

PROJECT STATUS REPORT (PSR)

07/01/2022 - 12/31/2022 - PSR-09411

PROJECT SUMMARY

Operation number

TT-T1095

Suboperation number

ATN/CN-18968-TT

Project Name

EcoMicro - Central Finance Facility - Green Finance to Build Ruth Houliston
Climate Resilience of Low-Income Households

Team Leader

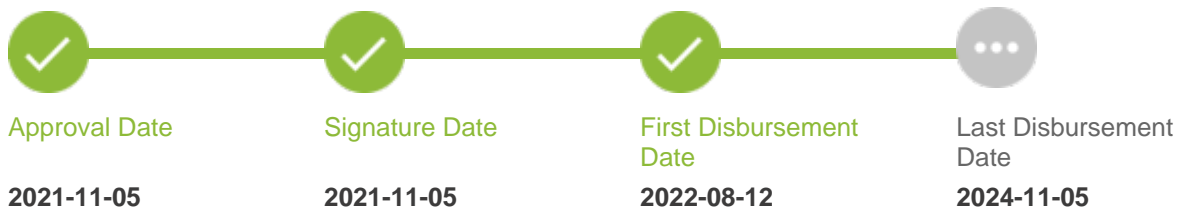
Executing Agency

Inter-American Development Bank

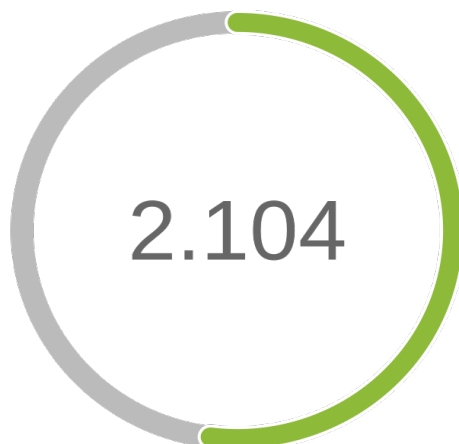
Purpose



Project cycle



PSR SCORE



- 0 - 1 Red Flag
- 1 - 2 Yellow Flag
- 2 - 4 Green Flag

LEARNINGS

1. Risk and Lessons

1.1. Risk

1.1.1. What do you think is the biggest risk that threatens the achievement of the project objectives?

Limited appetite among MSMEs and low-income housing for green finance given the low cost of energy and COVID-19. An additional foreseen risk is the limited number of RE/EE and adaptation technology suppliers present in Trinidad and Tobago's fossil-fuel based economy.

1.2. Greatest Achievement or Failure

1.2.1. What has been the greatest achievement or failure in the last semester that affected the implementation of the project?

During the first months of the project's implementation, the major tasks undertaken by the Consulting Partner focused on detailed preparation and partial execution of Component I – Design and Implementation of Green Finance Products. The following deliverables are being finalized and are set to be submitted in Q1 2023: - Market Study and Landscape Analysis - First Bi-Annual Report - Technology Guides have been developed and are being finalized. The Guide includes 13 technologies. Training will occur in the form of asynchronous recording so that the EA and its employees can refer to it whenever necessary. - Institutional Assessment report is pending a few results from outstanding green finance compass reports. - A GSI Report was shared with each participating credit union and is awaiting feedback.

1.3. Findings and Lessons

1.3.1. What are the most useful findings and lessons from this project that when taken into consideration could improve the execution and results of existing projects and the design of similar projects in the future? A finding describes an action, circumstance or decision that was critical in determining the positive or negative evolution of the project (for example, switching from the development of a blockchain platform to a web-based shared database reduced the cost and time devoted to implementing the traceability capabilities required by the project). A lesson is a concrete, actionable proposal based on a finding that, in similar circumstances, would facilitate problem solving, risk mitigation, and the achievement of results (for example, Develop guidelines and criteria to identify candidates that could benefit from the implementation of a blockchain platform, and assess during the design if the selected project satisfies the criteria before committing to develop one).

Strong governance mechanism critical - Participation in regular Steering Committee meetings with all credit unions and Sparkassen and strong communication between all parties are key to the projects success. This is especially crucial given the number of stakeholder involved, including 4 participating credit unions each with their own loan portfolio and institutional structures.

