Support to Enterprise Development and Competitiveness Project (P161590)

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Implementing Agencies: Republic of Congo, Ministry of Plan, Statistics and Regional Integration

Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date: 30-May-2018 Effectiveness Date: 20-May-2019

Planned Mid Term Review Date: 25-Oct-2021 Actual Mid-Term Review Date: 10-Nov-2021

Original Closing Date: 30-May-2023 Revised Closing Date: 30-May-2023

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The objective of the Project is to foster MSME competitiveness in the targeted sectors and targeted geographic areas of the Republic of Congo's territory.

Has the Project Development Objective been changed since Board Approval of the Project Objective?

No

Public Disclosure Authorized

Components Tab

Name

Regulatory and institutional support to strenghten the enabling environment for private sector development:(Cost \$10000000.00 M)

Direct support to MSMEs to enhance the development and competitiveness of selected value chains:(Cost \$12000000.00 M)

Project implementation and coordination:(Cost \$3000000.00 M)

Overall Ratings

Name	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Progress towards achievement of PDO	□ Moderately Satisfactory	□ Moderately Satisfactory
Overall Implementation Progress (IP)	□Moderately Satisfactory	□ Moderately Satisfactory
Overall Risk Rating	□Moderate	□Moderate

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

A virtual mid-term review and implementation mission was undertaken in November 2021. Progress towards the Project Development Objective has been affected by the COVID-19 and activities have been delayed. However, the project has been able to respond to COVID-19 pandemic by mobilizing project activities and meeting required covenants. Since project launch, 6 reforms on 4 investment climate indicators have been adopted with project support, including: cross-border trade, paying taxes, obtaining construction permits, and business creation. In addition, firm-level support activities through Component 2 have been mobilized, with the award of the first wave of beneficiaries through the BPC (180 laureates), and the SME Development Fund (40 firms selected thus far). In addition, the project delivered strategic studies and institutional technical assistance on the development of logistics corridors, and action plans to strengthen relevant agencies (investment promotion, GUOT, special economic zones, ADPME).

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Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Political and Governance	□High	Substantial	Substantial
Macroeconomic	□High	Substantial	Substantial
Sector Strategies and Policies	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial
Technical Design of Project or Program	Moderate	□Moderate	Moderate
Institutional Capacity for Implementation and Sustainability	□High	Substantial	Substantial
Fiduciary	□Moderate	Substantial	Substantial
Environment and Social	Moderate	□Moderate	Moderate
Stakeholders	Moderate	□Moderate	Moderate
Other		□Moderate	Moderate
Overall	□High	Moderate	□Moderate

Results

PDO Indicators by Objectives / Outcomes

To foster MSME competitiveness in targeted sectors and geographic areas of the Republic of Congo							
► Number of Investment Climate reforms implemented (cumulative) (Number, Custom)							
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target			
Value	0.00	6.00	6.00	12.00			
Date	30-May-2018	18-Jun-2021	09-Dec-2021	30-May-2023			
► Share of beneficiary firms under the Support to Enterprise Development grants demonstrating a sustained increase in annual turnover. (Percentage, Custom)							
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target			
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00			
Date	30-May-2018	18-Jun-2021	09-Dec-2021	30-May-2023			

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► Share of new firms supported under the Business Plan Competition (BPC) that are still operating 24 months after receiving assistance
(financial and non-financial) (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Date	30-May-2018	18-Jun-2021	09-Dec-2021	30-May-2023

Overall Comments

Indicators related to firm-level grants will be tracked in 12 months and again at the end of the project -- considering that financial and technical support has just been recently awarded.

