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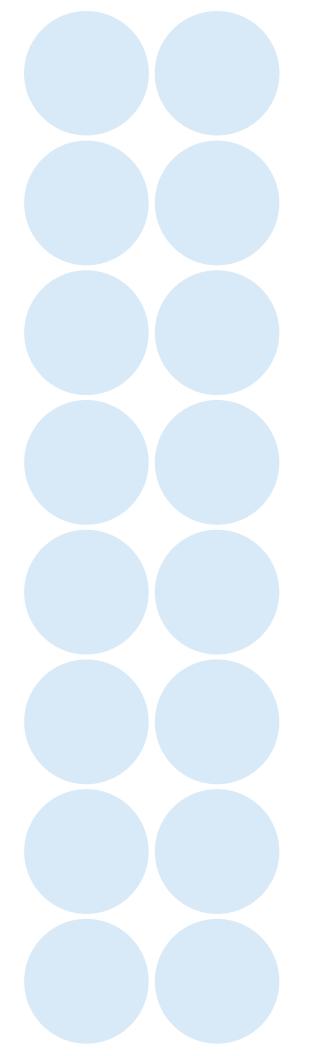
FIRST aims to support economic growth and reduce poverty and income inequality in low- and middle-income countries by promoting robust and diverse financial sectors.

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ABOUT FIRST

FIRST is a multidonor grant facility providing technical assistance to promote financial sector development.

Launched in 2002 by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), the Department for International Development of the United Kingdom (DFID), the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands, the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs of Switzerland (SECO), the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida), and the World Bank, FIRST is guided by a Governing Council composed of senior representatives of its participating donors and managed by a Program Management Unit based at the World Bank's headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Objectives

FIRST focuses on delivering top-quality technical assistance in the short to medium term. It does so quickly, flexibly, and with a minimum of bureaucracy. FIRST has established a distinct role in financial sector development as a niche provider of small technical assistance projects.

One of FIRST's key objectives is to facilitate systematic follow-up to assessments made by the joint World Bank–IMF Financial Sector Assessment Program (FSAP) and to Reports on the Observance of Standards and Codes (ROSCs). In addition, FIRST supports eligible countries in advance of participation in FSAP or implementation of ROSCs as they strengthen their financial systems and implement internationally recognized standards and codes.

Other FIRST priorities include (a) responding to requests for help that are below other donors' minimum thresholds, (b) acting as a catalyst for wider donor intervention in a particular area, and (c) promoting projects that present a strong potential for replication. FIRST is well placed to offer both a regional and multicountry approach.

Activities and implementation

FIRST supports activities and interventions mainly in the public sector, principally by providing technical assistance to policy makers and regulatory bodies. Primary areas of activity are:

- Financial sector reform strategy and policy advice
- Advisory services to strengthen regulatory and supervisory frameworks
- Financial sector market development and institution building
- Risk management
- Capacity building

FIRST-funded technical assistance is carried out primarily by private sector experts. In addition, World Bank and IMF staff may be involved in managing projects and providing policy advice.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants are government agencies, regulatory bodies, policy makers, and—under limited circumstances—quasi-public institutions such as selfregulatory organizations and industry associations.

Countries that receive FIRST assistance must be classified by the World Bank as low- or middle-income countries at the time project proposals receive final approval. Low-income countries are those defined by the World Bank as eligible to receive low- or no-interest loans and grants from the International Development Association (IDA). Middle-income countries are those defined as eligible to receive loans from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD).

Project proposals must be submitted directly to FIRST by eligible applicants. The staff of FIRST, the World Bank, the IMF, and other official multilateral and bilateral development agencies may assist eligible recipients in preparing and submitting proposals.

FROM THE CHAIR OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

On behalf of FIRST's donors, I am pleased to report on FIRST's substantial contributions to financial sector development in many countries. It was in the aftermath of a series of international financial crises that the FIRST Initiative was set up in 2002. Since then its relevance and importance have been tested through years of collective development and yet another major financial crisis. It should be clear to all that an independent technical assistance program that provides rapid responses to emerging problems is even more important today than it was seven years ago when FIRST was established.

This year we welcome Germany's Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and the Ministry of Finance of Luxembourg as new donors to FIRST. Their support further strengthens FIRST and reaffirms the importance that donors attach to financial sector development.

In fiscal 2009, FIRST donors approved a strategy and a monitoring and evaluation (M&E) framework that will guide FIRST's operations until 2012. The donors also approved a program to systematize FIRST's performance evaluations. FIRST's strategy and results framework are closely tied together in the interest of preserving FIRST's strategic focus. FIRST's mission continues to be promoting robust and diverse financial sectors so as to stimulate economic growth and reduce poverty and income inequality. The proven key elements of FIRST's strategy are to manage a technical assistance program that is operationally efficient, results-oriented, and responsive to client demand. The particular focus of that program is FSAP and ROSC follow-up projects that strengthen legal and regulatory systems. FIRST targets low-income countries, particularly in Africa, where development assistance is most needed.

FIRST's donors have been pleased to see the program respond effectively to client demand in the aftermath of the global financial crisis. In the past year, FIRST worked closely with the World Bank in implementing technical assistance projects designed to strengthen the crisis preparedness of client countries. FIRST donors supported those efforts by contributing additional funding for crisis preparedness projects.

FIRST continues to serve as a facility unlike any other. While leveraging donor resources, FIRST maintains its independence and offers clients worldwide direct access to rapid and unbundled funding for technical assistance and consulting expertise. Donors are confident that FIRST will continue to carry out its mission successfully in the years to come.

