



RESTRUCTURING PAPER
ON A
PROPOSED PROJECT RESTRUCTURING
OF
CLEAR CENTER FOR FRANCOPHONE AFRICA PHASE 2
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CLEAR Center for Francophone Africa Phase 2 (P160703)

ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

CLEAR Centers for Learning on Evaluation and Results

FA Francophone Africa

PDO Project Development Objective



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BASIC DATA

Product Information

Project ID P160703	Financing Instrument Investment Project Financing
Original EA Category Not Required (C)	Current EA Category Not Required (C)
Approval Date 08-Feb-2018	Current Closing Date 31-Dec-2020

Organizations

Borrower Centre Africain d'Etudes Superieures en Gestion (CESAG)	Responsible Agency Regional Centers for Learning on Evaluation and Results (CLEAR), Francophone Africa Center
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Financing (in USD Million)

SUMMARY

Total Project Cost	0
Total Financing	0
Financing Gap	0

DETAILS



Project Development Objective (PDO)

Original PDO

The objective of the project is three-fold: (i) strategic clients gain knowledge in, and the motivation to use M&E methods, approaches, tools, and findings; (ii) other M&E capacity providers gain knowledge on evaluation capacity development (ECD) from CLEAR’s experience on what works and what doesn’t in ECD; and (iii) the CLEAR Center works towards achieving institutional and financial viability.

Summary Status of Financing (US\$, Millions)

TF	Approval	Signing	Effectiveness	Closing	Net		
					Commitment	Disbursed	Undisbursed
TF-A5250	08-Feb-2018	08-Mar-2018	08-Jun-2018	31-Dec-2020	1.34	.53	.81

Policy Waiver(s)

Does this restructuring trigger the need for any policy waiver(s)?

No

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I. PROJECT STATUS AND RATIONALE FOR RESTRUCTURING

- (i) The proposed restructuring involves a project closing date extension only, in anticipation of a separate restructuring at a later stage (i.e. February 2021) to adjust the results framework and delivery schedule. The closing date extension is necessary to bridge the time gap until the extension of the parent trust fund (TF071407) is completed. Donors have agreed to an extension of the parent trust fund and end-disbursement date to December 30, 2021, but the process is experiencing delays which risk triggering a formal closure of the project unless the closing date is extended.
- (ii) The products and services of CLEAR FA are in high demand, both nationally and regionally. With ongoing work to support the Center’s regional footprint, CLEAR FA is set to gain more exposure and demand is expected to increase significantly. Due to implementation delays caused by COVID-19 restrictions on travel and social distancing requirements, and management changes in the implementing agency, it is crucial for the project to fulfill its commitments as set out in the grant agreement, which are well aligned with the project development objective.



(iii) The overall implementation progress is Moderately Unsatisfactory and the progress towards achievement of PDO is Moderately Unsatisfactory. However, with the hiring of a new Director and program officers at the implementing agency, disbursements and delivery of outputs will speed up significantly the disbursement rate. A virtual supervision mission will be held on December 15, 2020, and progress since the last ISR will be updated, with a likely upgrade in implementation progress ratings. The risk to the achievement of the development objective is currently considered to be Moderate based on recent positive developments at the implementing agency.

II. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES

- (i) The project closing date will be extended from December 30th, 2020 to February 26th, 2021. The end disbursement date of the grant is June, 30th, 2021. The four-month grace period between the project closing date and the end disbursement date of the trust fund complies with the stipulations of the World Bank Investment Project Financing Implementation Support to Project Completion.
- (ii) There is no change in the project’s development objective or components. There are also no changes in safeguard category, in the project’s implementation arrangements, and there are no overdue financial audits and no audit reports that are not acceptable to the Bank.
- (iii) Upon the extension of the parent trust fund, a separate restructuring will be undertaken to provide additional time for implementation (until October 29, 2021), and enable changes to the results framework.

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III. SUMMARY OF CHANGES

	Changed	Not Changed
Loan Closing Date(s)	✓	
Disbursement Estimates	✓	
Implementing Agency		✓
Project's Development Objectives		✓
Results Framework		✓
Components and Cost		✓



Cancellations Proposed		✓
Additional Financing Proposed		✓
Reallocation between Disbursement Categories		✓
Disbursements Arrangements		✓
Change in Overall Risk Rating		✓
Safeguard Policies Triggered		✓
EA category		✓
Legal Covenants		✓
Institutional Arrangements		✓
Financial Management		✓
Procurement		✓
Implementation Schedule		✓
Other Change(s)		✓
Economic and Financial Analysis		✓
Technical Analysis		✓
Social Analysis		✓
Environmental Analysis		✓

IV. DETAILED CHANGE(S)

LOAN CLOSING DATE(S)

TF	Status	Original Closing	Revised Closing(s)	Proposed Closing	Proposed Deadline for Withdrawal Applications
TF-A5250	Effective	31-Dec-2020		26-Feb-2021	26-Apr-2021

DISBURSEMENT ESTIMATES

Change in Disbursement Estimates
Yes

Expected Disbursements (In US\$)



Fiscal Year	Annual	Cumulative
2018	0.00	0.00
2019	0.00	0.00
2020	0.00	0.00
2021	810,000.00	810,000.00

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