2. Scalability and replicability

2.1. Scalability Plan

2.1.1. Now that the Project is in the execution phase, have you developed any concrete plan or action that will allow it to reach a greater number of users/clients/beneficiaries (or broader environmental or resilience to climate change and natural disasters impacts) in the future?

This project is in the early execution phase. Therefore, a plan for scale has not been developed yet. This will be completed in the final year of execution.

2.2. Costs and Partners to Scale

2.2.1. Now that the project is in the execution phase, do you know how much it costs to offer your product / service per user / client / beneficiary? Is this a factor that could affect reaching a greater

number of users / clients / beneficiaries in the future? Has any public or private institution requested this information from you, looking for scaling or replicating the model / product / service?

This project is in the early execution phase. Information on the cost of the product will be available following the market study and landscape analysis. This Analysis will identify existing and potential household demand and business demand for RE/EE and adaptation/resilience products and price the green finance product accordingly, with appropriate interest rates, collateral requirements, loan tenors, etc.

2.3. Facilitating or Hindering Factors

2.3.1. Has any of these factors affected the number of users/clients/beneficiaries (more/fewer) reached by the project compared to what was originally planned (or environmental or resilience to climate change and natural disasters impacts)?

[Other]

Others, Which?

Given that the project is very early in the execution phase, the facilitating or hindering factors will be better accessed once the green finance products are rolled out into the market. A mid-term evaluation is also anticipated to determine performance of the pilot compared to what was originally planned and put forward alternative strategies based on the findings.

2.4. Scalability Scope

2.4.1. How feasible it is that the organization could reach a number of users/clients/beneficiaries 5, 10 or 100 times the number originally planned in the project design, five years after the project ends?

[It could reach between 5 times and 10 times the number of users/clients/beneficiaries originally planned in the project design five years after its closure]

2.4.2. How likely is the organization to reach that number five years after the project ends?

[Probable (more than 50% but less than 90% chance)]

2.5. IDB Group business relation

2.5.1. Has a business relation been created with another part of the IDB Group different from IDB Lab?

n/a

2.6. Replicability Partners

2.6.1. Are you aware of any other entity at a national or international level that has copied / replicated completely or partially the business model of the project? Did you collaborate in the process with that entity?

[Yes]

If Yes, Explain

This project has been implemented as a part of the overall EcoMicro facility which has implemented similar operations with FIs across the region. As a key part of the overall program, it can anticipated that knowledge sharing initiatives will be implemented to share lessons learnt, best practice, and experiences across all of the Executing Agencies as they undertake their respective pilots.

2.7. Replicability Scope

2.7.1. Number of users / clients / beneficiaries reached by entities that have fully or partially replicated / copied the business model / products / services implemented with the support of the project?

[At least 10 times but less than 100 times the number of users / clients / beneficiaries planned in the original project design]

2.8. Sustainability

2.8.1. How do you think the project will continue once the IDB Lab financing ends? Examples: it has identified external financing sources to continue operating, it has reached the breakeven point through the sale of services and products, it has obtained the support of public institutions or the private sector, it will adjust the business model to remain viable (via franchises, etc.)

This project is very early in the execution phase, therefore information on this is not currently available. As detailed above, a scale strategy will be provided in the final year of the project.

3. Implementation

3.1. Facilitating or Hindering Factors

3.1.1. What specific aspects have (positively or negatively) affected the implementation of the project the most?

[Other]

Others, Which?

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3.1.2. Explain in detail how these factors that you identified have made the implementation of the project easier or more difficult

In order to keep the project on track, it has been decided that as it relates to Component 3, the EA (Central Finance Facility) will take on a larger role in the design and implementation of the Institutional Greening. The Consulting Partner will conduct a webinar discussing the frameworks of the Institutional Greening Strategy and its importance which the EA will then build on.

3.2. Novel Technologies Factors

3.2.1. If the project makes use of novel technologies or methodologies, what factors have facilitated or hindered the implementation of the technological solution initially proposed by the project?

[Access to subject matter experts by executing agency/client]

4. Development Outcomes (Quantitative)

4.0 Has your project contributed to any of the following indicators in the last 12 months (last year)?

[4.6. Not contribute]

5. Development Outcomes (Qualitative)

5.1. Target population identified in the design

Is the target population that was identified in the design being reached by the project? Select the target population actually reached by the project that was originally identified in the project design.