On behalf of the Governing Council, I would like to express my appreciation for the FIRST Program Management Unit, for the many recipients of technical assistance in client countries, for the World Bank and IMF staff who helped to manage and supervise FIRST projects, for the consultants whose high-level advisory work has been a key factor in FIRST's success, and for the many international organizations and other donor agencies that have partnered with FIRST. We have much to be proud of.

Jean-Luc Bernasconi

State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) and Chair of the Governing Council, Financial Sector Reform and Strengthening Initiative

FROM THE PROGRAM MANAGER

Strengthening legal, regulatory, and supervisory frameworks has been FIRST's core work since its inception in 2002. In the past seven years, FIRST has carried out 301 projects in 80 low- and middle-income countries. Of those projects, 65 were aimed at the harmonization of development efforts among multiple countries—in other words, they were regional in scope. Cumulatively, FIRST has now committed \$56.2 million in support of financial sector development in low- and middle-income countries around the globe.

An important aspect of FIRST's work has been its mandate to follow-up on FSAP and ROSC recommendations. FIRST has been instrumental in designing strategies to implement the recommendations that emerge from these diagnostics and in filling gaps not being addressed by other donors. FIRST's proximity to the World Bank and IMF has allowed a closer coordination and generated substantial growth in its FSAP- and ROSC-related portfolios in recent years. In the past two years alone, FIRST has approved a total of 33 FSAP and ROSC follow-up projects more than half of all FIRST projects approved for these years.

During fiscal 2009, FIRST faced strong demand from all regions, especially Africa. FIRST has increased its project commitments in Africa to 47 percent of all commitments. Of the 33 projects and \$7.85 million in funding approved in this fiscal year, Africa received \$3.70 million for 13 projects. FIRST's partnerships with regional bodies and programs helped expand FIRST's outreach to Africa and contributed to project generation. Emphasizing the importance of Africa, FIRST held its biennial stakeholder meeting in Nairobi, Kenya, in November 2008. That meeting brought together FIRST's donors, a select group of clients, standard setters, and other donor agencies to discuss emerging financial sector development needs and how FIRST might assist in addressing them. The recommendations of the meeting have been incorporated into FIRST's strategy.

FIRST's pipeline of projects is strong, because the need for financial sector development assistance has grown in many client countries since the onset of the global financial crisis. FIRST receives strong support from its donors. That Germany's BMZ and Luxembourg's Ministry of Finance are now donors confirms FIRST's relevance and challenges us to redouble our efforts to achieve success.

The results summarized in this annual report were all achieved during the tenure of David Dellen, who served as FIRST's program manager from October 2007 to December 2009. I wish to acknowledge his work and leadership in carrying out FIRST's mission. Building on his successes, FIRST will continue to seek ways to accomplish its mission of supporting our client countries in their efforts to achieve sustainable development.

Jorge Patiño Program Manager Financial Sector Reform and Strengthening Initiative OPERATIONS REVIEW

PROJECT COMMITMENTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Fiscal year 2009—the period from July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2009—was FIRST's seventh year of operations. During those seven years, FIRST approved 301 projects with a value of \$56.2 million. That amount represents about two-thirds of the contributions received from FIRST's donors from its inception through June 30, 2009.

In fiscal 2009, FIRST approved a total of 33 projects representing commitments of \$7.9 million. The number of project approvals was slightly higher than in the previous year, although the commitment amounts were about the same. FIRST's annual commitments since 2003 are illustrated in Figure 1.

As of June 30, 2009, FIRST's cumulative project disbursements stood at \$44.3 million, of which \$6.7 million was disbursed in fiscal 2009. The disbursement levels in 2008 and 2009 were roughly equivalent, with

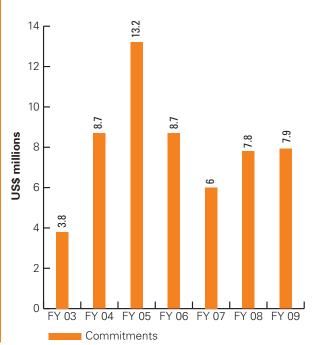
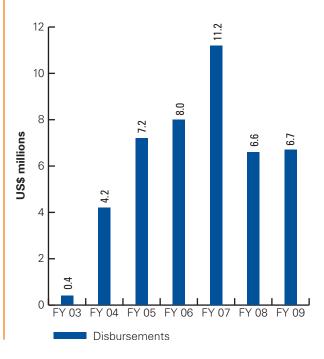


Figure 1. FIRST commitments by fiscal year, FY 2003–FY 2009

\$6.6 million disbursed in 2008. Considered alongside the similar pattern of commitments, operational levels were quite consistent in the past two years. Figure 2 shows FIRST disbursements since inception.

FIRST's donor contributions are allocated to two funds one for low-income countries and the other for middleincome countries. Projects draw from either fund depending on the host country's eligibility for credits from the IDA (low-income) or loans from the IBRD (middleincome). Regional projects that include both low- and middle-income countries draw from both funds and are categorized as "blends." Because FIRST's strategic focus is on low-income countries, and the low-income fund is twice the size of the middle-income fund, these priorities translate into operations. From 2006 onward, yearly commitments have favored low-income countries, as shown in Figure 3. In fiscal 2009, low-income countries received \$5.7 million in commitments, approximately 10 percent more than in the previous year.





