

AfDB Asia External Representation Office (SNAR)

The African Development Bank Group (AfDB) Asia External Representation Office (SNAR) is the Bank's sole representative office outside Africa, opened in Hibiya, Tokyo, Japan on 15 October 2012, and relocated to Kasumigaseki on 8 June 2020.

The SNAR's mandate is to cover the Bank's four Asian member countries, which are China, India, Japan, and Korea. The SNAR is conveniently located in Tokyo's business district, closer to government offices, and easily accessible by all the major partners of the Bank, including African Embassies in Japan.

The Bank's major objectives are to enhance partnerships and dialogue with Asian countries, promote business and investment opportunities in and with Africa, and widely disseminate and exchange information about the Bank, itself, and development issues and projects in Africa. The mission of SNAR is promoting external partnership and dialogue, innovative approaches to business and investment, and knowledge dissemination and exchange, all of which contribute to the mobilization of resources for the Bank's Ten-Year Strategy and five development priorities known as the "High 5s."



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The African Development Bank Group



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Who We Are

The African Development Bank Group (AfDB) is one of the major Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs) in the world. The Bank aims to assist its regional (Africa) member countries (RMCs) in achieving a sustainable economic development and social progress, by mobilizing and allocating resources for investment and offering policy advice and technical assistance.

The Bank is composed of three institutions: the African Development Bank (AfDB), the African Development Fund (ADF), and the Nigeria Trust Fund (NTF). While the Bank Group primarily receives funds from its donor countries, it also actively borrows from the capital markets to meet the development needs of African countries, as the Bank is rated AAA by all the major credit agencies.

The Bank Group has Country Offices or Liaison Offices in some 41 African countries, and three Regional Development, Integration and Business Delivery Hubs, in Nairobi, Pretoria and Tunisia. The Group also has the Asia External Representation Office (SNAR) as the sole office outside the African continent.

The Bank Group Capitals (as of 31 December 2019)

Authorized Capital:	USD 211.84 billion
Subscribed Capital:	USD 91.47 billion
Paid-up Capital:	USD 6.85 billion
Callable Capital:	USD 84.63 billion
Total Reserves:	USD 3.87 billion

Our Members

The Bank Group currently has 81 member countries, of which 54 are African (regional member countries) and 27 are non-African (non-regional member countries). The ADF comprises 33 contributing countries and benefits 37 countries.



What We Do

The Bank Group has three major financial tools to promote the development of Africa.

1. Loans and Grants

The Bank Group offers loans and grants as its major operations in the RMCs. Its loans are categorized either as Sovereign Guaranteed Loans (SGL) or Non-Sovereign Guaranteed Loans (NSGL). The ADF offers grants and loans on concessional terms to the 37 lower-income RMCs. The AfDB offers loans on quasi-commercial terms for public enterprises and projects in non-ADF countries, as well as loans on commercial terms for projects operated by private firms in RMCs under NSGL*.

*Eligibility criteria for both AfDB's and ADF's loans and grants are listed on the Bank's website.

2. Other Financial Products

The Bank Group offers other financial products, comprised of loans (including synthetic local currency and syndicated loans), lines of credit, guarantees, risk management products, as well as equity and quasi-equity.

3. Technical Assistance

In addition to the aforementioned financial tools, the Bank Group also offers technical assistances (TAs). TAs are to help the RMCs modernize their facilities and enhance both their public and private institutional capacities for developmental project preparations, through grants and loans to train experts, especially central and local or regional government officials.

"High 5s" AfDB's Five Priority Areas

The Bank seeks to promote strong, shared and sustainable growth in Africa. Its 2013-2022 Strategy is designed to place the Bank at the center of Africa's transformation and to improve the quality of Africa's growth. In September 2015, President Adesina set out five Bank Group priorities aligned with the 2013-2022 Strategy. These are: Lighting up and powering Africa; Feeding Africa; Industrialising Africa; Integrating Africa; and Improving the quality of life for the people of Africa. The five priority areas are referred to as the High 5s.



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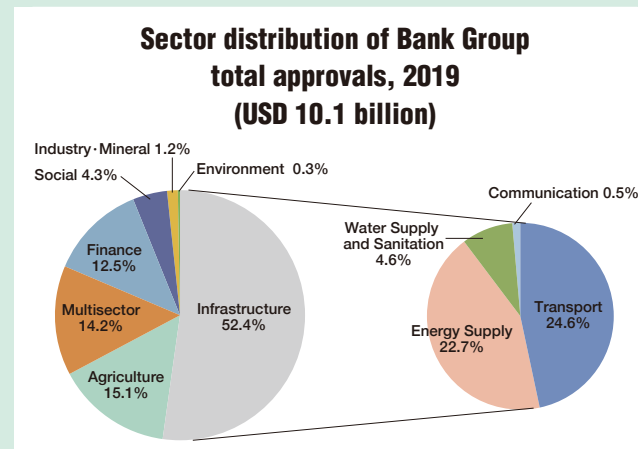


Africa Investment Forum



In 2018, the African Development Bank launched the Africa Investment Forum, a 100% transactional platform, to promote investments in Africa and close its huge infrastructure gap. AIF is Africa's investment marketplace — a multi-stakeholder, multidisciplinary platform dedicated to advancing projects to bankable stages, raising capital, and accelerating the financial closure of deals. The 1st Africa Investment Forum was held in Johannesburg, South Africa, in November 2018. In 2019, the 2nd AIF once again took place from 11-13 November 2019. 2,258 participants, including 4 African Heads of States, representing 101 countries attended the 2nd AIF. It secured investment interest for 52 projects worth USD 40.1 billion.

Areas and Volume of Our Work



In 2019, 293 operations totaling USD 10.1 billion were approved. The diagram above shows the distribution of approved loans and grants by sectors in 2019. Since its inception, in 1967, and until 31 December 2019, the Bank Group has committed approximately USD 161.5 billion to support 6,162 development projects and programs in Africa.



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