

# Multisector Preinvestment Program

ECUADOR

SECTOR: Preinvestment

NAME OF PROJECT: Multisector Preinvestment Program  
(919/SF-EC)

TOTAL COST: \$15 million

FINANCING:

IDB	\$12 million
LOCAL	\$ 3 million

DATE OF APPROVAL: December 1, 1993

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The purpose of the program is to improve the allocation of public funds to investment projects in Ecuador. To do so, the program will seek to strengthen the government's capacity for identifying, preparing and evaluating pre-investment projects by financing general and specific studies. This also includes institutional strengthening of the executing agency p the General Secretariat of the Consejo Nacional de Desarrollo Económico [National Economic Development Council] (CONADE), through its Office of Preinvestment Studies p and of the beneficiary agencies.

The program calls for the conduct of: specific studies related to the projects that are or will be part of the country's operations program agreed upon by the country and the multilateral credit institutions p in particular, the IDB; general studies that will provide a basis for identifying and formulating new projects; and institutional strengthening studies to support the activities necessary to supply the requisite institutional framework for designing the projects included in the operations program. The beneficiaries of the program will be Ecuadoran public institutions.

The studies to be conducted will support: (a) the agricultural, energy, and water and environment sectors, in order to promote the increase and diversification of exports, the development of agriculture, and the establishment of export corridors to contribute to integration with neighboring countries; (b) the social sectors, through the restructuring, rehabilitation, and expansion of social services; and (c) the environmental sector, to assist with the country's efforts in the area of recovery and conservation of soil, forests, and other natural resources.

**CONSULTANTS:**

The resources of the program will be used to hire the professional services of individual consultants or consulting firms to conduct the following preinvestment studies: (a) specific studies that cover the areas of irrigation and natural resources, specific designs, feasibility and designs for the Guayaquil sewerage system, and feasibility and designs for improving the environment in Guayaquil; (b) general studies, including studies to design a rural development strategy, studies for institutional strengthening in connection with the merger of Guayaquil's potable water and sewerage companies, and strengthening in the area of environmental planning for Guayaquil; and (c) support for the incorporation of women in the productive and social sectors. Support consulting services will also be contracted.

**CONSTRUCTION:**

Not applicable.

**GOODS AND EQUIPMENT:**

Not applicable.

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