More detailed information on FIRST's project approvals and finances is presented in the annexes. Annex I provides a financial overview of the FIRST funds. Annex II summarizes the projects approved in fiscal 2009. Annex III lists the cumulative FIRST portfolio of projects categorized by region, country, functional area, and sector. Annex IV presents a map of low- and middleincome countries as defined by the World Bank.

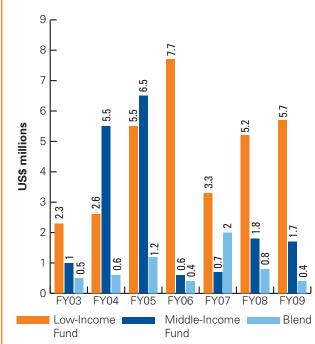


Figure 3. FIRST commitments by fund, FY 2003–FY 2009

REGIONAL FOCUS

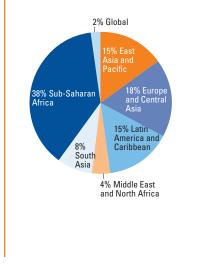
FIRST's strategy singles out Sub-Saharan Africa as the top-priority region for technical assistance because of its concentration of low-income countries and its strong need for financial sector development. Thirtyeight percent of FIRST's cumulative commitments have been for projects in Sub-Saharan Africa (Table 1; Figure 4). In fiscal 2009, the region received \$3.7 million in commitments, almost half of the year's overall commitments and 12 percentage points more than in the previous year.

The region of Europe and Central Asia has historically ranked second to Sub-Saharan Africa as a recipient of FIRST funds, though its commitments have declined over the years relative to other regions, especially East Asia and the Pacific, that have grown in project numbers and commitment values. Consistent with its strategy, FIRST foresees further growth of its portfolio in regions where most of the countries are in the lowincome category. The low-income-country focus also explains the shrinking of the portfolio in some regions such as Latin America and the Caribbean, which contain mostly middle-income countries.

Table 1. FIRST commitments by region, FY 2008, FY 2009, and cumulatively (as of June 30, 2009)

	FY 2008			FY 2009			Cumulative		
Region	Number of projects	Commitments (US dollars)	Share of total commitments (percent)	Number of projects	Commitments (US dollars)	Share of total commitments (percent)	Number of projects	Commitments (US dollars)	Share of total commitments (percent)
East Asia and Pacific	4	1,207,500	16	6	1,307,444	17	34	8,305,206	15
Europe and Central Asia	5	1,728,052	22	6	1,333,620	17	55	10,213,657	18
Latin America and Caribbean	4	1,281,129	16	3	536,310	7	46	8,464,051	15
Middle East and North Africa	1	215,000	3	3	501,000	6	16	2,370,832	4
South Asia	2	642,000	8	2	455,700	6	24	4,231,372	8
Sub-Saharan Africa	13	2,751,250	35	13	3,717,628	47	121	21,491,825	38
Global	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1,082,495	2
Total	29	7,824,931	100	33	7,851,702	100	301	56,159,438	100

Figure 4. FIRST projects by region and as a share of commitments (cumulative to June 30, 2009)



SECTORAL FOCUS

FIRST categorizes its projects by thematic area and sector. Thematic areas correspond to FIRST's main areas of activity: regulatory and supervisory advice; strategic, diagnostic, and analytical work; institutional capacity building and market development; product development; infrastructure building; accounting and auditing; payment and settlement systems; anti–money laundering and combating the financing of terrorism (AML/CFT); corporate governance; and insolvency and consumer protection.

FIRST's sectors are subsectors of the financial sector: banking; insurance; pensions and collective investment schemes; capital markets; nonbank financial institutions (NBFIs); housing finance; microfinance; crisis preparedness; small and medium enterprise (SME) financing; and fiscal, monetary, and exchange rate policy.

The thematic areas and sectors form a matrix, as shown in Table 2. Cumulative commitments across themes and sectors are reported in the cells of the table. Because a substantial number of FIRST projects address issues in more than one sector, the matrix also includes a "multisector" category. Graphic depictions of cumulative commitments by thematic areas and sectors are presented in Figures 5 and 6, respectively.

In fiscal 2009, FIRST approved 12 projects to strengthen regulatory and supervisory frameworks. Those projects, with a value of \$2.9 million, represent approximately 38 percent of the approvals made in fiscal 2009. The thematic area of strategic, diagnostic, and analytical work closely followed, with 10 project approvals valued at \$2.6 million in fiscal 2009. Together, these two areas constituted 70 percent of all project

Table 2. FIRST cumulative commitments by theme and sector (US\$ millions)

Thematic areas	Sectors											
	Banking	Insurance	Pensions and CIS	Capital markets	NBFI	Housing finance	Microfinance	Crisis preparedness	SME financing	Fiscal, monetary, and exchange rate policy	Multisector	Total
Regulatory and supervisory advice	4.45	5.14	2.81	3.46	4.59	0.68	0.84	0.54	0.76		1.20	24.46
Strategic, diagnostic, and analytical work	2.48	0.62	0.82	1.13	0.13	0.90	1.12		0.29		3.13	10.62
Institutional capacity building and market development	1.83	0.60	0.24	0.79		1.43				0.70	0.56	6.16
Product development		0.87		1.64							0.22	2.74
Infrastructure building	1.76	0.15		0.73			0.35				0.17	3.14
Accounting and auditing	0.23			0.28						0.07	3.05	3.63
Payment and settlement systems	1.09										1.20	2.29
AML/CFT	0.61	0.05		0.05	0.05					0.23	0.95	1.96
Corporate governance	0.07										0.64	0.71
Insolvency and consumer protection	0.32	0.14										0.45
Total	12.83	7.58	3.87	8.08	4.78	3.01	2.31	0.54	1.04	1.00	11.12	56.16

Note: AML/CFT = anti-money laundering and combating the financing of terrorism; CIS = collective investment schemes; SME = small and medium enterprise.

