

Public Information Summary

Host Country(ies)	Uganda
Name(s) of Borrower(s)/Guaranteed Party(ies)	Opportunity Bank Uganda Limited (“OBUL” or the “Opportunity Bank”)
Project Description	Loan portfolio guaranty with 60% coverage to increase lending to individuals, groups, and SMEs in Uganda’s refugee and host communities.
Proposed DFC Loan/Guaranty	\$5,400,000
All-Source Funding Total	\$9,000,000
Policy Review	
Developmental Objectives	<p>This Project is expected to have positive impact in Uganda by expanding individual and microenterprise lending to refugees and women-owned/led enterprises. Uganda hosts Africa’s largest refugee population and remains the third largest refugee hosting nation in the world, with an estimated 1.5 million refugees displaced primarily from South Sudan and Democratic Republic of the Congo. Additionally, Ugandan micro, small and medium enterprises face severe constraints in access to finance, with an estimated financing gap of over \$5.4 billion. The Project Company expects to support consumer and microfinance lending with an emphasis on vulnerable refugees and women-owned and -led enterprises.</p>
Environment and Social Assessment	<p>The Project has been reviewed against the DFC’s 2020 Environmental and Social Policies and Procedures manual (“ESPP”) and has been determined to be categorically eligible. DFC loan portfolio guaranties for the expansion of lending to small, and medium enterprises (“SMEs”) are screened as a Category C for environmental and social assessment. These downstream investments are expected to result in minimal adverse environmental and social impacts. Therefore, all those downstream investments have been pre-screened as Category C and further review and consent is not required for these investments.</p> <p>To ensure that the Guaranteed Party’s investments are consistent with the DFC’s statutory and policy requirements, the DFC loan will be subject to conditions regarding the use of proceeds. The primary environmental and social issues identified in this transaction relate to the need for an Environmental and Social Policy (“ESP”) that meets the 2012 IFC Performance Standards.</p>

	<p>Under the DFC’s ESPP, the Guaranteed Party is required to comply with applicable local and national laws and regulations related to environmental and social performance and applicable provisions of the 2012 International Finance Corporation’s Performance Standard (“PS”) 1 and 2. A desk-review based due diligence assessment indicates that because the Project will use DFC support for the expansion of its SME lending portfolio in Uganda, significant adverse impacts concerning community health and safety, biodiversity, land acquisition and resettlement, indigenous peoples, and cultural heritage are not anticipated; therefore, PS 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8 are not triggered at this time. The Guaranteed Party does not utilize private security and therefore, relevant aspects of IFC PS 4, Community Health, Safety, and Security are not triggered at this time.</p> <p>The Guaranteed Party does not show evidence of an environmental and social policy as described in IFC PS 1 or Human Resources Policies that are as described in IFC PS 2. The Guaranteed Party will be required to provide the DFC an adequate environmental and social policy aligned with IFC PS 1, provide evidence that borrowers are screened for E&S risks, and an updated human resources policy with adequate protections for non-discrimination.</p>
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