:** The project will aim at improving resilience and enhancing human capital in the OECS countries through enhanced implementation capacity in the health sector (NCDs), better quality of education and skills for jobs, and greater effectiveness of the social protection systems. Identification completed on 11 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$10.0/12.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Industry and trade

**OECS Competitiveness Project:** 15. The programme's objective is to lay the foundation to improve the competitiveness of the tourism sector in the OECS region. This will be achieved through (a) increasing tourism spending at selected pilot programme locations in each of the participating countries; (b) establishing a strategic approach to tourism development; (c) facilitating the movement of people among participating islands, using existing ferry systems; and (d) supporting better quality of services in the tourism sector. Concept completed on 24 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152117. US\$15.0/10.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Finance, Planning, Economic Development, Trade, Energy & Cooperatives Tel: 473-440-6843, E-mail: timothy.antoine@gov.gd, Contact: Mr. Timothy Antoine, Permanent Secretary; Ministry of Finance, Economic Affairs and Social Security Tel: 758-468-5501, E-mail: reginald.darius@govt.lc, Contact: Reginald Darius, Permanent Secretary.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Dropped Andes Adaptation Impact of Climate Change in Water Resource:** The project has been designed to tackle the challenge of adaptation to climate change on selected sectors from a technology transfer, knowledge exchange and regional collaboration angle. Based on previous experience in the region, the project will select those technologies and approaches that have been proved valid elsewhere and try to adapt and replicate them in the other countries, according to the special needs and gaps of each one of them.

Specifically, the proposed objective of this project is to generate tools and knowledge to enable governments to promote resilient management of their water resources through the inclusion of climate change impacts into policy, planning and on the ground investments on selected sectors, and to promote south-south learning, collaboration andtechnology transfer. Concept completed on 19 April 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145345. US\$ 9.7 (GEFU). Consulting services to be determined. Secretaria General de la Comunidad Andina Tel: (51-1) 710-6400, E-mail: tursula@comunidadandina.org, Contact: Tomas Ursula, Coordinator.

# Middle East And North Africa

# Djibouti

# Health and other social services

**DJ HRITF Health AF:** The HRITF additional financing will support the ongoing Health Improvement Project, which is an RBF operation. Approval completed on 8 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 7.0 (HRBF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**DJ Social Safety Net Project Additional Financing:** The project development objectives are to: (a) support the provision of short-term employment opportunities in community-based labor-intensive works for the poor and vulnerable; and (b) support the improvement of nutrition practices among participating householdsfocusing on pre-school children and pregnant/lactating women. Approval completed on 28 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149621. US\$ 5.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Agence Djiboutienne de Développement Social (ADDS) Tel: (253-21) 358-655, E-mail: mahdi.mohamed.djama@gmail.com, Contact: Mahdi Mohamed Djama, Directeur Général.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**DJ** Additional Financing Rural CDD and Water Sector Capacity: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 22 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$ 6.5 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Egypt, Arab Republic of

# Education

**(N) Egypt Education Quality Improvement Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 8 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B.* US\$400.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

**Egypt Energy Systems Improvement Project:** The objective of the project is to help increase power system efficiency in Egypt. The project proposes to Convert an existing 600 MW simple cycle power plant into a CCGT plant by adding 300 MW generation capacity. It will also install smart meters for 700,000 customers in the industrial, commercial and residential segments. Identification completed on 30 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$400.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Local Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 23 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$500.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Equal Access and Simplified Environment for Investment (EASE) in Egypt:** To improve the regulatory environment for investors through simplified licensing and transparent industrial land allocation processes. Approval completed on 2 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P153487. US\$ 5.0 (MNIS). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Investment/General Authority for Investment Tel: 202-240-55414, E-mail: asalman@investment.gov.eg, Contact: Mona Zobaa, Undersecretary; Industrial Development Authority Tel: 202-261-34990, E-mail: Gaber\_2008@window-slive.com, Contact: Ms. Hala A. Alshawarby, Director of Projects and Head of Projects Council.

# Transportation

**EG-Urban Transport Infrastructure Development:** 21. The Development Objective of the project is improved speed and lower emissions of public bus traffic on selected corridors. The main project beneficiaries would be the users of urban bus transport services, about 70% of which are estimated to be in the lower 40% income group .

22.The PDO would be achieved through the following main project inputs: (i) civil works to build segregated lanes for buses along some corridors and make further improvements to the newly created pilot bus corridor in Nasr City, with the objective to improve the average speed of buses along those corridors, and demonstrate the impact of segregated bus lanes on service quality; (ii) procurement and deployment of clean technology investments, mainly new buses and modern bus workshop facilities and (iii) technical support to Cairo Governorate towards improving the efficiency of public transport services and improving traffic control. Funding from the project loan could also be used to support CTA reform actions which may be decided and adopted by Cairo Governorate during project execution. Concept completed on 23 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149704. US\$200.0/50.0 (IBRD/CCTF). Consulting services to be determined. Cairo Governorate Tel: 02-2390-7754, E-mail: abdrabu1000@yahoo.com, Contact: Mr. Galal Mostafa Said, Governor.

# Water, sanitation and flood protection

Cairo Municipal Solid Waste Management Project: The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to support

Municipal Solid Waste Management in the targeted areas in Cairo Governorate. Concept completed on 5 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P152961. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Consultants services will be required to prepare the project economic feasibility study, preliminary design, preparation of bidding documents for a Design-Build-Operate scheme for the new sanitary waste management facilities; and the preparation of the environmental and social impact assessment. Cairo Governorate Tel: 02-2390-7754, E-mail: abdrabu1000@yahoo.com, Contact: Mr. Galal Mostafa Said, Governor.

# Iraq

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Irrigation and Drainage Improvement Project:** The proposed project development objective (PDO) is to "increase access to irrigation and drainage services in targeted areas". This increase will be accomplished by rehabilitating and improving the irrigation and drainage schemes. Concept completed on 10 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P149803. US\$140.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Water Resources Tel: 964-1772-0240, E-mail: legalcontracts@mowr.gov.iq, Contact: Jamal Mohsin Ali, DG of Legal and Contracts.

# Energy and mining

Electricity Distribution Reform and Investment Project (EDRIP): Iraq continues to suffer significant short-falls in electricity supply, amidst unchecked growth in demand. Inadequate supply of electricity is estimated to represent an annual economic cost of around \$43B (66% of GDP in 2009), and has continued to dampen Iraq's ability to affect poverty alleviation even whilst GDP continues to grow. Whilst significant investments are being made in additional power generation and transmission to increase supply, there must also be concomitant investments in the electricity distribution system to ensure that additional power supply reaches consumers efficiently. Presently, up to 40% of electricity generated is lost in the distribution system - either as system losses (around 13-17%) or through theft or un-metered supply (around 23%). A tariff that is set well below cost recovery (at around 1c/kWhr), poor metering and lack of efficient billing and collection means that there is little effective price control on demand, which continues to grow at around 8% per year. Electricity distribution and retail sectors are managed with limited management systems and limited access to system performance data, making efficient distribution of electricity virtually impossible. The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Electricity have stated an intention to privatize the electricity distribution sector in order to increase efficiency and quality of electricity supply. However, very significant efforts and investments will need to be made to improve the performance of the distribution system across of a range of key performance indicators (predominantly related to reducing system losses and increasing system efficiency), before privatization can be considered. This project provides financing to support reform and investment in Iraq's electricity distribution sector. The principal objective of the Project is to improve the performance of the electricity distribution system, reduce system losses and enable more effective management of the sector. A series of reforms and investments will be designed in accordance with technical assistance that is currently ongoing to develop a roadmap for reform and investment in Iraq's electricity distribution sector. Identification completed on 27 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$500.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Electricity Tel: (964-790) 192-1982, E-mail: nafaaabdelsada@yahoo.com, Contact: Nafae Abdelsada, Director, Distribution.

# Health and other social services

**Expanding the Engagement of Youth Inclusion and Peace Building:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 7 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 5.0 (MNCC). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**PFM Institutional Development and Capacity Building:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$30.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

IQ - Railway Safety Improvement Project: To improve the safety, capacity and reliability for passengers and freight on

the railway line between Um Qasr seaport and Baghdad. Concept completed on 4 August 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150441. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Iraqi Republic Railways Company Tel: 009647901743236, E-mail: salamjsalom@yahoo.com, Contact: Mr. Salam J. Salom, Head of Iraqi Republic Railway (IRR).

**Iraq Cross Border Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 8 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Baghdad Water and Sewerage Improvement Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) of BWSIP is to improve the quality of water and sewerage services in Baghdad. The Project will support improvements in high-priority and high-impact areas. Concept completed on 14 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150409. US\$210.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Jordan

# Transportation

**R15 Corridor Upgrade Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Red Sea-Dead Sea Phase 1:** - Identification completed on 6 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 100.0 (GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Lebanon

# Energy and mining

**Partial Risk Guarantee: Floating Storage & Regasification Unit Project:** The proposed operation consists of providing a credit enhancement mechanism to address the low credit worthiness of the power sector, to support the development of a floating regasification and storage unit (FRSU) to enable the import of LNG into Lebanon. The proposed instrument will be a Partial Risks Guarantee (PRG) back-stopping liquidity payments under a Terminal Use Agreement (TUA) entered between GoL and the FSRU project developer/owner/operator. Identification completed on 8 July 2013. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 60.0 (GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Health and other social services

**Social Promotion And Protection Project:** The development objective of SPPP is to increase access to social development services at the community level, improve the coverage and targeting of the National Poverty Targeting Program (NPTP), and build the capacity of the Ministry of Social Affairs (MOSA) at the central and the Social Development Center (SDC) levels. Approval completed on 17 May 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P124761. US\$30.0 (IBRD). No consultants are required. Ministry of Social Affairs Tel: 961-1-611242, E-mail: bashiros7@yahoo.fr, Contact: Bashir Osmat, Advisor to the Minister.

# Transportation

**Greater Beirut Urban Transport:** 14. The Project Development Objective is to improve transport connectivity and mobility on Beirut's northern entrance between Tabarja and Beirut.

15. This objective will be achieved through (i) the construction of a new BRT system between Tabarja and Beirut, (ii)the establishment of feeder bus services to the trunk BRT line and within Beirut, and (iii) establishing appropriate institutional arrangements for the management, operation and maintenance of the new mass transit system. Concept completed on 13 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P146691. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Council for Development and Reconstruction Tel: 961-1-980-0096, E-mail: njisr@cdr.gov.lb, Contact: Mr. Nabil El-Jisr, President; Ministry of Transport Tel: 961-1-371644, E-mail: ministry@transportation.gov.lb, Contact: Mr. Abdel Hafiz Kaysi, Director General.

**Beirut Bypass Corridor:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 8 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Lake Qaraoun Pollution Prevention Project:** The development objectives of the project are to reduce the quantity of untreated municipal sewage discharged into the Litani river and to improve pollution management around Lake Qaraoun. Negotiations authorized on 7 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P147854. US\$55.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Council for Development and Reconstruction Tel: (961-1) 981-380, E-mail: wafac@cdr.gov.lb, Contact: Ms. Wafaa Charafeddin, Director of Funding Division.

# Morocco

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**MA-Large Scale Irrigation Modernization Project:** The project development objectives (PDO) are: (i) for the Doukkala ORMVA, the Gharb ORMVA, the Haouz ORMVA and the Tadla ORMVA, to provide an improved water service to farmers, and (ii) for targeted farmers in the Project Area, to have better access to improved irrigation technologies. Approval completed on 8 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150930. US\$150.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Finance

**Seed and Early Stage Equity Financing in Morocco:** Through the establishment of a financing facility that can attract the appropriate risk capital from the private sector to invest in start-ups and high growth SMEs, this project will support the Government of Morocco address a market failure in financing for new and growth oriented SMEs who contribute substantially to job creation. Identification completed on 21 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**Investing in Opportunities for Youth in Morocco:** The objective of the lending operation is to support the implementation of priority measures of the Morocco Integrated National Youth Strategy, covering 5 key areas : (i) increasing youth access to economic opportunities and employability ; (ii) increasing youth access to quality services, including lagging regions and disadvantaged communities ; (iii) promoting active youth participation in decision-making at local and national levels ; (iv) promoting the respect of Human Rights and (v) strengthening institutional capacity for implementation, monitoring and evaluation.

The lending operation will support cross-sectoral measures for young people aged 15 to 29, including disadvantaged and inactive youth, ranging from skills acquisition and job intermediation, to entrepreneurship, integrated youth services at community level with youth participation in management and service delivery, and youth volunteering initiatives.

The project will be implemented by various entities such as the Ministry of Youth and Sports, the Ministry of Employment and Social Affairs and the Ministry of Small Enterprises and Informal Sector through Public, Private and NGO partnerships. Identification completed on 17 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$85.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Improving the System of Service Delivery for Social Protection:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 27 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Transportation

**Morocco Second Rural Roads Project - AF2:** The proposed additional financing is a follow-up to the Second Rural Roads Project approved in May 2006 and to the first additional financing approved in April 2010. It will continue to support the Government's Second National Program of Rural Roads (NPRR2).

The proposed additional financing will be used to finance a funding gap for activities appraised as part of the NPRR2, but for which no other financier has been identified. It will allow the Borrower (Caisse pour le Financement Routier) to finalize the last tranche of its borrowing plan for the NPRR2. Approval completed on 9 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148003. US\$96.6 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Caisse pour le financement routier Tel: (212-53) 771-3241, E-mail: imzel@mtpnet.gov.ma, Contact: Ahmed Imzel, Director.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Morocco Integrated Urban Water Management:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to ensure water security for urban communities in targeted, water-scarce areas in the Project provinces and to introduce an integrated management approach based on an economic optimum. Concept completed on 10 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P151128. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Office National de l'Electricité et de l'Eau Potable (ONEE) Tel: 212537759600, E-mail: sbadri@onee.ma, Contact: Samira Badri, Direction Financière.

# Tunisia

#### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Irrigated Agriculture Modernization Project:** Following discussions between the SM and the CMU, it was decided to create the P code / AIS for this project, while dropping the Tunisia - Wastewater reuse project (P125176, PCN on October 5, 2011). This reflects the change in priority of the Government of Tunisia concerning water use in agriculture. Identification completed on 23 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**TUNISIA: Forest and Rangeland Ecosystems Co-Management project:** The development objective of the project is to improve integrated management of forests and rangelands in targeted areas in Tunisia

Targeted geographical areas will be more precisely identified during preparation phase, through more in-depths and participatory discussions with representatives of ministerial departments and local governments' authorities as well as other stakeholders. In general, the team plans to target watersheds and agro-pastoral areas that are critical for the provision of goods and services to local communities, the Tunisian society and global community. These will be selected based on specific criteria, such as number of forest and rangeland users, poverty level, environmental degradation, downstream impacts /externality (e.g. water reservoirs serving major users, desertification and silting of roads and other infrastructures). Concept completed on 11 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151030. US\$50.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Education

**Tunisia Tertiary Education for Employability Project:** The objective of the proposed new project is to improve the employability of future graduates and modernize the management of higher education. Concept completed on 16 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P151059. US\$70.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH & TECHNOLOGY Tel: 21658478177, E-mail: najlaromdhane@hotmail.fr, Contact: Mme Najla Romdhane, Director, Unite de Coordination.

