



RESTRUCTURING PAPER
ON A
PROPOSED PROJECT RESTRUCTURING
OF
CLEAR CENTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WITS
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CLEAR Center at the University of Wits (P149309)

ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

AA	Anglophone Africa
CLEAR	Centers for Learning on Evaluation and Results
M&E	Monitoring and Evaluation
PDO	Project Development Objective
RVP	Regional Vice President



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BASIC DATA

Product Information

Project ID P149309	Financing Instrument Investment Project Financing
Original EA Category	Current EA Category
Approval Date 11-Dec-2013	Current Closing Date 30-Dec-2020

Organizations

Borrower Graduate School of Public and Development Management (P&DM) at Witwatersrand University	Responsible Agency Centre for Learning on Evaluation and Results for Anglophone Africa (CLEAR-AA) at Witwatersrand Univ
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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 to enhance the capacity of the Center for Learning on Evaluation and Results for Anglophone Africa (CLEAR-AA) at the Graduate School of Public and Development Management (P&DM) of the University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, to develop and provide high quality Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) capacity development services on national and regional level basis.

Current 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		Undisbursed
					Commitment	Disbursed	
TF-16358	12-Jun-2014	12-Jun-2014	12-Jun-2014	30-Dec-2020	4.20	4.20	0

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 Restructuring Paper proposes to extend the closing date of the grant (TF016358) financing the CLEAR Center at the University of Wits Project (P149309) from December 30, 2020 to February 26, 2021. This two-month extension is needed to respond to delays in processing the extension in closing date of the Trustee fund (Multi-Donor Trust Fund for Regional Centers for Learning on Evaluation and Results, TF071407), and to enable the grant to remain active and eligible to receive additional financing (as discussed and agreed by the Donors). The extension of the Trustee’s end disbursement date from June 30, 2021 to April 30, 2022, is expected to be completed by December 31, 2020, and a request for Additional Financing to this grant would be submitted in February 2021.
- (ii) The products and services of CLEAR AA are in high demand, both nationally and regionally. With ongoing work to support the Center’s regional footprint through a collaboration with Anglophone Africa Countries, CLEAR AA will continue to gain more exposure and demand is expected to increase further. Due to



implementation delays caused by Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) restrictions on travel and social distancing requirements, and ensuing adaptations of work routines to an online environment, the project has experienced temporary cost overruns, and the anticipated additional financing that will be processed in early 2021 will enable the project to fulfill its commitments as set out in the grant agreement, which are well aligned with the project development objective. The temporary cost overruns are not expected to negatively affect the achievement of the project's development objective (PDO).

- (iii) The PDO is three-fold: (i) strategic clients gain knowledge in, and the motivation to use Monitoring and Evaluation (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.
- (iv) The overall implementation progress is Satisfactory and the progress towards achievement of PDO is Satisfactory. The risk to the achievement of the development objective is Low.

II. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES

- (i) The project closing date will be extended from December 30, 2020 to February 26, 2021. The end disbursement date of the Trustee Fund is June 30, 2021, at the time of submission of this Restructuring Paper. The four-month grace period between the project closing date and the end disbursement date of the grant results in a reduced grace period for the recipient, for which the necessary clearances have been secured. This will be the second extension of the closing date for a total of two months. The project will be seven years old at the time of closing.
- (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 World Bank.
- (iii) Upon the extension of the Trustee Fund, a separate request for restructuring will be submitted to provide additional financing to the project.

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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-16358	Effective	15-Jan-2017	30-Jun-2018, 30-Dec-2020	26-Feb-2021	26-Apr-2021

DISBURSEMENT ESTIMATES

Change in Disbursement Estimates
Yes

Expected Disbursements (In US\$)

Fiscal Year	Annual	Cumulative
2014	0.00	0.00
2015	0.00	0.00
2016	0.00	0.00
2017	0.00	0.00
2018	0.00	0.00
2019	0.00	0.00
2020	0.00	0.00
2021	0.00	0.00

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