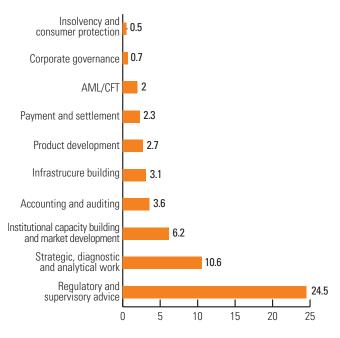
approvals in fiscal 2009, as detailed in Annex II. Most of this technical assistance was directed to the banking sector, primarily in the supervision and strengthening of central banks. FIRST also helped a number of countries develop financial sector development plans in fiscal 2009; these projects are categorized as "multisector" since they cover a range of financial sectors. Other projects were in insurance, housing finance, and crisis preparedness.

Other prominent thematic areas of involvement were institutional capacity building and market development and accounting and auditing. In fiscal 2009, six projects were approved to support institutional capacity building and market development, and four projects to support accounting and auditing—mainly as follow-ups to ROSC recommendations. The commitment values in these thematic areas were \$1.1 and \$0.9 million, respectively.

By sector, a high proportion of FIRST projects have been in banking, capital markets, insurance, and multisector work (Figure 6). In fiscal 2009, the sectoral distribution of project approvals was highly concentrated in three sectors—banking, multisector work, and crisis preparedness, which accounted for 72 percent of all commitments in fiscal 2009. FIRST approved 12 banking projects valued at \$2.7 million, and nine multisector projects valued at \$2.4 million.

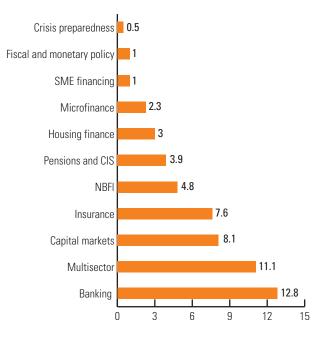
This fiscal year, crisis preparedness emerged as a new category specifically designed to support client countries' preparedness for potential systemic crises—FIRST approved four projects in the new category, with a value of \$0.5 million.

Figure 5. Cumulative FIRST commitments by theme, FY 2003–FY 2009 (in US\$ millions)



 $\textit{Note:} \mathsf{AML/CFT} = \mathsf{anti-money}$ laundering and combating the financing of terrorism.

Figure 6. FIRST cumulative commitments by sector (in US\$ millions)



Note: CIS = collective investment scheme; NBFI = nonbank financial institutions; SME = small and medium enterprise.

WORKING WITH DONORS AND PARTNERS

Consistent with the Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness and with FIRST's charter, FIRST promotes partnerships with stakeholders in financial sector development. Integral to FIRST's mission is the provision of *assistance that complements efforts funded by other donors*. Coordination and cooperation provide opportunities to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of FIRST activities and have always been at the core of FIRST's operations.

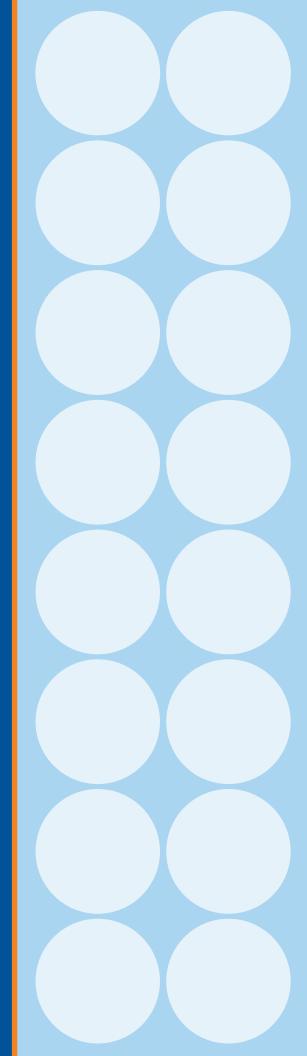
FIRST harmonizes delivery of its technical assistance in multiple ways. FIRST projects are niche assignments; most are modest in size and are carried out in the shortterm. Therefore, FIRST assistance is not intended for large development programs. Rather, it fills development gaps not addressed by other donors. Filling those gaps can be catalytic for the subsequent involvement of other donors. In some cases, FIRST projects may be the small piece of the puzzle that, when in place, enables other reform programs to function more effectively.

An essential part of project design is due diligence. During the due-diligence phase, FIRST projects are shared with other donors active in the target country, with a view to avoiding project duplication, coordinating assistance, and learning from one another's experience. This practice has also helped FIRST to build partnerships over the years founded on mutual belief in the value of financial sector assistance and the unique value that each donor provides.

FIRST is supported by nine donors and partners that are key to financial sector development around the world. They are listed at the end of this report. In 2009 FIRST welcomed Germany's Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and Luxembourg's Ministry of Finance as new donors. The World Bank and IMF have been close partners since FIRST's inception. FIRST works closely with financial sector experts within the regional and sectoral networks of the World Bank in project generation, peer review, supervision, and management. FIRST's involvement in FSAP and ROSC follow-up projects has been substantially enhanced as a result of this working relationship. With the IMF, FIRST has a subaccount established to allow the IMF to manage FIRST projects. Under this arrangement, 15 percent of FIRST's net donor contributions is allocated to IMF projects, supporting project generation, supervision, and management, and expanding the range of assistance that can be extended to clients.