#### Energy and mining

**Tunisia - Italy Transmission Corridor:** This operation is towards the realization of a transmission interconnection corridor between Tunisia and Italy. The benefits of this corridor is to improve security of supply and stability of networks on both

sides of the Mediterranean. The project will also contribute to sustainable development. Identification completed on 18 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Information and communications

**Accelerating High-Speed Internet Access in Tunisia:** The proposed project development objective (PDO) is to contribute to expanding and developing Tunisia's broadband services by accelerating ultra fast broadband (UFB) deployment in appropriate geographical locations with the involvement of the private sector and by furthering competition in the sector. Identification completed on 31 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$100.0/78.0/28.0 (IBRD/AFDB/FRDE). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Tunisia - Northern Tunis Wastewater Project Additional Finance:** The Project's Development Objective is to provide an environmentally safe disposal system for the treated wastewater in the North of Tunis. Negotiations authorized on 13 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P154713. US\$25.0 (IBRD). No consultants are required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# West Bank and Gaza

# Education

**(R)** Additional Financing for Teacher Education Improvement Project: The main objective of this project is to improve the competencies and skills of class teachers (i.e., those teaching grades one to four) in West Bank and Gaza schools, and in doing so to contribute to enhancing student learning in primary schools. This objective will be achieved through two type of interventions targeted at teacher educators, student teachers and under-qualified practicing teachers. First, the proposed project will support investments aimed at improving the quality and pertinence of the school-based practice component of teacher education (the teaching practicum) programs. Second, TEIP will support the supply of quality programs by higher education institutions to facilitate the upgrading of academic and professional knowledge and skills of the large proportion of practicing class teachers (i.e., teachers teaching in grades one to four) who are currently under-qualified in their academic and/or professional teaching qualifications and who do not satisfy the new standards for teacher certification that are being developed by the Commission for Developing the Teaching Profession (CDTP) with support from EU-UNESCO. The target population of the proposed project is future teachers that are being prepared to become class teachers and under-qualified teachers currently teaching in grades one to four. *Approval completed on 2 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P152914. US\$ 3.0 (SPF). No consultants are required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

**Solar Energy Supply for Northern Gaza Sewage Treatment Plant (NGEST):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 22 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 5.0 (WBGB). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**GZ: Electricity Sector Performance Improvement Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 5 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 2.0/2.0 (SPF/WBGF). Consulting services to be determined. Palestine Energy and Natural Resources Authority.

**(N)** Additional Financing for the West Ban and Gaza Electric Utility Management Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Gaza Emergency Response for Electricity Network Rehabilitation (AF):** The Project objective is to restore and improve basic electricity services in Gaza. Approval completed on 30 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152411. US\$ 15.0 (SPF). Consultants will be required. Palestinian Energy and Natural Resources Authority (PENRA) Tel: 97097222986192, E-mail: chairman@menr.org, Contact: Harry Kuma, Secretary of Finance.

#### Finance

**(R)** West Bank and Gaza: Finance for Jobs: The SOP development objective (PDO) is to mobilize private investment financing in high potential sectors and generate job opportunities for the West Bank and Gaza.

The F4J PDO is to test the effectiveness of selected financial interventions. *Negotiations authorized on 11 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151089. US\$ 5.0 (SPF). *Consultants will be required*. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

West Bank and Gaza Cash Transfer Project Second Additional Financing: This proposed second additional financing will continue to fund the reforms of the Palestinian Social safety net including scaling up a cash transfer program for poor and vulnerable households.

The Project Development Objectives are (i) to mitigate the impact of the continued socio-economic crisis on a subset of the extremely poor and most vulnerable households; and (ii) to support the PA's efforts to continue reforms of the Cash Transfer Program. Identification completed on 12 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 8.0 (SPF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**GZ Emergency Response Second Municipal Development Project AF:** The revised PDO will be "to improve the Recipient's municipal management practices for better municipal transparency and service delivery, and to restore priority municipal services following the conflict in Gaza". Approval completed on 30 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152523. US\$ 12.0/3.0 (PWUD/SPF). Consultants will be required. Municipal Development and Lending Fund Tel: 022971878, E-mail: abednofal@mdlf.org.ps, Contact: Mr. Abdel Mughni Nofal, MDLF Director General.

**GZ-Integrated Housing and Urban Development Project:** Unlocking the economic growth potential of Palestinian cities requires an integrated urban development approach. Despite the existing activities, private sector-led investments, including in the housing sector, have remained limited to date. Additional support would be required to build critical local government capacity to lead, manage and demonstrate the feasibility of new housing and urban development. Following a request from the Palestinian Authority (PA) Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Public Works and Housing, the proposed project would aim addressing the multi-sectoral issues of housing and urban development and integrated approach, building on the Bank's ongoing strong engagement in the sector. The proposed objective would be to support the PA and selected local authorities in designing, financing and implementing integrated housing and urban development pilot projects in partnership with the private sector. The proposed pilot initiative would focus on few selected municipalities which have reached higher levels of capacity, i.e., those ranking high in the Municipal Development Program performance category; and support targeted multi-sector interventions to leverage private sector financing for housing development. Identification completed on 10 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 5.0 (SPF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**GZ-Second Municipal Development Project AF:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 30 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 6.9 (PWUD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

Additional Financing for Water Supply & Sewage Systems Improvement: To improve the quality and efficiency of water supply and wastewater service provision in Gaza and assist in restoration of basic water supply and wastewater services through: (i) rehabilitation and reconstruction of existing and damaged water and wastewater systems, and (ii) enhancing the capacity of the Coastal Municipalities Water Utility (CMWU) to sustain water and wastewater services. Approval completed on 30 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151032. US\$ 12.0/3.0 (PWUD/SPF). No consultants are required. Palestinian Water Authority, Contact: Project Management Unit

Hebron Regional Wastewater Management Project - Phase 1: The objective is to reduce the environmental pollution

from wastewater produced in the Hebron Municipality. Approval completed on 22 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P117449. US\$ 4.8/18.7/13.9/4.5 (AID/ECEU/GFRC/SPF). Consultants will be required. Hebron Municipality Tel: 970-2-222-7992, E-mail: zatarid@hebron-city.ps, Contact: Prof. Dr. Daoud I. Zatari, Mayor; Palestinian Water Authority Tel: 970-2-2987665, E-mail: mghunaim@pwa.ps, Contact: Eng. Mazen Ghunaim, Minister, Head of PWA.

**North Gaza Emergency Sewage Treatment Project - Third Additional Financing:** The objective is to complete construction of the North Gaza wastewater treatment plant, complete the first phase of the effluent recovery and reuse scheme, and ensure the sustainability of the waste water services by financing capacity building and operation and maintenance costs on a declining basis over three years. Approval completed on 14 April 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 2.6/5.0/3.0 (BELG/PWUD/SPF). Consulting services to be determined. Palestine Water Authority Tel: (970-8) 283-3609, E-mail: sali@pwa-gpmu.org, Contact: Chandanie Wijayawardene, Director General.

# Yemen, Republic of

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Climate Resilience of Rural Communities Project (CRRC):** The proposed development objective is to increase the resilience of the rural population to the impact of climate change through improved natural resource management. Concept completed on 6 February 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P144764. US\$ 18.6 (CSCF). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation Tel: 967-1-449669.

**RY-Climate Resilience of Coastal Communities (CRCC):** 12. The project objective is to improve the capacity of targeted coastal communities to plan for and respond to the potential impact of climate change and variability. Concept completed on 9 July 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P144813. US\$ 20.0 (CSCF). Consulting services to be determined. Environment Protection Authority (EPA) Tel: (967-1) 207-817, E-mail: khalshaibani@yahoo.com.

**Yemen Smallholder Agricultural Productivity Enhancement Project (SAPEP):** The project development objective is to increase the use of productivity and nutrition-enhancing crop and livestock practices by smallholders in targeted project areas. Appraisal completed on 4 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148747. US\$ 36.0 (GAFS). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation (MAI) Tel: 9671235873, E-mail: GAFSP@yemen.net.ye, Contact: Mr. Hamood Al-Rubaidi, Acting Project Director.

# Finance

**RY-Financial Inclusion for Yemen:** The objective of the proposed operation is expand access to finance for micro and small enterprises in Yemen, aiming to create jobs. The main target group is women and youth, with a particular focus on rural areas. The project is expected to be centered around a line of credit channeled through the Social Fund for Development to financial intermediaries who on-lend to beneficiaries. Identification completed on 2 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Local Development and Service Delivery Support Program (LDSDSP):** The proposed DLSDSP will support the Yemeni Government establish the legal and institutional framework for decentralization, and impart resources and capacities to strengthen regional and local governments.

The project development objective is to strengthen targeted regional and local governments in Yemen become more accountable and responsive, and improve their capacity to deliver services. Identification completed on 18 August 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined

# South Asia

# Afghanistan

#### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**(R) AF Additional Financing for Afghanistan On Farm Water Management Proj:** The PDO of the project is to improve agricultural productivity in project areas by enhancing the efficiency of water used. *Negotiations authorized on 10 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152870. US\$ 45.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**AF Additional Financing: Irrigation Restoration and Development:** Irrigation Restoration and Development Project (IRDP) has been under implementation since 2011 as an immediate follow up on the Emergency Irrigation Rehabilitation Project, which has successfully been implemented to quickly carry out rehabilitation of the damaged irrigation facilities throughout the country after decades of civil war in the country. IRDP has been implemented in a satisfactory manner, focusing on continued rehabilitation of the damaged irrigation facilities, development a few new dams in the Northern River Basin, and restoration of hydromet data collection and analysis capacity.

As the IRDP is approaching the mid-term review, the Government (the Ministry of Energy and Water (MEW)) and the Bank has made a joint assessment on the relevancy of the current project scope. As a result, agreement has been reached that the major restructuring would be needed to address the emerging water resources management (WRM) and the natural disaster risk management (DRM) would be needed. In particular, the restructuring would support the MEW to focus on the core-mandate of the MEW, including: (a) investment and operation of the large irrigation schemes, (b) investment, operation and maintenance and repair works for irrigation dams, (c) flood forecast and early warning, (d) river bank protection, and (e) groundwater monitoring. In this context, the MEW expressed interest in obtaining the additional financing (AF) for the IRDP as a part of the restructuring the project Identification completed on 1 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 70.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Citizens Charter Elements:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 30 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 400.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(N) National Horticulture and Livestock Project (NHLP) - Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 16 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$ 90.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Education

**Higher Education Development Project:** The project development objective is to increase access to, and improve the quality and relevance of, higher education in Afghanistan. Approval completed on 7 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146184. US\$ 50.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Higher Education.

#### Energy and mining

**Afghanistan Power System Development Project Additional Financing:** The development objective of the project is to increase the number of electricity connections for the urban centers of Charikar, Gulbahar and Jabul-es-Seraj and Pul-e-Khumri and to improve the availability of power from Naghlu and Mahipar switchyards. Approval completed on 7 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152975. US\$ 15.0 (ARTF). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(N)** Mazar-e-Sharif Gas-to-Power Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 28 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category A.* US\$ 25.0/45.0 (GUID/ZPCI). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing

agency(ies) to be determined.

**DABS Planning And Capacity Support:** The proposed project development objective (PDO) is to improve sustainably the capabilities of DABS to plan investments in, and maintenance of, the electricity distribution system. Concept completed on 15 May 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P131228. *US\$ 5.0 (ARTF)*. Consulting services to be determined. DABS.

**(R)** Naghlu Hydropower Rehabilitation Project: The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve dam safety and to increase the supply of electricity at the Naghlu HydropowerPlant. *Appraisal completed on 4 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P132944. US\$ 83.0 (ARTF). *Consultants will be required*. Da Afghanistan Breshna Sherkat Tel: (93-7) 0029-4722, E-mail: razique.samadi@dabs.af, Contact: Eng. Shekeeb Nessar, Chief Operations Officer; Ministry of Energy and Water Tel: (93-7) 5200-4998, E-mail: gfaruq11@yahoo.com, Contact: Eng. Ghulam Faruq Qazizada, Deputy Minister.

# Finance

Additional Financing to Financial Sector Rapid Response Project: This project is to assist DAB to improve its core function of banking supervision and regulation, and to help improve access to formal banking services by establishing key initial building blocks for further financial sector reform. Over its five-year implementation period, FSSP aims to strengthening DAB's capacity through: (i) strengthening of the off-site supervisory functions of DAB, (ii) strengthening of DAB's accounting and internal audit capabilities, and (iii) establishment of an effective human resource management system, and (iv) development of an effective information technology system. The project also assists in developing financial sector infrastructure through: (i) establishment of a Public Credit Registry, (ii) establishment of a Collateral Registry, and (iii) supporting the physical development of the Afghanistan Institute of Banking and Finance (AIBF). Approval completed on 26 November 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 6.7 (IDA Grant). No consultants are required. Ministry of Finance, E-mail: maqa2005@yahoo.com, Contact: Adris Walli, Aide Coordination Specialist; Da Afghanistan Bank Tel: (93-79) 722-3340, E-mail: zalmei.sherzad@centralbank.gov.af, Contact: Zalmie Sherzad, Project Director.

#### Health and other social services

**SEHAT Additional Financing:** The proposed AF to the SEHAT project (P129663) will finance the delivery of the Basic Package of Health Services (BPHS) and Essential Package of Hospital Services (EPHS) in the 13 provinces currently supported by USAID. As outlined in its 2/2/14 letter, USAID intends to provide an estimated total program contribution to ARTF in the amount of US\$ 227.6 million for the 5 year SEHAT program. In addition to supporting BPHS and EPHS (SEHAT component 1), the USAID contribution will support the provision of technical assistance to strengthen the stewardship capacity of MOPH and program management activities, (SEHAT components 2 and 3, respectively). Approval completed on 25 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152122. US\$ 248.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Industry and trade

**Afghanistan Rural Enterprise Development Project II:** This is a follow on project to the first Afghanistan Rural Enterprise Development Project. Identification completed on 8 November 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 100.3 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Municipal Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 28 March 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 1.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**ADDITIONAL FINANCING FOR SECOND CUSTOMS REFORM AND TRADE FACILITATION PROJECT:** To improve the release of legitimate goods in a fair and efficient manner. Approval completed on 11 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155443. US\$ 21.5 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Second Public Financial Management Reform Project (PFMRP II) - Additional Financing:** Addition financing for the PFMRII project Identification completed on 23 April 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. *US\$ 40.0 (ARTF)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Afghanistan Policy and Strategy Design Advisory Facility:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 5.5 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Technical Assistance for the Afghanistan Land Authority - Arazi:** 21. The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to support the Afghan Government to develop the policy and regulatory framework and build capacity to deliver transparent, pro-poor land services.