Intermediate Results Indicators by Components

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		FFD process endorsed for imp	nementation (Number, Cus	otom)
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	2.00	2.00	18.00
Date	30-May-2018	18-Jun-2021	09-Dec-2021	30-May-2023
□Out of which number of	measures/recommendations	s that led to reforms (Number,	Custom Supplement)	
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	2.00	2.00	12.00
►API Investment Promotio	n Strategy and Business Pla	in development (Text, Custom)		
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Value	Not Approved by AF Board	Pl Yes	Yes	Approved by the AP Board
Date	30-May-2018 18-Jun-2021 09-Dec-2021		30-May-2023	
□Including promot	tion, facilitation and aftercare activi	ties (Text, Custom Supplement	t)	
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
GUOT (The One S	Stop Shop for trans-border trade) s	trengthened operationally (Yes	s/No, Custom)	
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
/alue	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Date	23-Jun-2020	18-Jun-2021	09-Dec-2021	30-May-2023
Comments:	The report regarding	g the repositioning of GUOT wa	as delivered by the PADEC.	
□Institutional qual	ity of the GUOT (index) (Number, 0	Custom Supplement)		
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	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.00
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.00
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►Business plans s	uccessfully launched (Number, Cus	tom)		
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
/alue	0.00	87.00	87.00	100.00
Date	30-May-2018	18-Jun-2021	09-Dec-2021	30-May-2023
□% of Business p	olans with actual funding (Percentag	ge, Custom Supplement)		
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00
►Number of MSME	Ereceiving technical support (Numb	per, Custom)		
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	367.00	367.00	200.00
Date	30-May-2018	18-Jun-2021	09-Dec-2021	30-May-2023
Value	Baseline 0.00	Actual (Previous) 89.00	Actual (Current) 89.00	End Target 80.00
Value	0.00	89.00	89.00	80.00
Date	30-May-2018	18-Jun-2021	09-Dec-2021	30-May-2023
➤ Firms benefiting f	rom private sector initiatives (Numb	per, Corporate)		
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	220.00	220.00	500.00
Date	30-May-2018	18-Jun-2021	09-Dec-2021	30-May-2023
□of which female	owned (Number, Custom Breakdov	wn)		
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
	0.00	74.00	74.00	200.00
Value			09-Dec-2021	30-May-2023
Value	30-May-2018	18-Jun-2021	09-Dec-2021	30 Way 2020
Date				50 May 2020
Date	30-May-2018 e sector cooperative (GIE) establish Baseline			End Target

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Value	0.00	1.00	1.00	10.00
Date	30-May-2018	18-Jun-2021	09-Dec-2021	30-May-2023
□of which secured	d a market access with a buyer (Nu	mber, Custom Breakdown)		
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00
Date	30-May-2018	18-Jun-2021	09-Dec-2021	30-May-2023
► Satisfaction rating	by project beneficiaries administer	red through a survey questionn	aire (%) (Citizen Engageme	ent) (Percentage, Custom)
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
/alue	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00
Date	30-May-2018	18-Jun-2021	09-Dec-2021	30-May-2023
□Out of which fem	nale beneficiaries (Percentage, Cus	stom Supplement)		
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Overall Comments

Note:

- --A full project beneficiary satisfaction survey will be completed in 2022. A partial survey/consultation was administered by a consultant as part of the MTR report with qualitative focus groups noting dissatisfaction from the delay in mobilization of support activities.
- --Since project launch, 9 procedures under 4 DB indicators have been adopted with project support, including: cross-border trade, paying taxes, obtaining construction permits, and business creation. It is proposed that this intermediate indicator will be reworded to "number of

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procedures under 6 investment climate indicators streamlined" instead of " number of procedures under 6 DB indicators streamlined", given the discontinuation of the DB report.

Performance-Based Conditions

Data on Financial Performance

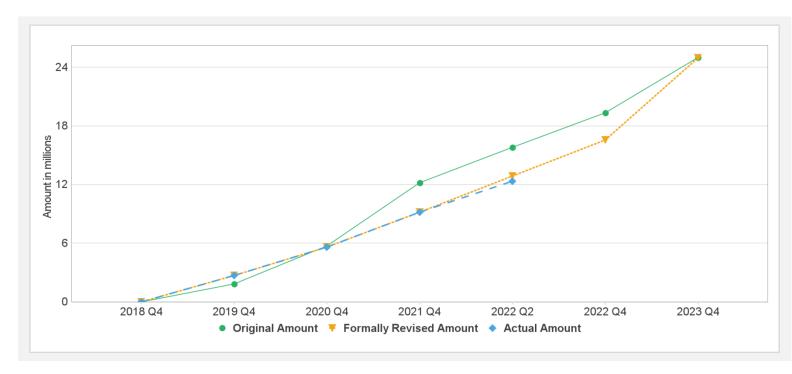
Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	% Disbursed
P161590	IBRD-88710	Effective	USD	25.00	25.00	0.00	12.39	11.69	51%

Key Dates (by Ioan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P161590	IBRD-88710	Effective	30-May-2018	21-Jun-2018	20-May-2019	30-May-2023	30-May-2023

Cumulative Disbursements



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PBC Disbursement

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Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.

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