Standards setters are also important partners of FIRST. In particular, the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS) and the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO) have guided FIRST projects in the implementation of core principles and standards in their respective areas. FIRST has also established working relationships and partnerships with regional bodies, development banks, and other donor programs. Among those that have led to active project coordination and generation are: the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the Consultative Group to Assist the Poor (CGAP), the Making Finance Work for Africa Secretariat, the Southern African Development Community (SADC), the Eastern and Southern African Banking Supervisors Group (ESAF), the Economic and Monetary Community of Central Africa (CEMAC), the East African Securities Regulatory Authorities (EASRA), the Centre for Latin American Monetary Studies (CEMLA), the Toronto Centre, the Eastern and Southern African Anti–Money Laundering Group (ESAAMLG), and the Macroeconomic and Financial Management Institute of Eastern and Southern Africa (MEFMI).





Africa has its share of trade risks, both political and credit-related. One way for foreign investors and African traders to control those risks is through the insurance offered by the African Trade Insurance Agency (ATI). Based in Nairobi, ATI is Africa's only multilateral credit and political risk insurer. It is owned by 14 African states and six additional members that include corporate insurers, regional organizations, and development banks.

ATI's risk professionals (pictured in the accompanying photo) are in the business of assessing customers' risks and underwriting them. But when it came to assessing its own corporate risks and establishing an enterprise risk management (ERM) program, ATI needed outside help. Because ERM is fast becoming a global credit-rating requirement for financial institutions, FIRST selected ATI for a pilot project to observe how an ERM framework and process might work in the African context—and whether the exercise would strengthen ATI. Beginning in September 2008, ATI embarked on the eight-step process to implement the ERM integrated framework established by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), an international committee that promulgates business and accounting standards and guidelines. Under the disciplined guidance of ATI's CEO, Peter Jones, the entire organization—from the interns to the audit committee devoted itself to a meticulous implementation of the COSO process, often working weekends. FIRST Initiative staff observed the process on-site, watching ATI's staff walk the halls discussing corporate risk tolerance, risk mapping, event likelihoods, and key risk indicators.

ATI's risk professionals were up to the task, while still growing their business. This past August, the up-andrunning ERM program was rolled out to the ATI's board of directors and the World Bank in a training workshop.

Building on the success of the ATI pilot, FIRST is continuing its support of risk management in other African development finance institutions.

"The ERM project compelled all of us at ATI to examine our organization and its risks with discipline and candor. It was an enlightening process. We are very appreciative of the active and encouraging support of FIRST Initiative. Through our integrated risk management program, ATI staff now have a clear picture of the key risks that stand between us and our goals, and we have a detailed roadmap to help control these threats to our success. Risk management is now embedded in our culture, and we are stronger for it."

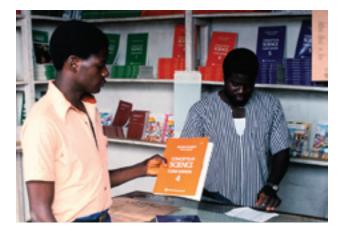
> Ivan Alipi, CFO, African Trade Insurance Agency



After a protracted conflict, revitalization of the financial sector was a clear priority for the postwar reconstruction of the Liberian economy. The value of the country's financial sector, at one time a regional hub, had been reduced to little more than \$300 million at the end of 2008. With only six banks (all foreign-owned) and limited infrastructure, the need for substantial capacity building and sector strengthening were obvious.

From that low point, the Liberian financial sector is now rebounding, with credit to the private sector doubling in the past two years, to reach 9 percent of GDP. The importance of private sector lending by banks is all the more important given Liberia's unusual dual-currency system and the absence of a market in government debt. Under those circumstances, credit to the private sector constituted nearly 95 percent of total bank lending at the end of 2008.

Given a clear and pressing need for reform, the Liberian authorities asked the World Bank and FIRST Initiative to provide a diagnostic report that would provide some of the analysis that might normally be found in an FSAP assessment. The objective of the diagnostic was to quickly assist authorities in establishing the current position of the financial sector in Liberia, identifying its medium- and long-term financial needs, and determining the priority areas for reform to be addressed in a more comprehensive financial sector revitalization strategy, which the government intends to undertake. The Liberian authorities' agenda for financial sector reform includes market deepening, developing money market instruments, improving the payment system, strengthening the banking sector (including a credit bureau), developing the insurance sector, and building the capacity of the central bank. According to the Central Bank of Liberia, "as Liberia transitions from postconflict recovery to mainstream development, improving the depth and reach of our financial sector is becoming of ever increasing importance. The FIRST consultant's report highlights the main issues and suggested development strategy which the Central Bank of Liberia considers very useful for the ongoing reform of the financial sector in Liberia."



DEVELOPMENT OF THE DAMASCUS SECURITIES EXCHANGE

Tuesday, March 10, 2009, saw the official opening of the Damascus Securities Exchange (DSE) by Minister of Finance Dr. Muhammad Al-Hussein. The launch was a high priority for the Government of Syria and a step toward a more market-based economy. The new exchange is expected to stimulate the development of



the private sector in Syria and so contribute to overall economic growth. Other anticipated benefits are the expansion of the range of funding sources available to the private sector, so essential in the present global economic climate, and the diversification of investment opportunities for institutional and retail investors.