22. The project aims to support:

a.the establishment of an affordable and accessible land registration system;

b.raising public awareness, knowledge and understanding about laws and regulations governing the land sector;

c.developing processes and service standards for Arazi's core functions;

d.improving the implementation capacity of the Afghan Government to deliver its services;

e.the effective and efficient use of state land for equitable socio-economic development. Concept completed on 26 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P153932. US\$ 18.5 (ARTF). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Transportation

**Additional finance for Afghanistan Rural Access Project:** The project development objective is to enable rural communities to benefit from all-season road access to basic services and facilities. Identification completed on 11 February 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$ 100.0*/100.0 *(IDA Grant/ARTF)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Trans-Hindukush Road Connectivity Project:** The project development objective is to improve road transport connectivity across the Hindukush mountain range. Approval completed on 20 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P145347. US\$ 250.0 (IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**URBAN POLICY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT:** The project will support the Ministry of Urban Development strengthen it's analytic and advocacy skills to be the premier strategic thinker on urban issues on Afghanistan. It will support the Ministry develop an urban observatory, housing policy, advocacy notes on property taxation and reports on the state of urban areas on Afghanistan (Urbanization trends and future prospects; places and economic clusters that deserve priority; and recommended interventions). Identification completed on 26 August 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 5.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Bangladesh

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**National Agricultural Technology Project - Additional Financing:** The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) has proposed to provide a grant to improve agricultural productivity and farm incomes in the country through research into appropriate technology, increased adoption of low risk-high reward technologies in marginalized areas, and fostering farmers' links to markets.

The project will build on the lessons learned and good practices developed in the World Bank financed Bangladesh National Agricultural Technology Project and the Bangladesh Integrated Agricultural Productivity Project. Approval completed on 4

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March 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P133251. US\$ 23.7 (FSCO). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) Tel: 880-2-9540100, E-mail: secretary@moa.gov.bd, Contact: S.M. Nazmul Islam, Secretary in charge.

**Bangladesh NATP-2: National Agricultural Technology Program - Phase II Project:** To increase the agricultural productivity of smallholder farms and improve smallholder farmers' access to markets in selected districts. Approval completed on 5 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149553. US\$ 176.1/7.4/23.9 (IDA Credit/AID/IFAD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock (MOFL) Tel: (880-2) 716 1258, E-mail: fish-livesc@pace-moe.gov.bd; Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) Tel: 880-2-9540100, E-mail: secretary@moa.gov.bd, Contact: S.M. Nazmul Islam, Secretary in charge.

# Education

AF Bangladesh - Primary Education Development Program III: Additional Financing (AF) in the amount of US\$400 million to scale up the Bangladesh Third Primary Education Development Program (PEDP3: P150669). In addition, Level 2 Restructuring comprising: (i) modification of the project scope of work; (ii) revision of the results framework to measure the outcomes associated with the revised scope of work; and (iii) extension of the project closing date from December 31, 2015 to December 31, 2017. The Project Development Objective in the proposed AF operation will remain unchanged and will continue to be to: "(i) increase participation and reduce social disparities in primary education, (ii) increase the number of children completing primary and improve the quality of the learning environment and measurement of student learning, and (iii) improve effectiveness of resource use for primary education." The proposed Additional Financing would help to finance the cost of the scale-up activities and subsequent restructuring of the project to respond effectively to changes in the Bangladesh primary education sector due to ongoing nationalization of the previous "Registered Non-Government Primary Schools" (RNGPS), scale-up and expansion of interventions of the original PEDP3 project in order to implement a further set of reforms by 2017; and join government's efforts towards achieving universal primary education specifically by improving scaled up efforts targeting the remaining, hardest-to-reach population groups to overcome the barriers to education for those still out of school, while also tackling emerging concerns related to the quality of learning (such as low teacher-student contact hours of instruction in schools). The original project is well performing, and the recent Mid-Term Review (MTR) rates the progress towards development objectives and implementation satisfactory. Approval completed on 16 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150669. US\$ 400.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Directorate of Primary Education, Contact: ..

**Secondary Education Quality and Access Enhancement Project - AF:** The Project Development Objective in the proposed AF operation will remain unchanged and will continue to be "to improve the quality of secondary education, systematically monitor learning outcomes, and to increase access and equity in project upazilas". The four project components will be the same as in the original project. The proposed AF would: (i) support the implementation of the expanded project activities (across more schools and students within SEQAEP upazilas) to deepen the impact of a well-performing project; (ii) allow adequate time for MOE to evaluate and institutionalize successful interventions from the ongoing project under a more harmonized secondary education sector program that GOB is planning to initiate by early 2017; and (iii) initiate replication of successful activities beyond 125 SEQAEP upazilas in a phased manner for a smoother institutionalization of SEQAEP interventions. The AF would also extend the Closing Date of the current SEQAEP project from June 30, 2014 to December 31, 2016 in order to carry out the proposed activities. Approval completed on 3 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 265.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Education, E-mail: seqaep@bdcom.net, Contact: Ministry of Education, Project Director, SEQAEP Project.

**(R) College Education Development Project:** The project development objective is to improve the planning and management of college education subsector and to strengthen the quality and relevance of selected government and non-government colleges. *Concept completed on 11 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154577. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). *Consultants will be required.* Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**BD** Higher Education Quality Enhancement Project - AF: The Higher Education Quality Enhancement Project (HEQEP) was approved in March 2009 and the main objective of the project is to improve the quality and relevance of the teaching and research environment in higher education institution through encouraging both innovation and accountability within universities and by enhancing the technical and institutional capacity of the higher education sector. Additional Financing has been proposed to fill the funding gap to effectively complete the agreed project activities; expansion of project

interventions in order to scale up project impact and development effectiveness is warranted based on the likelihood of achieving project objective and strong project performance. The following components/activities have been proposed with additional financing of US\$60.0 million: (i) Component 1: Promoting Academic Innovation; (ii) Component 2: Building Institutional Capacity of Tertiary Education Sector; (iii) Component 3: Raising the Connectivity Capacity in the Higher Education Sector (BdREN & Digital Library); (iv) Component 4: Establishment of Quality Assurance Mechanism; and (v) Component 5: Project Management and Monitoring and Evaluation. Component 1: Promoting Academic Innovation Sub-Component 1.1 - Financing to cover the shortage of funds for the 1st and 2nd rounds AIF. The additional financing will provide funds for the first and second rounds AIF sub-projects which are under implementation. The shortage was created when the Project needed to temporarily reallocate the funds to the BdREN activities under Component 3 during the restructuring. Sub-Component1.2 - Third round of AIF The AIF will allocate its resources through three competitive windows: (i) improvement of teaching and learning; (ii) enhancement of research capabilities; and (iii) university-wide innovations which include campus network In order to place additional emphasis on innovation for teaching and learning (Window 1) and research (Window 2), selection criteria will be modified. Established proposal evaluation process will be followed with minor modifications based on the lessons learned from the first and second rounds AIF which will be reflected in a revised AIF Operations Manual. Component 2: Building Institutional Capacity of Tertiary Education Sector This component aims to further strengthen the capacity of UGC, MOE and Higher Education Institutions for the future development of the sector. To this end, the project will support the policy formation based on the studied carried out under the original project. Component 3: Raising the Connectivity Capacity of the Higher Education Sector Sub-component 3.1: Strengthening BdREN connectivity: Basic connectivity through overhead dark fibre would be established by December 2013. To use the full potential of the connectivity campus network would be established for the remaining 20 public universities. In addition, VC facilities using the BdREN connectivity could be established in the Ministry of Education, ERD, and Planning Commission. Provisions would be made available for add-on software including cloud-computing and equipment for performance enhancement. Sub-component 3.2: Awareness building and knowledge exchange: Awareness raising and knowledge exchanges on best practice for the ownership, governance and exploitation of an NREN for the stakeholders of BdREN. The exchange programs could include: (a) Policy level knowledge exchange among the "South" and "North" countries; (b) academic and technical level knowledge exchange with the neighboring countries in Asia Pacific mainly on grid computing, climate modeling, medical imaging etc. Sub-component 3.3: Capacity building (technical and financial management): Additional staffing and technical training of IT personnel at network and campus level - Local training programs for university IT staff on campus networking in association with international providers to create a national capacity to provide such training. A system of scholarships/fellowship or international placements would be provided for specialist training of IT personnel in campus networking with the aim of building a training team for the country. Subcomponent 3.4: Application development to maximize the utilization of BdREN: Additional support would be necessary for ensuring (a) enhancement of digital library access, (b) partnership with regional and continental RENs, and (c) utilization "pump-priming" activities in (1) education, (2) research collaboration, and (c) campus safety. Component 4: Establishment of Quality Assurance Mechanism To build on the momentum generated under the first two rounds of AIF and the recent efforts made in developing a national quality assurance mechanism, the Project would support the following activities with the proposed additional financing: (i) establishment of Quality Assurance and Accreditation Council of Bangladesh (QAAC); and (ii) establishment of Institutional Quality Assurance Cells (IQAC). Sub-component 4.1: Establishment Quality Assurance and Accreditation Council of Bangladesh The objective of this sub-component is to provide funds for the establishment of Quality Assurance and Accreditation Council of Bangladesh and the development of Regulations, Qualification Framework, and Quality Assurance Manual. Additional funds will be also provided for awareness campaigns and necessary capacity building activities. Sub-component 4.2: Establishment of Institutional Quality Assurance Cells The Fund will finance the establishment and operation of (i) Institutional Quality Assurance Cells (IQACs); (ii) establishment of institutional data collection and analysis mechanism for systematic collecting, processing and dissemination of reliable data concerning higher education quality assurance as well as graduates' performance in the labor market, (iii) preparation of self-assessment, process facilitation and necessary training, external peer reviewers' visits, and preparation and implementation of Institutional Improvement Plan. Details of the implementation mechanism for this Fund will be laid out in the Operations Manual. Component 5: Project Management and Monitoring and Evaluation The objective of this component is to ensure proper implementation, management, and monitoring and evaluation of scaled up activities under the project. It would comprise two sub-components, aiming to reach this objective namely: (i) project management; and (ii) monitoring and evaluation. Approval completed on 3 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145749. US\$ 125.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. University Grants Commission of Bangladesh Tel: (88-02) 818-1631, E-mail: chairmanugc@yahoo.com, Contact: University Grants Commission, Chairman.

Additional Financing: Skills and Training Enhancement Project: The Additional Financing will support the original four components of the Skills and Training Enhancement Project to further contribute towards scaling up ongoing institutional grants to additional public and private institutions to meet the ongoing demand and to fill in the funding gap in the stipend activities. Following are the components under the Additional Financing: Component 1: Improve the Quality and Relevance

of Training This component will be implemented through two (2) windows. Window I will support selected additional private institutions offering diploma level programs. These institutions will be chosen on the basis of well-defined eligibility and selection criteria. Window II will support selected additional institutions providing short-term vocational and technical training. These institutions will be chosen based on similar eligibility and selection criteria employed under Window I. Component 2 -Pilots in Technical and Vocational Education and Training Developing pilot activities aimed at strengthening the overall technical and vocational educational training system: Supporting Industry Skills Councils (ISC) and the National Skills Development Council (NSDC) by providing a grant financing and operational cost support to finance establishment of specific offices to about two to four ISCs and NSDC who will guide the overall regulatory and legislative framework for Vocational Education and Training and skills development. Component 3 - Institutional Capacity Development Strengthening the capacity of the Recipient in managing the TVET sector as a whole by way of institutional capacity development of the Directorate of Technical Education (DTE), the Bangladesh Technical Education Board (BTEB) under the Ministry of Education (MoE), and the Bureau of Manpower Employment and Training (BMET) under the Ministry of Expatriate Welfare and Overseas Employment (MOEWOE). (ning (RPL) program. Component 4 - Project Management, Communications, Monitoring and Evaluation Support for project management, monitoring and evaluation of Project progress and outcomes. Approval completed on 26 September 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 16.7 (FSSA). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Education Tel: (88-02) 911-0664, E-mail: techedu09@gmail.com, Contact: Directorate of Technical Education, Director General.

Additional Financing Skills and Training Enhancement Project: The project development objective is to strengthen selected public and private training institutions to improve training quality and employability of trainees, including those from disadvantaged socioeconomic backgrounds. Negotiations authorized on 10 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155389. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

**RERED II Additional Financing:** The proposed additional financing is to further scale up the solar home systems and other renewable energy-based options for increasing access to electricity in rural areas of Bangladesh. Approval completed on 19 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150001. US\$ 48.4/30.0/15.0 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant/GPBA). Consultants will be required. Power Cell Tel: (880-2) 955-6040, E-mail: dg@powercell.gov.bd, Contact: Mr. Mohammad Hossain, Director General; Infrastructure Development Company Limited Tel: (880-2) 910-2171, E-mail: mmalik@idcol.org, Contact: Mr. Mahmood Malik, Executive Director and CEO.

**(R) Bangladesh Ghorashal Unit 4 Repowering Project:** The proposed development objective of the Project is to increase generation capacity and efficiency of the targeted power plant; *Negotiations authorized on 30 October 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P128012. *US\$ 217.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required.* Bangladesh Power Development Board Tel: 880-2-9556832, E-mail: chairman@bpdb.gov.bd;, Contact: Md. Abduhu Ruhullah, Chairman.

**GPOBA Scale-up for Bangladesh RERED II:** The proposed GPOBA grant in the amount of US\$ 15 million would help finance the costs associated with further scaling up of RERED II project's renewable energy components supporting installations of SHSs, solar powered mini-grids, solar irrigation pumps, and biogas plants. The grant will be implemented by the Infrastructure Development Company Limited (IDCOL), fully owned by the Government. The program is implemented by IDCOL through eligible Partner Organizations (POs) and project sponsors. Approval completed on 13 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 15.0 (GPBA). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R) Siddhirganj Power Project Additional Financing:** Increase supply of electricity to Bangladesh grid network. *Approval completed on 13 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P154127. US\$ 176.7 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Finance

**Modernization of State-Owned Financial Institutions Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 6 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Bangladesh Insurance and Private Pension Market Development Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 17 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 80.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**HSDP** Additional Finance: The proposed additional finance is to cover for financing gap which has emanated from: 1) front loading allocations from year 5 of the project to disburse for the performance based component - disbursement for accelerated achievement of results (DAAR) in the first two years of the program; and 2) a short-fall in the overall sector financing. The proposed additional finance will be for accelerated implementation of the existing interventions as well as introducing new initiatives for the post MDG targets. Identification completed on 28 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

**Emergency 2007 Cyclone Recovery and Restoration Project-- AF II:** The primary rationale for the proposed Additional Financing is for IDA to continue its support to the Government of Bangladesh for improving and strengthening critical disaster prevention infrastructure in the coastal areas of Bangladesh.At the time of Cyclone Sidr, damages were estimated at US\$1.2 billion, with significant needs in the further strengthening of coastal embankments as well as the rehabilitation and construction of improved multi-purpose cyclone shelters. The additional financing would be primarily used to: (a) meet the financing gap of about of about US\$4.2 million that exist since the inception of the project and also a gap created due to exchange rate between SDRs to USD (about USD 6.2 Million are lost at this stage); and (b) to scale up the construction and rehabilitation of critical infrastructure in particular the disaster shelters in the coastal areas. In addition, part of the proposed credit would be used to carry out necessary repairs/improvement to about ten polders. Approval completed on 30 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146500. US\$ 140.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Disaster and Relief Tel: (880-18) 1911-7754, E-mail: cms@dmb.gov.bd, Contact: Syed Ashraful Islam, Communication Media Specialist.

