

 Early Warning System

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50 MILLION AFRICAN WOMEN SPEAK NETWORKING PLATFORM  
(COMESA)



### Quick Facts

Financial Institutions	African Development Bank (AFDB)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2016-07-15
Borrower	COMESA Secretariat
Sectors	Communications, Infrastructure
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 5.33 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 5.33 million



### Project Description

According to bank documents, the goal of this platform is to improve the ability of women entrepreneurs to access finance and find relevant financial and non-financial information that will assist them to grow and sustain their businesses. This project has the following components:

#### Component 1: Support for hosting infrastructure platform

\* Provisioning of development, staging and production hosting server infrastructure; Interfacing with existing systems and networks; Hosting infrastructure monitoring and support services; Infrastructure R&D services; Continuous optimisation of infrastructure components; platform bandwidth consumption; and Data base infrastructure Component 2: Support for content and related data base platform development

\* Application and content development of the platform using open source technologies; Development of a mobile platform as the SME-user interface; Development of donor / funder / investor user interface and supporting statistical databases and analytics components; Development of a content platform, for hosting, managing and provision of educational, financial-inclusion and other SME-specific business content; Content syndication, curation, translation and original content development; and development of the statistical



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### Contact Information

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