The opening ceremony marked the conclusion of a very successful project by FIRST to provide assistance in the development and launch of the DSE. The FIRST project had three parts:

- Providing technical advisory services in managing the project and the launch
- Assisting the DSE in drafting exchange rules
- Advising the DSE board on the selection and implementation of the technology to be used for trading, clearing, settlement, depository, and registration of securities.

With FIRST's help, a project plan was prepared. Progress was monitored against the plan and regularly reported to the DSE board. Remedial action was necessary on a few occasions, and the board reacted positively to suggestions from the consultant. FIRST also helped in selecting staff, transferring knowledge, and building capacity.

A complete set of exchange rules was drafted based on best practices in the regulation of international securities markets. Those rules were tailored to meet the conditions of the local market, in particular to comply with regulations issued by the Syrian Commission on Financial Markets and Securities (the regulator of the DSE). The draft rules were then discussed with the regulator and formally implemented.

A specification of systems requirements was prepared and issued to five vendors in the form of a request for information. Three vendors responded. FIRST's consultant helped the DSE evaluate their proposals, visiting exchanges to assess the systems in operation and preparing an evaluation report. The consultant then assisted in preparing and negotiating the implementation and maintenance contracts with the chosen vendor. Assistance was also provided in specifying modifications to the system, including the development of a market surveillance and alerts-management system, and in systems testing and implementation. During the prelaunch market trials, and during and after the launch, the consultant was on hand to provide mentoring and support to the DSE.

The DSE launched with four brokerage firms and six listed securities. Expectations were that by the end of the first year there would be 10 brokerage firms and 15 listed securities. Within five months of the launch the exchange had 11 listed securities, six brokerage firms, and an application from one more in the pipeline.

LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC: BUILDING THE LEGAL AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

Over the past six years, FIRST has funded three related projects in the Lao People's Democratic Republic in cooperation with the Asian Development Bank (ADB). The first project, begun in 2003, helped the government and the country's central bank to develop a national policy statement and action plan for rural microfinance and to draft legislation for deposit-taking and non-deposittaking microfinance institutions. The Prime Minister's Office approved the policy statement in November 2003, and the central bank issued new microfinance regulations in June 2005. The second project surveyed rural microfinance to provide stakeholders with detailed information to support implementation of an action plan. The survey was jointly published by the ADB, the ADB Institute, and FIRST in December 2006.

In 2006 FIRST launched a third project to help build a sound prudential regulatory and supervisory environment for microfinance institutions. With the microfinance regulations issued, the central bank needed to establish procedures and guidelines for registering credit-only institutions, assessing licensing applications, and issuing deposit-taking licenses. Lacking regulatory experience in the microfinance sector, the central bank called on FIRST to help implement the 2005 microfinance regulatory regime and build capacity to supervise microfinance institutions.

FIRST worked with the central bank and stakeholders to catalyze the formation of a microfinance working group as a forum for review of the enabling environment and implementation progress. With FIRST support, three stakeholder workshops were held at six-month intervals. Additional regulations were prepared and approved for savings and credit unions. Amendments to existing microfinance regulations were made in response to stakeholder feedback. The microfinance working group was formally constituted by its members and now serves as the main forum for microfinance industry issues in the Lao PDR.

FIRST consultants working with the central bank developed off-site monitoring and on-site supervision policies and procedures for savings and credit unions and for deposit-taking microfinance institutions. Manuals, guidelines, and a chart of accounts were completed and approved by the central bank. Classroom and practical training materials were developed to cover licensing, off-site monitoring, and on-site supervision. The FIRST consultants helped the central bank field-test and refine the procedures. Microfinance supervision staff at the central bank received classroom and on-thejob training, working with three licensed microfinance institutions and three savings and credit unions.

FIRST's sustained support for the regulation and supervision of rural microfinance activities in the Lao PDR has resulted in improvements that have simplified the process of establishing a microfinance institution in the country. The number of formal institutions licensed by the central bank has grown from three in 2004 to sixteen in June 2009 and interest in investing in the sector continues to grow.

THE FINANCIAL SECTOR CRISIS PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

Since November 2008, FIRST has been offering technical assistance to develop and strengthen intra- and interagency contingency plans and their underlying legal framework. That effort helps national supervisory agencies, central banks, deposit insurers, and ministries of finance ready themselves to weather a crisis. FIRST has also been funding crisis-simulation exercises that identify gaps and weaknesses in legal frameworks, while enhancing supervisory capacity. Crisis-simulation exercises prepare authorities and senior public servants to deal more effectively with financial distress and to diagnose potential pitfalls in existing crisis-management plans and financial laws and regulations. Regularly performed by only a handful of developed economies until recently, crisis-simulation exercises are now starting to be deployed in numerous developing countries.

In offering these two new product lines, FIRST has been providing follow-up assistance that addresses a wide range of issues—among them early warning systems, plans for prompt corrective action, regimes to aid troubled or failing banks, policies on the provision of emergency liquidity, arrangements to protect depositors and investors, and communications strategies for use during crises. The World Bank's Financial Systems Department has been supporting FIRST by providing technical expertise. Also, in response to the limited supply of consultancy services in this area, the World Bank has developed its own capacity to design and deliver crisis-simulation exercises using FIRST funding.