#### Industry and trade

**Private Sector Development Support Project Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 14 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. *US\$ 130.0 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Pro-Poor Slums Integration Project:** The proposed Project Development Objective to pilot a community based approach to improve living conditions in informal settlements in selected municipalities in Bangladesh. This will be achieved by enhancing security of tenure, improving infrastructure, and facilitating access to credit. Concept completed on 22 February 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P130710. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. National Housing Authority Tel: 880-02956-9367, E-mail: member\_ec@nha.gov.bd, Contact: Kamal Uddin Talukder, Project Director.

**Identity Management System Project (IMSP):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 7 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**BD River Management Improvement Program - Phase I:** The objective of the program is to reduce the adverse impacts of flooding and erosion along the Brahmaputra Right Embankment, enhance its sustainable management, and improve transport connectivity of the subregion.

The project-specific (RMIP-I) development objective is to increase protection against river flooding and erosion and improve flood and erosion management capacity along selected sections of the Brahmaputra River. Negotiations authorized on 18 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P149734. US\$ 600.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Bangladesh Water Development Board (BWDB) Tel: 8801712008322, E-mail: pdecrrp.bwdb@gmail.com, Contact: Sarder Sirazul Hoque, Additional Chief Engineer.

# Bhutan

#### Industry and trade

**Agricultural Growth and Nutrition Security Project:** 16.The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to (i) increase agricultural productivity and enhance market linkages and (ii) improve nutritional security in six of the poorest rural dzongkhags in south-west Bhutan. The PDO is to be achieved by raising agricultural yields through improved irrigation and on-farm water management, farm mechanization, adoption of nutrition sensitive agriculture, and improved production technology. Market linkages will be developed and strengthened by improving post-harvest and marketing infrastructure and strengthening value chains, combined with improving market information systems using ICT solutions. Nutrition security will also be enhanced through the school feeding program, improved communication, awareness raising and nutrition education. Technical assistance will be provided to support project management and institutional capacity. Concept completed on 5 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155513. US\$ 8.0 (GAFS). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# India

#### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**(N) Meghalaya Community-led Ecosystem Management Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 29 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$60.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Telangana Rural Inclusive Growth Project:** The PDO would be to enable selected poor households to enhance agricultural incomes and secure increased access to human development services and social entitlements.

The "selected poor households" will include households that are geographically & socially excluded and have low income levels. The incomes for these households will be enhanced by ensuring increased incomes from agriculture and allied sectors through increased productivity and enhanced market access. The "human development services" include services related to health, nutrition and sanitation. The "social entitlements" mainly include social safety nets like the wages from National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, pensions and insurance benefits that are provided by the government. Approval completed on 19 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P143608. US\$ 75.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. ... Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty (SERP) Tel: 91-40-23298469, E-mail: muraliaku@gmail.com, Contact: A. Murali.

**India Ecosystems Service Improvement Project:** To strengthen the institutional capacity of the Department of Forestry and community organizations to enhance forest ecosystem services and improve the livelihoods of forest dependent communities in Central Indian Highlands. Appraisal completed on 28 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P133803. US\$ 24.6 (GEFU). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change Tel: 011-24695242, E-mail: asmefsusheel@gmail.com, Contact: Mr. Susheel Kumar, Additional Secretary and Project Director.

**Tamil Nadu Rural Transformation Project (TNRTP):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 4 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**India: Andhra Pradesh Rural Inclusive Growth Project:** The PDO would be to enable selected poor households to enhance agricultural incomes and secure increased access to human development services and social entitlements.

The "selected poor households" will include households that are geographically & socially excluded and have low income levels. The incomes for these households will be enhanced by ensuring increased incomes from agriculture and allied sectors through increased productivity and enhanced market access. The "human development services" include services related to health, nutrition and sanitation. The "social entitlements" mainly include social safety nets like the wages from National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, pensions and insurance benefits that are provided by the government. Approval completed on 19 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152210. US\$ 75.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty Tel: (91-04) 2329-8469, E-mail: ceo.serp.ap@gmail.com, Contact: B. Rajsekhar, CEO.

**Neeranchal National Watershed Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to support IWMP through technical assistance to improve incremental conservation outcomes and agricultural yields for communities in selected sites, and adoption of more effective processes and technologies into the broader IWMP in participating states. Approval completed on 17 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P132739. US\$ 178.5 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Department of Land Resources Tel: 91-11-23062454, E-mail: sandeep.dave@nic.in, Contact: Dr. Sandeep Dave, Joint Secretary and Project Director.

**Himachal Pradesh Horticulture Development Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to "increase the productivity, profitability and market access of selected horticulture commodities in Himachal Pradesh".

The primary target beneficiaries of the project will be small and marginal horticulture producers in selected production clusters across the state. Concept completed on 31 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151744. US\$ 135.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Department of Horticulture, Himachal Pradesh Tel: 91-177-2623835, E-mail: jagdish91@gmail.com, Contact: Jagdish Sharma, MD- HPMC.

**National Agricultural Higher Education Project:** The project development objective is to increase educational relevance and quality in selected State Agricultural Universities.

Equity, especially gender and caste-based equity, is a cross-cutting theme of the proposed project and would be tracked through the key performance indicators. Concept completed on 17 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151072. US\$ 82.5 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

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**MP Higher Education Quality Improvement Project:** The development objective of the proposed project is to improve student outcomes especially for disadvantaged groups in selected higher education institutions and to increase the effectiveness of the higher education system in Madhya Pradesh. Approval completed on 30 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150394. US\$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Department of Higher Education Madhya Pradesh Tel: 91 755 2441056, E-mail: pshighedu@mp.gov.in, Contact: K. K. Singh, Principal Secretary.

**Uttarakhand Workforce Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 6 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$74.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R)** Nai Manzil - Education and Skills Training for Minorities: The Project Development Objective is to improve completion of secondary education and market-driven skills training for targeted youth from Minority communities *Approval completed on 29 October 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P156363. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Technical Education Quality Improvement Project III:** The proposed Project Development Objective is to improve the performance of technical education institutions, in terms of efficiency, quality and equity. Concept completed on 12 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154523. US\$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Human Resource Development Tel: 91-11-23383202, E-mail: subrahyd@gmail.com, Contact: Amarjeet Sinha, Additional Secretary.

**(N) India Skill and Employability Enhancement Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 5 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$ 268.8 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Energy and mining

**North Eastern Region Power System Improvement Project:** The proposed project development objective is to increase the delivery of electricity at the boundaries of the power distribution network in the participating states in the North Eastern Region. Negotiations authorized on 1 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P127974. US\$470.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Meghalaya Energy Corporation Limited (MeECL) Tel: (91-364) 259-0289, E-mail: cdsaio@rediffmail.com, Contact: C D Saio, Director (Distribution); Electricity Department, Manipur Tel: (91-385) 245-

0050, E-mail: n.dwijen@gmail.com, Contact: N Dwijen Singh, Superintending Engineer; Assam State Electricity Board Tel: (91-361) 273-9520, E-mail: pmu\_aseb@rediffmail.com, Contact: Bikash Paul Tripura State Electricity Corporation Limited (TSECL) Tel: (91-381) 231-8001, E-mail: cmd.tsecl@rediffmail.com, Contact: K. Chakrabarti, Director (Technical); Power and Electricity Department, Mizoram Tel: (91-389) 231-1025, E-mail: el\_pachuau@yahoo.co.uk, Contact: L. Pachuau, Chief Engineer (Distribution).

**Prepare:Program to Establish Pilots for Access through Renewable Energy:** To demonstrate renewable energy based decentralized models of improving energy access in target states of UP & Bihar. Concept completed on 20 May 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P144678. US\$ 14.0/14.0 (GEFU/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy Tel: 011-24360359, E-mail: Tarun.kapoor@nic.in, Contact: Tarun Kapoor, Joint Secretary; UPNEDA Tel: 9415609002, E-mail: dirupneda@gmail.com, Contact: Anamika Singh, Director; BREDA Tel: 0612-2507734, E-mail: breda@breda.in, Contact: Dayanidhi Pradhan, Director.

**24x7 - Power for all in Andhra Pradesh:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$400.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Solar Rooftop PV Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US*\$400.0/0.1 (IBRD/*CCTF*). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Shared Infrastructure for Solar Parks:** The proposed development objective is "to develop solar park internal infrastructure in order to mobilize investment for setting up of utility-scale solar energy generation in the country". Concept completed on 25 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154283. *US\$*200.0/*50.0* (IBRD/*CCTF*). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Transmission for Power Evacuation from Solar Parks:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 5 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$*300.0/*30.0* (IBRD/*CCTF*). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Finance

**Addl. Financing - Scaling Up Sustainable and Responsible Microfinance:** The objective of the project is to scale up access to sustainable microfinance services to the financially excluded, particularly in under-served areas of India, through, among other things, introduction of innovative financial products and fostering transparency and responsible finance. Negotiations authorized on 4 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P155601. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Health and other social services

**Tejaswini: Socioeconomic Empowerment of Adolescent Girls & Young Women:** The project development objective is to improve completion of secondary education and access to market-driven skills training for adolescent girls and young women in select districts of Jharkhand. Concept completed on 28 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150576. US\$ 62.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Uttarakhand Health Systems Development Project:** The PDO is to improve access to quality health services, particularly in the hilly districts of the state, and to expand health financial risk protection for the residents of Uttarakhand. Negotiations authorized on 16 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148531. US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Department of Medical Health and Family Welfare, Government of Uttarakhand Tel: 91-8979002222, E-mail: neeraj.kharwal@gmail.com, Contact: Dr. Neeraj Kharwal, Mission Director- NHM, DoMHFW.

**Nagaland Health Project:** To improve health services and increase their utilization by communities in targeted locations in Nagaland. Negotiations authorized on 22 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149340. US\$ 48.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Nagaland Tel: 91-370-2270565, E-mail: nmhp.wb@gmail.com, Contact: Mr. Imchen Sentiyanger, Commissioner, Nagaland.

#### Industry and trade

Assam Agribusiness and Rural Transformation Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 11 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Madhya Pradesh Rural Enterprise and Economic Empowerment Project:** The overall development objectives of the project are to 'Increase the productivity, profitability and market excess of the rural poor producers by consolidating the gains and capitalize on the current achievements

**Project Outcomes:** 

- Diversified and enhanced source of income of targeted households in selected project locations;
- Upgraded and enriched skills and capabilities for securing jobs;

• Improved localized employment opportunities in selected project locations; Identification completed on 2 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 108.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Information and communications

**National Hydrology Project:** The proposed PDO is to "to strengthen water resources planning and management in selected institutions across India through improved monitoring and enhanced accessibility and use of water resources data and information" Concept completed on 1 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152698. US\$ 370.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation Tel: 23710305, E-mail: secy-mowr@nic.in, Contact: Mr. Anuj Kumar Bishnoi, Secretary.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**(N)** Madhya Pradesh Public Financial Management Strengthening Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 9 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$ 33.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R)** Assam Public Financial Management Strengthening Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 1 September 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$ 35.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R)** Uttar Pradesh Pro-poor Tourism Development Project: The Project Development Objective is to increase tourism-related benefits for local communities in targeted destinations *Negotiations authorized on 12 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146936. US\$ 210.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Department of Tourism Tel: 91-9453444888, E-mail: amritabhijat@gmail.com, Contact: Mr. Amrit Abhijat, Secretary.

**(N) India Cities Program:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 10 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category A.* US\$500.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Himachal Pradesh Public Financial Management Capacity Building Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 4 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$ 36.0 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Madhya Pradesh Urban Development Project:** The development objective of the proposed MPUDP project is to enhance the capacity of the relevant State-level institutions to support ULBs in developing and financing urban infrastructure. Concept completed on 29 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P155303. US\$116.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**IN:Citizen-Centric Service Delivery Reform:** Contribute to improving Efficiency, Accountability, and Access for Targeted Services in Underserved Areas. Concept completed on 15 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P150308. US\$ 48.8 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Government of Assam Tel: 91-0361-2260629, E-mail: rajivbora@yahoo.com, Contact: Mr. Rajiv Bora, Principal Secretary, Government of Assam; Government of Mizoram Tel: 91-3892318305, E-mail: hmachhuana@gmail.com, Contact: Mr. Lalhmachhuana, Secretary, ICT, Government of Mizoram.

**Strengthening Public Financial Management in Rajasthan:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 28 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. *US\$ 28.0 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**IN: Strengthening Governance and Service Delivery in Karnataka Panchayats:** The development objective of the project is to improve the effectiveness, responsiveness and accountability of the rural local governments, in particular, Gram Panchayats in delivering public services prioritized by rural people. During project preparation a more operational PDO will be developed that is amenable to measurement. It is important to note that this development objective is institutional in nature as it focuses on the strengthening of local self-government to deliver relevant services better. This is an important change of emphasis from Phase I where the PDO was focused on "improving the effectiveness of service delivery by Karnataka's Gram panchayat." Concept completed on 30 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150288. *US\$223.0 (IBRD).* Consulting services to be determined. Rural Development & Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Karnataka Tel: 080-22353925, E-mail: chief-gsp-kabn@kar.nic.in, Contact: Yalakki Gowda K, Director, Panchayat Raj.

**IN: CITIZEN ACCESS TO RESPONSIVE SERVICES PROJECT:** The development objective of the project is to improve access to PSGA services by citizens of Madhya Pradesh, and in particular by under-represented groups. Negotiations authorized on 15 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P149182. US\$ 35.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. MP Public Service Management Department.

# Transportation

**Bihar Rural Roads Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$235.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Jhelum and Tawi Flood Recovery Project:** The project development objective is to support the recovery and increase disaster resilience in targeted areas of the Project Implementing Entity, and increase the capacity of the Project Implementing Entity to respond promptly and effectively to an eligible crisis or emergency. Approval completed on 2 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 250.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Efficient & Sustainable City Bus Services:** The project's Global Environment Objective (GEO) is to improve the efficiency and attractiveness of city bus transport and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the demonstration cities. Approval completed on 9 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P132418. US\$ 9.2 (GEFU). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Urban Development Tel: 011-23061558, E-mail: ck.khaitan@nic.in, Contact: C.K. Khaitan, Joint Secretary (Urban Transport).