[None]

5.2. Population served NOT identified in the project design

5.2.1. Select if there are Groups that were NOT originally identified in the project design but are being reached in the execution phase?

[None]

5.3. Facilitating or Hindering Factors

5.3.1. Factors that have affected (facilitated or hindered) reaching these groups, or the resilience/environmental impacts, in the numbers/dimensions that the project had originally planned.

[Other]

Others

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5.3.2. Explain in detail how these factors that you have identified have affected the ability of the project to reach the groups (achieve resilience/environmental impacts) in the numbers/dimensions originally expected

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INDICATORS

 Overachieved
  Achieved
  Pending
  In process
  Overdue

C1: Design & Implementation of Green Finance Products

Weight: 25%


Qualification: Satisfactory

0%				
Indicators		Planned	Achieved	Status
I1		1 (2022-11-05)		
I2		2 (2023-11-05)		
I3		150 (2024-11-05)		
I4		300 (2024-11-05)		
I5		500000 (2024-11-05)		
I6		100 (2024-11-05)		
I7		500 (2024-11-05)		
I8		1 (2024-11-05)		

C2: Analyzing the Vulnerability of the FI Loan Portfolio to Climate Change

Weight: 25%

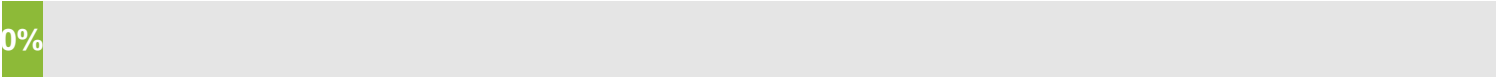
Qualification: High Satisfactory

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Indicators		Planned	Achieved	Status
I1		100 (2024-11-05)		
I2		1 (2023-11-05)		
I3		100 (2024-11-05)		

C3: Reducing the Environmental Impact of the Finance Institutions

Weight: 25%

Qualification: Satisfactory

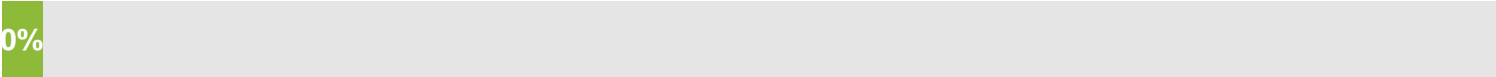


Indicators	Planned	Achieved	Status
I1	0 (2022-11-05)		
I2	1 (2023-11-05)		
I3	100 (2024-11-05)		
I4	1 (2024-11-05)		
I5	0 (2024-11-05)		
I6	0 (2024-11-05)		

C4: Knowledge Management and Communications

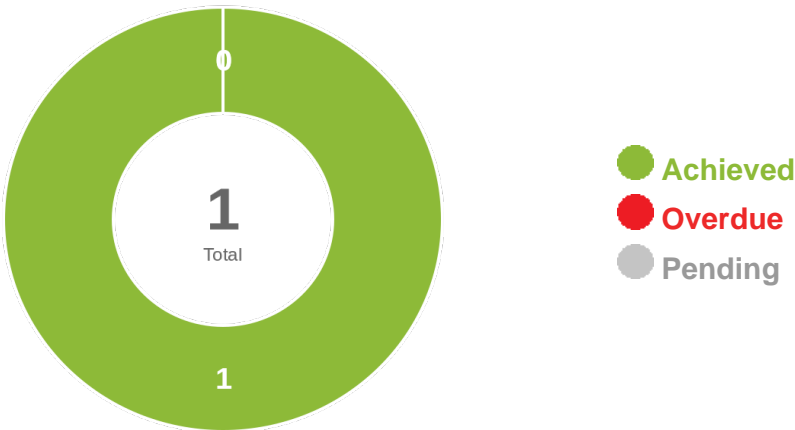
Weight: 25%

Qualification: High Satisfactory



Indicators	Planned	Achieved	Status
I1	9 (2024-11-05)		
I2	1 (2024-11-05)		
I3	3 (2024-11-05)		
I4	0 (2024-11-05)		
I5	1 (2024-11-05)		

MILESTONES



Milestones	Achieved Value	Due Date	Achieved Date	Status
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