In addition to technical assistance projects, FIRST has contributed funding to two regional crisis preparedness workshops—one in Pretoria and one in Montevideo partly funded by the World Bank and others to raise awareness among financial sector authorities about dealing with distress and to discuss the essential elements of the authorities' capacity to respond effectively to problems in financial institutions and markets.



Case study: Morocco's crisis preparedness project

One of FIRST's projects in the area of crisis preparedness took place in Morocco. Begun in December 2008 and completed in May 2009, the project assisted Morocco's financial sector authorities—including the central bank, the deposit insurer, and the ministry of finance—in developing a crisis protocol that enhances the government's capacity to deal with financial distress or a potential systemic crisis.

The crisis protocol outlined the need to increase the authorities' ability to: (a) identify the data that would be required in a crisis and the methodology for collecting and disseminating those data; (b) set clear objectives for the outcomes that the authorities expect from their management of the crisis; (c) erect an assessment framework that includes a systematic approach for determining the systemic impact of a shock on financial stability; (d) define criteria for the choice of measures to be taken to resolve a crisis; and (e) manage external communications.

Furthermore, the crisis protocol helped the authorities to explore the adequacy of their current policies and procedures and to increase their ability to identify areas where improvements are needed. The protocol guided them in reviewing disclosure requirements, defining criteria for emergency liquidity assistance, setting objectives for optimal bank resolution, and designing a framework for cost/benefit analysis to support those objectives.

FIRST's technical and financial assistance allowed us to identify procedures and arrangements that must be developed or improved in order to strengthen coordination among the authorities in the event of a systemic crisis. At the end of the crisis simulation, an action plan was delivered identifying key areas that should be developed to enhance our crisismanagement framework.

Abderrahim Bouazza, Head of Banking Supervision Department, Bank Al-Maghrib

LOOKING AHEAD

Donors have set FIRST's mandate through 2012, the last year of FIRST's second phase of operations (2007–12). That phase has been marked by several donor-guided initiatives aimed at tightening the program's focus—among them (a) setting up the program as a World Bank–administered trust fund; (b) developing a strategy for the second phase; (c) adopting a monitoring and evaluation framework and program; and (d) implementing a knowledge management program to learn and disseminate lessons from projects. In fiscal 2009, all these important elements were refined and fully operationalized.

FIRST's strategy is clear, and the program is equipped with good policies, guidelines, and procedures, as well as capable staff to deliver its mission. FIRST will continue to reach out to clients and provide quick, demanddriven, and flexible technical assistance of the highest quality to support robust, growth-oriented financial systems around the world. FIRST's key priorities will continue to be FSAP and ROSC follow-up projects; lowincome-country assistance; and stronger legal, regulatory, and supervisory frameworks. While FIRST remains open to assisting both low- and middle-income countries in all regions, Sub-Saharan Africa is its focal region. FIRST will continue to reach out to current and potential clients in South Asia and East Asia and Pacific. FIRST also will pay particular attention to crisis prevention in Latin America, Middle East, Europe and Central Asia, and other regions.

FIRST invites other donor organizations to join the program. Financial sector development is the necessary foundation for most development efforts, and, as demonstrated by the recent crisis, financial distress can set development back many years. Donor support is imperative in this area, and FIRST is a proven mechanism for channeling aid into assistance that delivers results. As the program matures, FIRST will continue to be guided by its donors' goals, changes in its clients' needs, lessons distilled from project experience, and formal program evaluations. All of these will help FIRST maintain its focus, raise its operational efficiency, and ensure the effectiveness of its technical assistance.



SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS

Financial overview

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, FIRST received cash contributions totaling \$9.26 million.

In accordance with the Phase II Administration Agreements between the World Bank and FIRST donors, an administration fee of \$0.46 million was deducted from the Phase II contributions paid into the Trust Fund during the year.

FIRST's disbursements for technical assistance totaled \$5.44 million during the year ending June 30, 2009. During the same period, FIRST also disbursed \$1.64 million through the IMF subaccount for IMFexecuted activities.

The Program Management Unit incurred a total of \$2.03 million in administrative costs during the year.

As of June 30, 2009, the undisbursed cash balance of the FIRST trust fund was \$32.17 million.

	as of 6/30/09	as of 6/30/08
Contributions (note 2)		
Canada	13,831,794	12,188,780
Netherlands	10,692,197	9,399,797
Sweden	3,947,578	2,626,714
Switzerland	18,865,119	13,865,198
United Kingdom	37,663,193	37,663,193
Total contributions	84,999,881	75,743,682
Investment income (note 3)	7,290,351	6,150,403
Total receipts	92,290,233	81,894,085
Disbursements (note 4)	41,942,468	36,499,480
IMF subaccount (note 5)	7,865,339	6,224,726
Administration fees (note 6)	2,329,833	1,867,023
Coordination Unit and Steering Committee expenses	3,774,790	3,782,458
Program Management Unit expenses	4,211,848	2,182,483
Total disbursements	60,124,279	50,556,171
Excess of receipts over disbursements	32,165,954	31,337,914
Fund balance		
Beginning of period	31,337,914	34,805,845
Movement during year ending June 30, 2009	828,040	(3,467,931)
End period	32,165,954	31,337,914
Share in pooled cash and investments	32,165,954	31,337,914

Combined Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements, and Fund Balance (expressed in U.S. dollars)

Note 1. Basis of accounting

The accompanying financial statement was prepared on the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting — modified to record the share in pooled cash and investments at fair value (modified cash basis of accounting). Accordingly, investment income, net includes realized and unrealized investment income (loss).