**UP CORE ROAD NETWORK DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM:** The Project Development Objective is to reduce travel time and improve safety of road users on targeted corridors. Appraisal completed on 2 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P147864. US\$400.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. UP-PWD Tel: 91-522-2621154, E-mail: pspwdup@rediffmail.com, Contact: Mr. Kishan Singh Atoria, Principal Secretary; UP Police Traffic Directorate Tel: 91-522-2050242, E-mail: dirtraffic@nic.in, Contact: Mr. Anil Agrawal, ADG Traffic; Transport Commissioner Tel: 91-522-2613978, E-mail: tc-up@nic.in, Contact: Mr K. Ravinder Naik, Transport Commissioner.

**National Waterways Development Project:** The PDO for the project is to enhance the transport capacity and reliability of National waterway 1 and augment institutional capacity for the development and management of India's inland waterway transport system. Concept completed on 8 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P148775. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor-3: The PDO for EDFC3 is to: (a) provide additional rail transport capacity, improved

service quality and higher freight throughput on the 401 km Ludhiana- Khurja section of the EDFC; and (b) develop the institutional capacity of DFCCIL to build, maintain and manage the DFC infrastructure network. Approval completed on 30 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P150158. US\$650.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. DFCCIL Tel: 23370602, E-mail: ajaykumar@dfcc.co.in, Contact: RK Gupta, Managing Director.

**Madhya Pradesh Rural Connectivity project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$350.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Rajasthan State Highways Dev Program II:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 30 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$350.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Water, sanitation and flood protection

(N) Assam Flood, Erosion and River Management Modernization Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category A*. US\$250.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**IN: BIHAR KOSI BASIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT:** The project development objective is to enhance resilience to floods and increase agricultural production and productivity in the targeted districts in the Kosi River Basin, and to enhance Bihar's capacity to respond promptly and effectively to an eligible crisis or emergency. Negotiations authorized on 7 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P127725. US\$ 250.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Government of Bihar Tel: (91-612) 221-7016, E-mail: amarjeetsinha@hotmail.com, Contact: Dr. Amarjeet Sinha

**IN Karnataka Urban Water Supply Modernization Project:** The Project Development Objective is to provide citywide access to a continuous piped water supply in the project cities of Belagavi, Kalaburagi and Hubballi-Dharwad in the state of Karnataka, and to strengthen service delivery arrangements at the city level. Appraisal completed on 30 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P130544. US\$199.8 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Karnataka Urban Infrastructure Development Corporation (KUIDFC) Tel: 918022232023, E-mail: darpanjain@kuidfc.com, Contact: Mr. Darpan Jain, Managing Director.

**Uttar Pradesh Solid Waste Management Project:** The objective of the project is to improve the management of municipal solid waste in 177 core cities in Uttar Pradesh through innovative technologies and institutional approaches that will comply with the Municipal Solid Waste Management and Handling Rules 2000 (MSWM 2000 Rules) and build capacity for ULBs in achieving sustainable MSWM systems. The project would involve a partnership among the state, ULBs, and private sector. As described above, the private sector outsource arrangements will be flexible, depending on the size and capacity of the core ULB, opportunities to cluster multiple ULBs for economies-of-scale around the core ULB, and its proximity to markets that would purchase MSW recycling and processing by-products. Identification completed on 5 April 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$85.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(N) Programme for Groundwater Development and Management:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 17 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B.* US\$500.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

India: National Cyclone Risk Mitigation Project (I) Additional Financing: The objective is to reduce the vulnerability of coastal communities to cyclone and other hydro

meteorological hazards. Approval completed on 8 April 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P148870. US\$ 104.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Odisha State Disaster Management Authority (OSDMA) Tel: (91-0674) 239-5398, E-mail: mdosdma@osdma.org, Contact: Rajiv Bhawan

# Maldives

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**(N)** Sustainable Fisheries Resources Development Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 27 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category B*. US\$ 9.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Industry and trade

**Entrepreneurship and jobs in Maldives:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 1 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US\$ 9.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Maldives Environmental Management Project Additional Financing:** The main aim of the Project is to provide the Republic of Maldives with the capacity to effectively manage environmental risks and threats to fragile coral reefs as well as marine habitats resulting from tourism development, increased solid waste disposal, fisheries and global climate change. Accordingly, this Project has two development objectives. The first Project Development Objective is that a solid waste management system is established and that inhabitants on targeted islands use solid waste management facilities, reducing the risks of contamination associated with accumulated wastes and sea dumping. The second Project Development Objective is to build human and technical capacity for environmental management so that the environmental dimension is integrated in the planning process using information and expertise developed in the Project. Approval completed on 22 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P153958. US\$ 3.3 (IDA Grant). No consultants are required. Ministry of Environment and Energy Tel: 9603004323, E-mail: memp@environment.gov.mv, Contact: Project Manager, PMU.

# Nepal

#### Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Livestock and Horticulture Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 30 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 80.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Education

**School Sector Reform Program Additional Financing:** The School Sector Reform Program (SSRP) (2009/10-2015/16)program is the flagship school education sector program of the Government of Nepal (GoN), financed jointly by GoN and fourteen Development Partners (DPs), including the World Bank, through a sector wise approach (SWAp). The three main components of the program focus on Basic Education, Secondary Education and Strengthening Institutional Capacity. The program finances both recurrent and development expenditures for school education, focusing on the three pillars of enhancing access, promoting inclusion, and improving quality. SSRP is facing a funding gap of around US\$100 million for the last year of the program. The proposed Additional Financing, which will be part of the SWAp, will help to meet this funding gap. The source of this financing will be the Global Partnership for Education (GPE-formally known as EFA-Fast Track Initiative), which has provided an indicative allocation to Nepal of US\$59.3 million. As per GPE requirements, 70% of the AF (referred to as the fixed component) will be used to finance the regular ongoing activities of SSRP, while the remaining 30% (referred to as the variable component of the grant), will be linked to the achievement of agreed upon specific results in the areas of efficiency, equity and learning outcomes. Identification completed on 10 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 59.3/4.0/172.4 (EFAF/NORA/ZBIL). Consulting services to be determined.

#### Energy and mining

**Business Models for Private Sector-Led Off-Grid Energy Access Project:** The objective of this Project is to support the development of a local market for private-sector led off-grid energy provision using the innovative and renewable energy (RE) based 'Anchor-Business-Community (A-B-C)' business model. Identification completed on 8 January 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 8.0 (CSCF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Nepal: Power Sector Reform and Sustainable Hydropower Development (PSRSHD):** The Project Development Objectives are to: (a) strengthen the capacity of the power sector agencies to plan and prepare hydropower and transmission line projects following international standards and best practices; and (b) improve the readiness of the power sector agencies for regulatory and institutional reforms. Approval completed on 25 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P150066. US\$ 20.0/2.5 (IDA Credit/SAWI). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**UT1 - Upper Trishuli Hydro Project:** The project will develop a partial risk guarantee product to support private sector investment in a 216 MW greenfield run-of-river hydro project for domestic power consumption in Nepal. Concept completed on 26 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P154109. US\$ 80.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Health and other social services

**Strengthening Systems for Social Protection Project:** The project will support strengthening and modernization of administrative systems for delivering social protection benefits and managing vital event registration functions of the Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local Development (MOFALD). It will also supported associated institutional strengthening. Identification completed on 12 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Nepal Health Sector Support: Towards UHC:** Improve the efficiency, effectiveness and accountability of public sector management and public spending in the health sector to reduce inequality in access to health services and increase financial protection. Concept completed on 21 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150801. US\$ 100.0/80.0/340.0 (IDA Credit/DFID/ZBIL). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Health and Population Tel: (977-1) 426-2862.

# Transportation

Additional finance to Road Sector Development Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 7 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 55.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Strategic Roads Development Project:** This operation includes: (i) road maintenance; (ii) road rehabilitation; (iii) bridge maintenance; and (iv) bridge rehabilitation; and (v) technical assistance to road sector institutions for capacity development and strategic project preparation activities. The project will include a focus on a section of Nepal's East-West highway between Pathlaiya and Dhalkebar where there is an acute need to rehabilitate bridges and road sections that have reached the end of their maintainable life. Identification completed on 3 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Pakistan

# Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

Additional Financing for Punjab Irrigated Agriculture Productivity Program Phase-1: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 13 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**PK: Additional Financing & Restructuring for FATA RLCIP:** To improve livelihoods and access to basic service infrastructure in selected Agencies in FATA Identification completed on 26 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 8.6 (PKNF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Pakistan: Potohar Irrigated Agriculture Project:** The project aims to improve climate smart irrigated agriculture in Potohar Region of Punjab province of Pakistan. Identification completed on 28 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**PK Additional Financing for Sindh Water Sector Improvement Phase 1:** To improve Ghotki and Fulili canals. Approval completed on 16 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P131325. US\$ 138.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Sindh Irrigation and Drainage Authority (SIDA) Tel: (92-301) 837-8787, E-mail: zahi-djunejo@hotmail.com, Contact: Junejo Zahid Hussain

**Agriculture Research and Innovation Systems Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 13 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 70.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Education

**(R) Pakistan: Third Punjab Education Sector Project:** The Project Development Objective would be to support the 2018 Education Goals of the Government of the Punjab to increase school participation, completion and student achievement, with a particular focus on low-performing districts. *Concept completed on 18 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154524. US\$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Energy and mining

IDA Partial Credit Guarantee for Dasu Hydropower Phase-I Project: The proposed Project would support the Government of Pakistan's efforts to (a) facilitate the expansion of electricity supply of hydro-power in Pakistan; (b) improve access to socio-economic services for local communities in the project area; and (c) build Water and Power Development Authority's (WAPDA) capacity to develop Pakistan's vast hydropower potential. The project would support: (a) construction of a main structure on the Indus River; (b) construction of two power tunnels, a power house and installation of turbines and generators of 2,160 MW installed capacity to generate over 12,000 GWh of annual clean energy; (c) preparatory work such as access roads, offices etc.; (d) construction of a transmission line for evacuation of power; (e) implementation of social and environmental management plans, monitoring of the river, floods, and sediment; (f) construction supervision, monitoring and evaluation of the Project; and (g) project management support and capacity building of WAPDA. Based on the financing strategy for Dasu HPP, a first IDA credit of US\$576.6 million (SDRs 371.9 million equivalent) is proposed for project start up and an IDA partial Credit Guarantee (PCG) of US\$460 million from IDA16. In addition to the IDA Credit of US\$576.6 million, an IDA Partial Credit Guarantee (PCG) of US\$460 million, approval of which is being sought from the Board, would be used for extending the maturity of commercial loan for the civil works contracts. This PCG would cover Component A (US\$1,479.7 million) and Component B (US\$1,397.8 million). Conditions and covenants for IDA Partial Credit Guarantee for commercial financing would be agreed with WAPDA when the guarantee related agreements are finalized with financiers. Approval completed on 10 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 460.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Pakistan Power Transmission Modernization Phase I Project:** The development objective of the project is to improve the capacity, efficiency and reliability of electricity transmission services in selected parts of Pakistan's transmission system. The project will achieve its objective by financing selected transmission sub-projects at the 400kV and 220kV voltage levels including both transmission lines and substations. Identification completed on 9 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$200.0/225.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Additional Financing to PK: Tarbela 4th Extension Hydropower Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$500.0/250.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Health and other social services

**Pakistan: Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) and Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) Emergency Recovery Project:** The objective is to assist the Government of Pakistan/KP/FATA restore social protection through income transfers and cash for work opportunities to the most affected households and vulnerable groups in the areas affected by military operation against militants and floods. Approval completed on 20 January 2011. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P121394. US\$ 250.0/35.0 (IDA Credit/PKNF). Consulting services to be determined. Provincial Relief Rehabilitation and Settlement Authority (PaRRSA) Tel: (92-91) 921-3855, E-mail: shakeelqadir@pdma.gov.pk, Contact: Shakee Qadir Khan, Director General.

**National Immunization Support Project:** The project development objective is to increase the equitable coverage of services for immunization against vaccine preventable diseases (VPD), including poliomyelitis, for children between 0 and 23 months in Pakistan. Appraisal completed on 12 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P132308. *US\$* 50.0/*94.0/20.0* (IDA Credit/*NISP/RBF*). Consultants will be required. Expanded Prog on Immunization, Min. of National Health Services, Regulation and Coordination Tel: 92-51-9245811, E-mail: secretarynrsd@yahoo.com, Contact: Mr. Muhammad Ayub Shaikh, Secretary.

**CASA 1000 Community Support Program:** The Project Development Objective is to support local development through improved access to social services and infrastructure for communities living in the Corridor of Impact of CASA 1000 Transmission Line, thereby generating local support for the construction and long term operation of CASA 1000 Transmission Line Project. Concept completed on 13 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151075. US\$ 10.0 (CASA). Consultants will be required. National Transmission and Dispatch Company Tel: 92429920229, Contact: Engr Tahir Mahmood, Managing Director.

#### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**(N) Governance and Policy Program for Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP):** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 2 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category C.* US\$ 10.0 (PKNF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(N) Governance and Policy Program for Balochistan:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 2 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category C.* US\$ 6.0 (PKNF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(N)** Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) Governance and Policy Program: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 2 November 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category C.* US\$ 8.0 (PKNF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Punjab Municipal Services Improvement Project-II:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$43.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Transportation

**MDTF KP Emergency Roads Recovery Project:** This Project aims to rehabilitate priority corridors or segments of the main roads in the Swat District of the Province of Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa with a view to improve access and mobility. Approval completed on 21 April 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149311. US\$ 9.0 (PKNF). Consulting services to be determined. Pakhtunkhwa Highways Authority (PkHA) Tel: (92-91) 921-3927, E-mail: pdmdtf@gmail.com, Contact: Mr. Aslam Khan, Project Director.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**PK-Balochistan Integrated Water Resources Management & Development Project:** To improve management of scarce water resources in various river basins of Balochistan in a socially and environmentally sustainable manner. Identification completed on 27 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R)** Water Sector Capacity Building and Advisory Services: The project objective is to improve the management and investment planning of water resources in the Indus River Basin. *Negotiations authorized on 9 November 2015*. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155226. US\$ 35.0 (IDA Credit). *Consultants will be required*. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Disaster and Climate Resilience Enhancement Program:** 16. The project development objective is to strengthen systems for managing disaster risk and to improve resilience of people and economic assets to floods and droughts in Sindh. Concept completed on 29 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P155350. *US\$ 100.0 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Sri Lanka

## Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

**Ecosystems Conservation and Management:** The project development objective (PDO) is to improve the management and stewardship of specific Protected Areas and other selected biologically critical locations in the terrestrial, marine and wetland ecosystems of Sri Lanka. Concept completed on 30 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P156021. US\$ 40.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Sri Lanka Agriculture Sector Modernization Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 14 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. *US\$ 125.0 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Energy and mining

**Sri Lanka Wind Development Program:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 15 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 80.0 (ZMUL). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Health and other social services

**Social Safety Nets Project:** The Project Development Objective is to enhance the poverty impact of Sri Lanka's main safety net programs (Divineguma, the elderly benefit, and the disability benefit), by improving their targeting, coverage and accountability. Concept completed on 6 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P156056. US\$ 75.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Transportation

**Strategic Cities Development Project- Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 7 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 25.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Transport Connectivity and Asset Management Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve connectivity in target corridor(s) through the life cycle approach to asset management. Concept completed on 30 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P132833. *US\$ 125.0 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Irrigation & Water Resources Management Tel: (94-11) 268 4710, E-mail: pddswrpp@sltnet.lk.

#### Water, sanitation and flood protection

**LK: AF Dam Safety WRP - Addl Fin.:** The Government of Sri Lanka has requested Additional Financing (AF) to: (i) cover cost overruns to complete the original project scope as described in the PAD for Po93132; and (ii) scale-up successful project activities and rehabilitate and modernize additional dams, including some dams in the East and North-east of the country that could not be part of the project area under the original project. The main component under the AF will be the original component 1 - Dam Safety and Operational Efficiency Improvement, that may include some rehabilitation works on linked irrigation conveyance systems. Limited activities will be included under the original component 2 - Hydro-meteorological Information System Improvement and Component 3 - Multi-sectoral Water Resources Planning. Component 4 - Project Management and Monitoring and Evaluation will continue under the AF. The AF complies with the relevant provisions of OP/13.20 which stipulates that the Bank provides AF when it is satisfied that: (i) implementation of the project, including substantial compliance with legal covenants, is satisfactory; and (ii) the additional financing is economically justified. Approval completed on 5 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148595. US\$ 83.0 (IDA Credit). No consultants are required.

Ministry of Irrigation and Water Resources Management Tel: (94-11) 267-5315, E-mail: pddswrpp@sltnet.lk, Contact: Chandanie Wijayawardene, Director General.

**Climate Resilience Improvement Project Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 1 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 35.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**North East Local Services Improvement Project - Additional Financing:** The primary development objective of the project is to improve the delivery of local infrastructure services by local authorities in the Northern and Eastern Provinces of Sri Lanka in an accountable and responsive manner. Approval completed on 26 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152623. US\$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). No consultants are required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Regional

## Transportation

**Bangladesh Regional Connectivity Project 1:** Component 1: Investments in infrastructure, systems and procedures to modernize key selected land ports essential for trade with India and Bhutan (US\$65 million). Two greenfield land ports will be developed and at least two existing land ports will be improved/modernized. Component 2: Customs Modernization and Single Window Development (US\$30 million).

Component 3: Institutional Development to enhance cross-sector collaboration for border management, trade and transport facilitation (US\$7 million). Fund technical assistance, secretariat and project management support to establish and operate a National Trade and Transport Facilitation Committee, a Border Management (Sub)-Committee, and a National Single Window (Sub)-Committee, and to fund the two Project Management Units in Ministry of Shipping and Ministry of Commerce, and the project management cells in the implementation agencies.

Component 4: Studies for Connecting Roads/Last Mile Links to Key Land Ports (US\$10 million). Many of the existing and greenfield land ports have missing or poor quality connecting roads. This component will prepare feasibility and design studies as well as bidding documents to address these missing links. Studies will include detailed feasibility, design and bidding documents for the connecting roads to The gamukh Land Port, Hili Land Port, and Ramgarh Land Port among others. Identification completed on 3 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 120.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined.

**Dhaka-Chittagong-Ashuganj Regional IWT Corridor Project:** a.Dredging of inland waterways between Dhaka-Chittagong to facilitate cargo and passenger transport

b.Provision of key vessels for passenger and cargo transport, navigation, surveying and safety

c.Navigational aides to facilitate transport and improve navigation safety

d.Studies on River Ports Improvement and Incentivizing Private Sector Investment

e.Technical Assistance and Studies to Improve the Operational Efficiency of Bangladesh Railways including addressing organizational and operational deficiencies and preparation activities for the development of the Dhirisram ICD.

f.Development of City of Chittagong Master Plan to relieve congestion in the City of Chittagong and especially to facilitate free-flowing traffic to and from the Port of Chittagong, Bangladesh's main port. Identification completed on 2 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Bangladesh Weather and Climate Services Regional Project:** The main objective of the proposed project is to strengthen the capacity of the Government of Bangladesh to deliver weather and climate information in priority sectors and to prepare for climate variability and hydro-meteorological disasters. Concept completed on 18 February 2015. Environmental

Assessment Category B. Project: P150220. *US\$ 89.3 (IDA Credit)*. Consulting services to be determined. Bangladesh Meteorology Department (BMD) Tel: 88-02-9135742, E-mail: shamsbmd@yahoo.com, Contact: Shamsuddin Ahmed, Deputy Director.

# **Guarantee Operations**

# Africa

# Angola

Public Administration, Law, and Justice

**Angola Fiscal Management Development Policy Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 30 June 2015. US\$ 200.0 (GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Cameroon

## Energy and mining

Hydropower Dev. on the Sanaga River Proj: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 8 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 300.0/150.0/280.0 (GUAR/ZBIL/ZMUL). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Cote d'Ivoire

## Energy and mining

**Côte d'Ivoire: Support for the LNG Import Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 400.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Ghana

### Energy and mining

**Ghana IPP Guarantee Program:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 26 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 300.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

#### Energy and mining

**(R) Ghana Sankofa Gas Project:** Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 30 July 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category A*. Project: P152670. US\$ 200.0/500.0 (GUAR/GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

### Public Administration, Law, and Justice

Ghana Macroeconomic Stability for Competitiveness & Growth Credit: Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 30 June 2015. Project: P155550. US\$ 400.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Kenya

Energy and mining

**KE Electricity Modernization Project:** The purpose of the Partial Credit Guarantee (PCG) is to serve as a credit enhancement tool to improve the risk profile of KPLC for commercial lenders and support KPLC obtain commercial loans for longer tenors at competitive interest rates. The PCG is currently envisioned to take the form of debt service payment support, first loss guarantee and/or principal repayment guarantee for the extended period of the tenor. Approval completed on 31 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 200.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Mali

## Energy and mining

**Banda Gas to Power Guarantee:** The Gas To Power Project will use natural gas discovered offshore of Mauritania for a power station to be built near Nouakchott. The power will be sold to SOMELEC in Mauritania, SENELEC in Senegal and EDM in Mali using the existing OMVS regional grid. A PRG is required to guarantee gas payments to the producer Tullow Oil estimated at \$104m. Government of Mali needs to provide a counter-guarantee to cover the proportion of the energy that will be exported to EDM estimated at \$17m (equivalent to IDA allocation of \$4.25m given 1:4 leverage for IDA PRGs). Approval completed on 29 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P145664. US\$ 32.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined.

# Energy and mining

**Mali Renewable Energy Power Guarantee:** PRG operation in support of the development of the Kenie Hydropower Project in Mali Identification completed on 21 October 2013. US\$ 30.0/70.0 (GUID/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Mauritania

# Energy and mining

**MR-Banda Gas to Power Guarantee:** The gas to power project will use natural gas discovered offshore for a power station to be built near Nouackchott. The power will be sold to SOMELEC in Mauritania, Senelec in Senegal and EDM in Mali using the existing OMVS regional grid Approval completed on 29 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P107940. US\$ 130.0 (GUID). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Energy Tel: (222-46) 431-537, E-mail: kane@acces.mr, kane@hydraulique.gov.mr, Contact: Mamadou Amadou Kane, Directeur General de l'Electricite.

# Nigeria

# Energy and mining

**Nigeria Electricity and Gas Improvement Project Additional Financing:** Additional financing to the Nigeria Electricity and gas improvement project to cover additional PRGs for Gas supply to government owned power plants, in particular the Sapele, Olorunsogo and Alaoji plants held by the NIGER DELTA POWER HOLDING COMPANY. The NDPHC is scheduled to commission power generation units in three of the NIPP plants at Sapele, Olorunsogo and Alaoji. The units to be commissioned will have a combined initial generation capacity of 575 MW. The 3 plants will have a final generation capacity of 1,974 MW upon completion. These plants urgently require executed Gas Sales Supply Agreements (GSAs) with prospective gas suppliers and IOCs who have emphasized the need for a payment guarantees to enter into long term supply agreements for the fuel deliveries. In accordance with World Bank PRG guidelines, the Federal Ministry of Finance on behalf of the Federal Government of Nigeria is required to nominate parties with whom the World Bank Gan enter into negotiations on PRGs. Therefore, I am writing to request that the World Bank extends the coverage of NEGIP to include NDPHC's NIPP plants and to nominate the NDPHC as a party with whom the World Bank can enter into formal negotiations on the potential provision of PRGs for the individual projects. Approval completed on 19 June 2012. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P126190. US\$ 200.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Power Holding Company of Nigeria Tel: (234-9) 413-6684, E-mail: maganiyu@nepapmu.org, Contact: Mansuru A. Ganiyu, Project Manager.

## Energy and mining

**Nigeria Power Sector Guarantees Project II:** Objective to be Determined. Concept completed on 10 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P155000. US\$ 100.0/305.0 (CIF/GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Energy and mining

Nigeria Power Sector Guarantees Project: Nigerian National Petroleum Corp. & Total Elf Petroleum Nigeria Ltd. Joint Venture -Independent Power Project at Obite - OML 58 Overall Project: 1. Capacity: 340 - 440 MW Combined Cycle Gas Turbines (CCGT). 2. Location: OML 58 (operated by the NNPC and TEPNG JV). 3. Fuel: Direct Gas supply from OML 58. 4. Grid export: 330 KV HV transmission line to Onitsha - to be built by PHCN. 5. Power Sale: 20 years PPA with PHCN. 6. Fiscal: AGFA Regime 7. Financing: NNPC/TEPNG/Banks 8. Securitization: Under discussion with the World Bank for a possible PRG to cover the payment risk of PHCN. Status of the IPP (as of July 2009): 1. Land has been acquired and secured at OML58 for the Independent Power Plant (IPP) and domestic gas upgrade projects. The on-site gas will be supplied to the IPP to generate electricity. 2. Construction work on OML58 gas upgrade project has already been started. 3. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the IPP project has been approved by the Federal Ministry of Environment.. 4. Commercial tendering for the Engineering, Procurement & Construction (EPC) contract is underway. 5. High Voltage (HV) transmission line project has been handed over to Power Holding Company of Nigeria (PHCN) in February 2009 (as per directives of the Government). 6. Agreement with PHCN on changes to the original development agreement are awaited. 7. Nigerian National Petroleum Corp & Total Elf Petroleum Nigeria Ltd. Joint Venture (NNPC/TEPNL JV) is awaiting PHCN to start work on the HV Line project (with information on investment decision; completion dates; etc) to enable it to reach financial close on the IPP. Development of IPP - next steps to the Final Investment Decision: 1. The development phase of the IPP is targeting Final Investment Decision (FID) date of Feb 2010. 2. EPC commercial offers have are being received in early September 2009. 3. Confirmation of the fiscal regime is needed from Federal Ministry of Finance 4. Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) tariff negotiations with NNPC and PHCN will start end of September 2009. NERC's approval of the tariff will be sought once the tariff has been negotiated. 5. Confirmation from PHCN of the FID and completion dates of the HV line are needed to set the respective dates for FID and completion date of the IPP. 6. IPP Partial Risk Guarantee (PRG) is expected to be secured by February 2010. 7. External financing is expected to be confirmed by February 2010. 8. Final investment decision (FID) by NNPC/TEPNG JV is expected by February 2010 - investment decision for the HV line must occur at the same time. Securitization Agreement: 1. A Partial Risk Guarantee (PRG) is proposed to secure the PPA payments from PHCN - to ensure IPP project bankability. 2. MIGA Guarantee to be considered to compensate in the event of early termination. Timeline for IPP: 1. Pre-Development phase: Interim Letter Agreement was signed on 26th January, 2007. 2. Development phase: A number of activities were conducted till July 2009, as follows: a. EPC request for offers. b. EPC Prices. c. EPC Award. d. HV Line transfer. e. PPA Tariff Negotiations. f. Discussions on Securization. g. Discussions with Banks. 3. FID Date of February 2010: Following milestones are expected to be achieved, subject to the achievement of financial close on the HV transmission line by PHCN: a. Signature PPA. b. Securization. c. Financing, 4. Construction phase: Construction activities are expected from March 2010 to December 2011. 5. Commissioning phase: Following timeline is expected, subject to the availability of HV line: a.First Gas Turbine Synchronization by December 2011. b. Second Gas Turbine Synchronization by February 2012. c. Commercial Operation Date (COD) by October 2012. 6. Signed PPA to be in force for 20 years beyond COD. Approval completed on 1 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P120207. US\$ 150.0/395.0 (GUAM/GUAR). Consultants will be required. Nigeria Bulk Electricity Trading Company Ltd Tel: (234-803) 685-6383, E-mail: rumundaka.wonodi@nbet.com.ng, Contact: Rumundaka Wonodi, Managing Director / CEO.

# Senegal

## Energy and mining

**Senegal Taiba Ndiaye Independent Power Producer Project:** The project development objective is to increase electricity generation at a lower marginal cost through Independent Power Producer investments in Senegal. The immediate Project beneficiaries are current and prospective commercial and household electricity consumers --including the poor, women and girls, who face unreliable service due to supply limitations, high cost, and access constraints. Additional power generated by the project will help increase productivity and spur economic growth among these beneficiaries. The GoS is also a key beneficiary since the proposed IPP will save Senegal tens of millions of dollars in annual fuel costs alone by displacing the emergency diesel projects. The proposed IPPs would also reduce the need for more public resources for investment in power generation, enabling more funds to be deployed for poverty alleviation and other social needs. Approval completed on 19 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P143605. US\$ 40.0/92.0/28.0 (GUID/ZMUL/ZPCI). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Energy and mining

**SN -Solar Energy Development thru IPPs:** In the spirit of 'Scaling up Solar' initiative developed by IFC, the Project will support Solar Energy Development in Senegal through IPPs selected competitively and transparently on the basis of the lowest price per kWh. In order to attract interest from major international developers, minimize transaction costs and uncertainties with regard to contract negotiations and finance mobilization, the bidding package will include draft legal agreements (PPAs, and concession agreements) as well as a financing package (term sheet of loans, risk mitigation instruments including proposed Bank guarantee...). Identification completed on 8 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 20.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Energy and mining

**Senegal Banda Gas to Power Guarantee:** This PRG is linked to the Mauritania Gas to Power PRG, which is under preparation. The overall value of the PRG is estimated at \$104m for Mauritania, Senegal and Mali, of which the Senegal part would be approximately \$51m, to cover the share of gas payments to Tullow Oil corresponding to energy exports to Senelec. Approval completed on 29 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P145657. US\$ 99.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Sierra Leone

## Energy and mining

**SL: Western Area Power Generation Project:** In May 2014 the Government of Sierra Leone requested IDA for a guarantee for the proposed Western Area Power Generation Project (WAPGP) to be developed as an independent power producer selling to electricity the Electricity Distribution and Supply Authority (EDSA).

WAPGP is part of the Government's plan for private sector participation in the generation subsector to meet electricity demand. The Project is proposed as a 128 MW Heavy Fuel Oil (HFO) fired power plant to be located on an existing industrial site about 4 km outside Freetown. The Project is to be constructed in phases over three to four years, of which the first phase is 50MW. Identification completed on 12 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 40.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Tanzania

## Energy and mining

**Tanzania Singida Wind Power Project:** The Government of Tanzania (GOT) intends to develop the 100MW Singida Wind Project in Northern Tanzania in form of a Public Private Partnership. The current lead investor of this Project is a consortium of private local firms and Aldwych International PLC, of the UK ("Wind EA"). Wind EA intends to conclude a 25 year Power Purchase Agreement with the state owned utility TANESCO. The Project encompasses the construction and operation of a 100MW Windpark east of the town of Singida. Financing of this power generation project is expected to be through private sponsors' equity contributions (about 20% of Project costs) and commercial/multilateral debt facilities. GOT has requested the World Ban (IDA) to support the financing of the project with a Partial Risk Guarantee (PRG) that would cover commercial lenders to the project. The IDA has offered already the financing of a Transaction Adviser to TANESCO under an existing IDA project and it is expected that TANESCO will select and contract an adviser in the coming months, before TANESCO and the GOT start negotiating major Project Agreements for this project. This project is currently expected to be structured and prepared in 2011/2012 and could reach financial close in Bank FY 2013. If built, this project would be the first major Wind generation facility in Tanzania and one of the largest facilities in East Africa. Concept completed on 7 July 2011. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P126432. US\$ 100.0/200.0 (GUID/ZPCI). Consultants will be required. Wind EA, Contact: Mark Gammons

## Energy and mining

**TZ Guarantees for Power Sector Gas Supply Expansion:** The proposed operation consists of providing credit enhancement mechanisms to address the low credit worthiness of the natural gas production and supply, and power sectors in Tanzania. The proposed operation will enabling the development and expansion of natural gas fields by private developers in several locations, and independent

power generation activities. The proposed instrument will be a series of Partial Risks Guarantees (PRGs) back-stopping liquidity payments under Gas Supply Agreements (GSA) and Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) entered between private sector developers and the Tanzania Petroleum Development Corporation (TPDC) and/or Tanzania Electric Supply Company Limited (TANESCO). Identification completed on 25 October 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 200.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Finance Tel: (255-22) 211-9190, E-mail: sblikwelile@yahoo.com, Contact: Dr. Servacius B. Likwelile, Executive Director.

# Uganda

## Energy and mining

**IDA Guarantee for Renewable Energy Development Program:** The project will provide for amongst others counterpart risk guarantee to cover the payment risk from Uganda Electricity Transmission Company Approval completed on 18 March 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P133318. US\$ 160.0 (GUID). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development Tel: (256-41) 434-9342, E-mail: info@energy.go.ug, Contact: Hon. Irene Muloni, Minister.

# Regional

## Energy and mining

**AFCC2/RI-3A-Ruzizi Hydropower Partial Risk Guarantee:** The Ruzizi III hydropower project, 147MW is sponsored by the Energy Commission of the Great Lakes Countries (DRC, Rwanda and Burundi),in short "EGL", and includes the construction of the dam, tunnel, power station and the transmission line to a switchyard. The project will be developed in the form of a public-private partnership supported by donors including the World Bank, AfDB, and DBSA. The World Bank would provide a Partial Risk Guarantee to support private sector investors to develop the Ruzizi hydropower project. Identification completed on 15 October 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US\$ 60.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# East Asia And Pacific

# Philippines

## Energy and mining

**Philippines Renewable Energy Development:** The Philippines Renewable Energy Development (PHED) Project is being prepared as an IBRD partial credit guarantee that will be financed by the Clean Technology Fund. With funding from the CTF, a sovereign guarantee from the Government of the Philippines will not be required. The \$44-million from the CTF will be used as call-able cash by a Government program, the Electric Cooperative Partial Credit Guarantee (ECPCG) facility; because it has the status of cash, it may be leveraged many times. ECPCG is an existing, successful program that supports commercial bank lending to electric cooperatives. PHRED will expand the program and extend eligibility for ECPCG support to renewable energy investments in which there is some form of electric cooperative participation, including as a buyer of the output. It is anticipated that PHRED will enable ECPCG to leverage \$500-million in additional private investment in the EC sector over the first five years of CTF guarantee coverage.

The Guarantee instrument used in the Philippines Renewable Energy Development Project is a CTF Guarantee, which, while not directly backing credit risks of loans, indirectly supports partial credit guarantees through the Electric Cooperative Partial Credit Guarantee Program. Therefore, for the purpose of SAP, it is coded as Partial Credit out of the available options of Partial Risk, Partial Credit, or Policy-Based Guarantees. Concept completed on 23 April 2012. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P147646. US\$ 44.0 (CCTF). Consultants will be required. LGU Guarantee Corporation Tel: (63-2) 751-8764, E-mail: dengorial@lgugc.com, Contact: Lydia Orial, President and CEO.

# Solomon Islands

Energy and mining

**Tina River Hydropower Development Project:** The proposed project would consist of a 15 MW hydropower plant located on the Tina River, east of Honiara comprising: (i) a 50m-high roller-compacted-concrete (RCC) dam located in a narrow gorge on the Tina river; (ii) a 3.3km headrace tunnel, 3 m in diameter, to convey water from the dam to the power station; (iii) a powerhouse about 3-4 km downstream from the dam site that will house 3x5 MW Francis turbine machines; (iv) 2 parallel (on separate towers) 33kV single circuit transmission lines connecting the power station to the existing Lungga diesel power station; and (v) access roads; and other ancillary facilities. Financing requirements are currently estimated at around US\$120 million. The feasibility studies were substantially completed in March 2014 and include confirmation of a viable site, preparation of preliminary designs for the project and a full safe-guards scoping assessment. The project, except the access roads will be implemented by a company to be set up by a private developer to be selected, on a build-own-operate-transfer basis under a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with the state-owned SIEA, which will be guaranteed by the SIG. Concept completed on 17 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P152779. US\$ 2.0/2.0/20.0/100.0 (IDA Credit/GAUL/GUID/ZPCO). Consultants will be required. Consultants will be required for various preparatory studies (environmental and social impact assessment, market and pricing, geological, feasibility) and for dam safety advisory and environmental and social panel of experts. Ministry of Mines, Energy and Rural Electrification Tel: (677) 28-609/25-937, E-mail: ps@mines.gov.sb, Contact: Rene Sore, Permanent Secretary.

# Europe And Central Asia

# Albania

## Public Administration, Law, and Justice

ALBANIA PUBLIC FINANCE POLICY BASED GUARANTEE: Objective to be Determined. Approval completed on 27 March 2015. US\$ 226.7 (GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Finance Tel: (355) 69 207-4196, E-mail: eluci@min-fin.gov.al.

# Armenia

## Energy and mining

**Private Gas to Power Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 12 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 45.0/194.0 (GUAR/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Croatia

## Finance

**Croatia Export Financing Guarantee Operation:** The main project development objective is to support HBOR's move towards market-based funding, through a Partial Credit Guarantee (PCG). Secondary objective include supporting investment projects in Croatia by providing medium and long-term funding. The design of the instrument underlying the proposed IBRD guarantee is driven by the HBOR's debt management objectives and the expected on-lending operations that will be catalyzed. The structure should allow the borrower to secure the much-needed financing at reasonable costs, while also minimizing transaction risk in a climate of volatility. In addition, the volume targeted should be matched against HBOR's ability to deliver on-lending quickly and efficiently, in order to minimize any potential negative carry costs, associated with disbursing the funding early and earning marginal returns while eligible project lending is organized. Approval completed on 27 June 2013. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P133471. US\$ 256.4 (GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Croatian Bank for Reconstruction and Development Tel: (385-1) 459-1586, E-mail: bberkovic@hbor.hr, Contact: B. Berkovic

# Kosovo

## Energy and mining

Kosovo Power Project: IDA partial risk guarantee in support of a private sector independent power producer and lignite mining

company, to be selected under the Lignite Power TA Project (P097635). Concept completed on 4 August 2011. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P118287. US\$ 40.0/725.0/725.0 (GUID/ZBIL/ZEXP). No consultants are required. Ministry of Economic Development Tel: (381-38) 2002-1505, E-mail: agron.dida@ks-gov.net, Contact: Mr. Besim Beqaj, Minister.

# Moldova

## Energy and mining

Moldova District Heating Efficiency Improvement Partial Credit Guarantee: The objective of the proposed project is to improve the operational efficiency and commercial viability of the district heating (DH) services in Chisinau. This component is Component 2: Debt restructuring and financing of debt repayment (IDA Partial Credit Guarantee: US \$ 40 million, IDA allocation: US\$ 10 million). This component will support the Government in preparing a debt restructuring plan and provide a guarantee for credit enhancement on Moldova Sovereign or new integrated company borrowing. Such credit enhancement would be essential to raising commercial financing on terms that would allow repayment of the debt stock on a sustainable, long-term basis to limit the financial burden of the restructuring on Chisinau residents and Moldova. For a new entity such as the integrated company, a structured Partial Credit Guarantee (PCG) from the Bank would also help it start establishing credit on the loan and capital markets. Using an IDA PCG is expected to leverage Moldova's IDA capital envelope. The partial nature of the PCG provides for risk sharing with the market while offering comprehensive risk cover for a specified component of the financing. Depending on market conditions, a PCG cover of 30-50% of debt service cash flows (principal + interest) may be sufficient to considerably improve the available financing terms. This means that a \$10 million tranche of IDA country allocation used as a \$40m Bank PCG could help raise \$80-120 million of financing from commercial sources. Currently, Partial Credit Guarantees (PCGs) are only available for IBRD countries. OPCS, in consultation with CFP/SDN and other corporate and regional units is developing a revised policy package which will introduce the PCGs in IDA countries. Such proposals have been discussed at CODE and have received positive response from all stakeholders. It is expected that the revised Guarantee policy paper and associated OP/BPs for the use of IBRD and IDA Guarantees would be presented to CODE in December 2012, and to the Board in Q3FY13. It should be noted that only 25% of guarantee exposure would be counted against the country exposure limit - such leverage for IDA guarantees was approved in 2004. Therefore, for the proposed IDA PCG operation of \$40 million, only \$10 million would be counted against the country limit. Concept completed on 1 February 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P143870. US\$ 80.0/138.0 (GUAR/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Economy Tel: (373-22) 250-554, E-mail: vadim.ceban@mec.gov.md.

# Ukraine

#### Energy and mining

**(R)** Ukraine Gas Supply Security Facility: Objective to be Determined. *Concept completed on 21 October 2015*. Project: P155111. US\$ 500.0 (GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Middle East And North Africa

## Jordan

## Water, sanitation and flood protection

**Red Sea-Dead Sea Phase 1:** - Identification completed on 6 November 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 100.0 (GUAR). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Lebanon

Energy and mining

**Partial Risk Guarantee: Floating Storage & Regasification Unit Project:** The proposed operation consists of providing a credit enhancement mechanism to address the low credit worthiness of the power sector, to support the development of a floating regasification and storage unit (FRSU) to enable the import of LNG into Lebanon. The proposed instrument will be a Partial Risks Guarantee (PRG) back-stopping liquidity payments under a Terminal Use Agreement (TUA) entered between GoL and the FSRU project developer/owner/operator. Identification completed on 8 July 2013. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 60.0 (GUAR). Consulting services to be determined.

# South Asia

# Afghanistan

## Energy and mining

**(N)** Mazar-e-Sharif Gas-to-Power Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 28 October 2015. *Environmental Assessment Category A*. US\$ 25.0/45.0 (GUID/ZPCI). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

## Nepal

## Energy and mining

**UT1 - Upper Trishuli Hydro Project:** The project will develop a partial risk guarantee product to support private sector investment in a 216 MW greenfield run-of-river hydro project for domestic power consumption in Nepal. Concept completed on 26 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P154109. US\$ 80.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

# Pakistan

#### Energy and mining

**IDA Partial Credit Guarantee for Dasu Hydropower Phase-I Project:** The proposed Project would support the Government of Pakistan's efforts to (a) facilitate the expansion of electricity supply of hydro-power in Pakistan; (b) improve access to socio-economic services for local communities in the project area; and (c) build Water and Power Development Authority's (WAPDA) capacity to develop Pakistan's vast hydropower potential. The project would support: (a) construction of a main structure on the Indus River; (b) construction of two power tunnels, a power house and installation of turbines and generators of 2,160 MW installed capacity to generate over 12,000 GWh of annual clean energy; (c) preparatory work such as access roads, offices etc. ; (d) construction of a transmission line for evacuation of power; (e) implementation of social and environmental management plans, monitoring of the river, floods, and sediment; (f) construction supervision, monitoring and evaluation of the Project; and (g) project management support and capacity building of WAPDA. Based on the financing strategy for Dasu HPP, a first IDA credit of US\$576.6 million (SDRs 371.9 million equivalent) is proposed for project start up and an IDA partial Credit Guarantee (PCG) of US\$460 million, approval of which is being sought from the Board, would be used for extending the maturity of commercial loan for the civil works contracts. This PCG would cover Component A (US\$1,479.7 million) and Component B (US\$1,397.8 million). Conditions and covenants for IDA Partial Credit Guarantee for commercial financing would be agreed with WAPDA when the guarantee related agreements are finalized with financiers. Approval completed on 10 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US\$ 460.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined.

# **Board Annex: Listing of DPFs & PforRs**

As Development Policy Finance (DPF) and Program-for-Results operations do not offer procurement opportunities for firms, they will not be included in the MOS report available externally. In response to questions during the COGAM discussion, Management has clarified that the internal version of the MOS that is sent to EDs will continue to include the data on DPF and PforRs as listed in this Board Annex.

Region Name	Country Name	Project Definition	Project Description	DecMeeting	Total Amount
AFR	Sierra Leone	P121056	GRGC-3 Supplemental Credit	05/13/2010	7.00
ECA	Tajikistan	P126272	Tajikistan DPF-1		30.00
ECA	Tajikistan	P126273	Tajikistan DPO-2		20.00
ECA	Serbia	P127408	First Programmatic State Owned Enterprises Reform DPL	12/19/2013	100.00
AFR	Africa	P129282	Regional Trade Facilitation and Competitive- ness DPO	04/21/2015	100.00
EAP	Indonesia	P130048	Program for Economic Resilience, Investment and Social Assistance in Indonesia	03/13/2012	2,000.00
AFR	Zambia	P130942	Zambia Macro-Fiscal & Energy DPO		50.00
AFR	Rwanda	P131666	Rwanda Second Support to Social Protection System	01/28/2013	50.00
AFR	Ghana	P133664	Macroeconomic Stability for Competitiveness and Growth Credit	04/29/2015	150.00
AFR	Tanzania	P133798	Open Government and Public Financial Management	09/22/2014	100.00
ECA	Poland	P146243	Resiliance and Growth Development Policy Loan	03/11/2014	966.00
AFR	Africa	P146512	APEI Regional DPO (RI)	04/02/2014	30.00
AFR	Liberia	P146619	Poverty Reduction Support Credit II	10/03/2014	20.00
LAC	Brazil	P146981	Piaui Productive and Social Inclusion DPL	10/19/2015	200.00
AFR	Cabo Verde	P147015	Cape Verde Ninth Poverty Reduction Support Credit	01/28/2015	10.00
LAC	Brazil	P147127	BR MST Recife Municipal DPL		220.00
LAC	Haiti	P147166	HRF Grant for Strengthening Governance in Education and Water Sectors	06/05/2014	17.58
AFR	Nigeria	P147398	Nigeria Second Agriculture Sector Development Policy Operation		100.00
EAP	Lao People's Democratic Republic	P147564	Lao PDR Tenth Poverty Reduction Support Operation		20.00
LAC	Brazil	P147695	Enhancing Public Management for Service De- livery in Rio de Janeiro	10/16/2013	500.00
SAS	Bhutan	P147806	BT: 2nd DPC Series	11/26/2014	20.00

ECA	Kyrgyz Re- public	P148099	Governance and Competitiveness Program- matic DPO		24.00
LAC	Brazil	P148145	BR Sergipe DPL II	03/24/2014	150.00
ECA	Romania	P148957	First Fiscal Effectiveness and Growth Develop- ment Policy Loan	03/28/2014	1,034.80
ECA	Moldova	P149555	Second Development Policy Operation		45.00
MNA	Morocco	P149747	Morocco Inclusive Green Growth DPL2	10/06/2015	300.00
ECA	Serbia	P149750	Second Programmatic State Owned Enterprises Reform DPL		100.00
ECA	Bosnia and Herzegovina	P149768	Bosnia and Herzegovina: Management of Fiscal Resources for Growth		50.00
ECA	Romania	P149776	2nd Fiscal Effectiveness and Growth DPL		850.00
ECA	Poland	P149781	Poland Growth and Resilience DPL2	05/26/2015	1,000.00
ECA	Macedonia, former Yugo- slav Republic of	P149794	Macedonia Fiscal and PFM DPL		70.00
ECA	Turkey	P149797	Sustaining Shared Growth DPL 2		800.00
ECA	Macedonia, former Yugo- slav Republic of	P149804	Competitiveness DPL		67.53
ECA	Georgia	P149991	First Programmatic Inclusive Growth Develop- ment Policy Operation	02/19/2015	60.00
ECA	Georgia	P149998	Private Sector Competitiveness DPO1	12/18/2014	50.00
AFR	Tanzania	P150009	Tanzania Business Environment and Competi- tiveness for Jobs DPO	04/10/2015	80.00
LAC	Colombia	P150475	Programmatic Development Policy Loan for Sustainable Development	07/27/2015	700.00
AFR	Tanzania	P151136	Tanzania Third Power and Gas Sector DPO		100.00
AFR	Rwanda	P151279	Social Protection System Support	11/17/2014	70.00
AFR	Mozambique	P151407	MZ Third Agriculture Development Policy Oper- ation AgDPO-3		25.00
AFR	Mali	P151409	ML- Second Recovery & Governance Reform Support Credit (RGRSC-2)	09/28/2015	50.00
AFR	Nigeria	P151480	Nigeria Edo State Fiscal Improvement and Ser- vice Delivery Operation	01/16/2015	75.00
AFR	Niger	P151487	First Public Investment Reform Sppt Cr.	03/30/2015	80.00
AFR	Liberia	P151502	Poverty Reduction Support Credit III		10.00
LAC	Panama	P151804	FIRST PROGRAMMATIC SHARED PROS- PERITY DEVELOPMENT POLICY LOAN	01/27/2015	300.00
LAC	Grenada	P151821	Second Programmatic Resilience Building De- velopment Policy Credit	08/27/2015	15.00
AFR	Mozambique	P151861	Mozambique - Financial Sector DPO II	08/06/2015	25.00
ECA	Ukraine	P151941	SECOND PROGRAMMATIC FINANCIAL SEC- TOR DEVELOPMENT POLICY LOAN	08/19/2015	500.00
AFR	Nigeria	P151947	Third Lagos State Development Policy Opera- tion	03/17/2015	200.00
ECA	Albania	P152064	Albania Financial Sector Modernization DPL II		100.00
ECA	Kyrgyz Re- public	P152440	Energy Sector Development Policy Operation	11/17/2014	24.00
AFR	Tanzania	P152529	Tanzania First Pension Reform Policy Credit	04/24/2015	50.00
EAP	Myanmar	P152734	Myanmar Development Policy Operation		300.00

AFR	Madagascar	P153084	MG - Resilience DPO	10/30/2015	45.00
LAC	Brazil	P153203	BR Manaus Service Delivery and Fiscal Man-	03/17/2015	150.00
			agement DPL		
ECA	Armenia	P153234	Third Development Policy Operation	11/02/2015	50.00
AFR	Seychelles	P153269	Sustaining Reforms for Inclusive Growth	07/24/2015	5.00
MNA	Morocco	P153603	MA-Second Capital Market Development and SME Finance DPL		300.00
AFR	Malawi	P153753	Malawi Fiscal Resilience DPO		50.00
MNA	Morocco	P154041	MA: Transparency and Accountability DPL2 (Hakama II)	07/09/2015	200.00
LAC	Chile	P154213	CL Social Inclusion for Shared Prosperity DPL	06/23/2015	100.00
EAP	Indonesia	P154291	Indonesia Energy Sector DPL	10/21/2015	500.00
EAP	Mongolia	P154354	Mongolia Economic Management Support Operation		40.00
AFR	Mozambique	P154422	Mozambique Eleventh Poverty Reduction Support Credit	10/26/2015	70.00
SAS	Nepal	P154693	Nepal Energy Sector Development Policy Credit		100.00
ECA	Kazakhstan	P154702	Kazakhstan Programmatic Development Policy Financing	09/22/2015	1,000.00
LAC	Jamaica	P154717	Second Competitiveness and Fiscal Manage- ment Programmatic DPL		55.00
SAS	Bangladesh	P154745	Bangladesh Inclusive Growth Development Pol- icy Credit-1		100.00
LAC	Panama	P154819	Panama Second Shared Prosperity Develop- ment Policy Loan		300.00
LAC	Colombia	P154821	CO Second Programmatic Sustained Growth and Income Convergence DPL	10/02/2015	700.00
LAC	St. Lucia	P154829	Saint Lucia DPL with a CAT DDO		7.00
LAC	Peru	P154981	Public Expenditure Mgmt in a Responsible Fis- cal Framework		900.00
AFR	Rwanda	P155024	Second Social Protection System DPO (SPS-2)	09/28/2015	95.00
EAP	Samoa	P155118	Second Fiscal and Economic Reform Operation		5.00
EAP	Philippines	P155141	Philippines Development Policy Loan IV	06/29/2015	300.00
LAC	Haiti	P155192	Economic Growth and Fiscal Reform Credit		20.00
AFR	Mozambique	P155228	Third Climate Change Development Policy Operation		25.00
AFR	Cote d'Ivoire	P155259	CI -DPO-Poverty Reduct. Support Credit 3	07/13/2015	100.00
AFR	Burundi	P155337	First Governance and Growth Support Grant		30.00
AFR	Uganda	P155393	UG Fiscal Decentralization, Governance, and Service Delivery DPO 1		90.00
LAC	Dominican Republic	P155425	Dominican Republic Strengthening Manage- ment of Public Finances DPL	09/03/2015	60.00
AFR	Chad	P155480	Chad-DPO Fiscal Consolidation Program	10/23/2015	50.00
ECA	Georgia	P155553	Private Sector Competitiveness DPO2		50.00
ECA	Albania	P155605	Albania Competitiveness and Jobs Develop- ment Policy Loan		100.00
EAP	Philippines	P155656	Second Disaster Risk Management Develop- ment Policy Loan with a CAT-DDO	06/29/2015	500.00
ECA	Serbia	P155694	Serbia Public Expenditure and Public Utilities DPL 1		200.00
SAS	Afghanistan	P155784	Afghanistan Development Policy Grant		100.00
EAP	Vietnam	P155824	Climate Change and Green Growth in Vietnam		90.00

LAC	Honduras	P155920	Honduras First Fiscal Sustainability and Enhanced Competitiveness DPF	10/29/2015	50.00
MNA	Iraq	P155962	IRAQ EMERGENCY FISCAL STABILIZATION, ENERGY SUSTAINABILITY, & SOES DPF		1,000.00
EAP	Fiji	P156436	Fiji Fiscal Sustainability DPO/PBG		45.97
ECA	Georgia	P156444	Second Programmatic Inclusive Growth DPL		50.00
ECA	Poland	P156494	Poland fiscal effectiveness and equity DPL		900.00
AFR	Guinea	P156629	Macroeconomic & Fiscal Management Opera- tion		40.00
AFR	Sierra Leone	P156651	Sierra Leone Fiscal Reform and Economic Re- covery		30.00
EAP	Indonesia	P156655	Indonesia Fiscal Reform DPL		300.00
LAC	Bolivia	P156718	Bolivia Investment Climate and Fiscal Manage- ment DPL		300.00
LAC	Grenada	P156761	Third Programmatic Resilience Building Development Policy Credit		10.00
AFR	Liberia	P156826	Supplemental Financing for Second Poverty Re- duction Support DPOII	09/14/2015	5.00
LAC	Peru	P156858	BOOSTING PRODUCTVITY FOR GROWTH DEVELOPMENT POLICY FINANCING WITH A DEFERRED DRAWDOWN OPTION		900.00
MNA	West Bank and Gaza	P156865	Palestinian National Development Plan - Sev- enth Development Policy	10/14/2015	40.00
LAC	Costa Rica	P156866	Shared prosperity and fiscal consolidation de- velopment policy loan		500.00
SAS	Nepal	P156960	Nepal Third Financial Sector Stability Credit		50.00
ECA	Moldova	P156963	First Moldova Economic Governance Develop- ment Policy Operation		30.00
AFR	Angola	P156980	Angola - Second Fiscal Management Develop- ment Policy Financing		200.00
AFR	Benin	P157077	Poverty Reduction Support Credit 11		20.00
SAS	Pakistan	P157207	Pakistan Equitable Growth Development Policy Credit I		500.00
SAS	India	P157224	DPL Rajasthan Reform for Power Sector Finan- cial Sustainability		500.00
LAC	Bolivia	P157239	Climate Change DPL		300.00
AFR	Sierra Leone	P157333	SL Supplemental Financing for Emergency Econ and Fiscal Support Op	10/30/2015	30.00
AFR	Ghana	P157343	Second Macroeconomic Stability for competi- tiveness and Growth		100.00
EAP	China	P157404	Chongqing-Dadukou Fiscal Sustainability DPO		200.00
EAP	Vietnam	P157405	Third Economic Management and Competitive- ness Credit		100.00
EAP	China	P157406	Hunan Fiscal Sustainability DPO		200.00
SAS	Bhutan	P157469	Development Policy Credit 2: Fiscal Sustainabil- ity&Investment Climate		20.00
MNA	Egypt, Arab Republic of	P157704	First Fiscal Consolidation, Sustainable Energy and Competitiveness DPF	11/12/2015	1,000.00
EAP	Vietnam	P157722	Vietnam Power Sector Reform Development Policy		200.00
SAS	Sri Lanka	P157804	Sri Lanka Competitiveness DPL		100.00
AFR	Mali	P157900	Mali - Poverty DPO		40.00
SAS	India	P126325	IN Maharashtra Rural Water Supply and Sanita- tion Program	03/25/2013	165.00

MNA	Tunisia	P130637	TN-Urban Dev. and Local Governance	05/19/2014	300.00
MNA	Morocco	P144539	Integrated Disaster Risk Management and Re-	11/17/2015	200.00
AFR	Cabo Verde	P147017	silience Program CV Public Sector Governance Project		15.00
LAC	Costa Rica	P148435	Strengthening Universal Health Insurance in Costa Rica	10/01/2015	400.00
MNA	West Bank and Gaza	P148896	Local Governance and Services Improvement Program	05/01/2015	5.00
AFR	Rwanda	P148927	Transformation of Agriculture Sector Program Phase 3 PforR	09/05/2014	300.00
AFR	Kenya	P149129	Kenya Devolution Support Project	11/23/2015	200.00
MNA	Egypt, Arab Republic of	P149622	Healthcare Support Project		200.00
MNA	Morocco	P149653	Morocco Urban Transport Project (P4R)	03/03/2015	200.00
ECA	Bosnia and Herzegovina	P149755	BiH Business Environment PforR		60.00
MNA	Morocco	P149995	MA-Municipal Support Program		100.00
MNA	Tunisia	P151011	Tunisia Financial Sector Modernization		250.00
MNA	Egypt, Arab Republic of	P151116	Finance for Rural Egypt Program		500.00
AFR	Cote d'Ivoire	P151507	Governance and Financial Sector Development		50.00
EAP	Vietnam	P152693	Results-based Scaling Up Rural Sanitation and Water Supply Program	04/02/2015	200.00
AFR	Tanzania	P152810	Tanzania Education and Skills for Productive Jobs Program (ESPJ)		120.00
MNA	Morocco	P153099	Leveraging Finance for Inclusive Growth		100.00
SAS	India	P153251	IN Swachh Bharat Mission Support Operation	09/11/2015	1,500.00
AFR	Tanzania	P153781	TZ-Rural Electrification Expansion Project		185.76
MNA	Egypt, Arab Republic of	P154112	Sustainable Rural Sanitation Services Program for Results	05/04/2015	550.00
EAP	China	P154669	Innovative Financing for Air Pollution Control in Jing-Jin-Ji	11/16/2015	500.00
EAP	China	P154672	Hebei Air Pollution Prevention and Control Pro- gram		500.00
ECA	Bulgaria	P154710	Bulgaria Residential Energy Efficiency Project		542.50
MNA	Morocco	P154715	Tourism Diversification		150.00
EAP	Indonesia	P154805	Power Distribution Development Program-for- Results		980.00
EAP	Indonesia	P154948	National Affordable Housing Program		500.00
EAP	China	P154984	Health Service Delivery Reform Project		400.00
SAS	India	P155007	Grid-Connected Solar Rooftop PV Project		500.13
EAP	Vietnam	P155086	Local Road Asset Management Program	11/11/2015	385.00
ECA	Serbia	P155172	PforR on Modernization and Optimization of Public Administration	11/05/2015	75.00
MNA	Morocco	P155222	Morocco Education Support		200.00
AFR	Gambia, The	P155476	Gambia - Pay, Pension and Performance Re- form Project		10.00
SAS	Pakistan	P155963	Pakistan Punjab Jobs and Competitiveness Pro- gram for Results		100.00
SAS	India	P156867	India Skill and Employability Enhancement Pro- ject		268.75

LAC	Panama	P157311	PA: Improving Access and Continuity of Health Care P4R	100.00
SAS	Pakistan	P157507	Public Financial Management For Improved Service Delivery	200.00
ECA	Armenia	P157571	Power Sector Financial Recovery Program	22.00