The modified cash basis of accounting is a comprehensive basis of accounting that builds on the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (U.S. GAAP) and the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). Receipts, with the exception of net investment income as described above, are recorded when collected (i.e., when credited to the Trust Fund) rather than when pledged/earned, and disbursements are recorded when paid (i.e., when debited from the Trust Fund).

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) is an international organization that conducts its operations in the currencies of all of its members.

Contributions and disbursements in currencies other than the reporting currency of U.S. dollars, if applicable, are translated at the rates of exchange on the transaction date. Transaction gains or losses, if any on disbursements, are borne by the IBRD.

Amounts paid into the Trust Fund, but not yet disbursed, are managed by the IBRD as Trustee which maintains an investment portfolio (the Pool) for all of the trust funds administered by the entities of the World Bank Group. The IBRD maintains all Trust Fund assets separate and apart from the funds of the World Bank Group.

Note 2. Contributions

Conversions of contributions received in various currencies into U.S dollars are initiated by the IBRD (the Bank) upon the later of receipt of funds or receipt of the signed and countersigned administration agreement. The amounts committed by the donors and received by the Bank for the period from November 22, 2002 (date of inception) through June 30, 2009 are as follows:

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84,999,881

Low-income funds					
Donor	Amounts com	mitted	Amounts rec	eived	Contributions received (converted to US\$)
PHASE I					
Netherlands	Euros	6,660,000	Euros	7,816,897	7,816,897
Sweden	SKr	20,000,000	SKr	20,000,000	2,626,714
Switzerland	SwF	8,400,000	SwF	8,400,000	6,515,392
United Kingdom	GBP	11,900,000	GBP	10,827,756	18,782,815
					35,741,818
PHASE II					
Canada	CDN	5,000,000	CDN	3,000,000	2,748,892
Sweden	SKr	40,000,000	SKr	10,000,000	1,320,864
Switzerland	US\$	3,000,000	US\$	2,999,973	2,999,973
Netherlands	Euros	5,000,000	Euros	2,000,000	2,875,300
United Kingdom	GBP	5,500,000	GBP	5,500,000	10,830,600
					20,775,630
Total contributions to low-	income fund				56,517,448

Middle-income funds					
Donor	Amounts committed		Amounts rece	eived	Contributions received (converted to US\$)
PHASE I					
Canada	CDN	12,000,000	CDN	7,999,960	5,668,221
			US\$	2,665,788	2,665,788
Switzerland	SwF	5,600,000	SwF	5,600,000	4,349,806
United Kingdom	GBP	5,100,000	GBP	4,640,467	8,049,778
					20,733,593
PHASE II					
Canada	CDN	5,000,000	CDN	3,000,000	2,748,892
Switzerland	US\$	7,000,000	US\$	4,999,948	4,999,948
					7,748,840

Total contributions to middle-income fund

Combined Phase I and Phase II contributions

Note 3. Investment income, net

The Pool is divided into subportfolios to which allocations are made based on fund-specific investment horizons, risk tolerances, and other eligibility requirements for trust funds with common characteristics as determined by the IBRD. Generally, the Pool is invested in liquid financial instruments such as money market instruments, government and agency obligations, mortgage-backed securities and other high-grade bonds. The Pool may also include securities pledged as collateral under repurchase agreements with other counterparties and receivables from resale agreements for which it has accepted collateral. Additionally, the Pool also includes derivative contracts such as currency forward contracts, plain vanilla swaps, and callable swaps linked to interest rates, foreign exchange rates, and equity indices.

The Pool is a trading portfolio and is reported at fair value, including the derivative contracts for which gains or losses are included in net investment income. Share in pooled cash and investments represents the Trust Fund's allocated share of the Pool's fair value at the end of the reporting period.

Net investment income consists of the Trust Fund's allocated share of interest income earned by the Pool, realized gains or losses from sales of securities, and unrealized gains or losses resulting from recording the assets held by the Pool at fair value. Net investment income in the amount of \$1,139,787 and \$7,290,190 was credited to the Trust Fund during the year ended June 30, 2009 and for the period from November 22, 2002 (date of inception) to June 30, 2009, respectively.

Note 4. Disbursements

During Phase I, the Bank acted in its capacity as fiscal agent, disbursing amounts from the Trust Fund to a disbursement bank account for payments to technical assistance providers. The Phase I administrative arrangements also provided for the Bank to make contributions to FIRST Initiative under the Development Grant Facility (DGF). As of June 30, 2009, contributions in the amount of \$1,210,000 have been made through the DGF window and have been fully disbursed on projects. The DGF contributions have been excluded from the disbursements in this statement as they were paid directly to the Phase I Management Unit and have been fully accounted for. From March 1, 2007, all payments to technical assistance providers are being disbursed directly from the Bank and are made in accordance with the Bank's policies and procedures. Disbursements also include Bank and IMF staff time and travel costs. During the year ended June 30, 2009, direct project disbursements from the trust fund were \$5,445,659.

The cumulative disbursements as of June 30, 2009 were adjusted for a refund of \$2,350 to the Trust Fund. This refund was a result of the closure of the Royal Bank of Scotland bank account, which had been held in the name of Denton Wilde Sapte, FIRST's paying agent during Phase I.

Note 5. IMF subaccount

The Phase II administrative arrangements provide that the Bank disburses to the IMF subaccount 15 percent of net paid-in contributions for IMF-executed activities. During the year ending June 30, 2009, FIRST disbursed \$1,640,613 to the IMF.

Note 6. Administration fees

During Phase I, to defray costs incurred for administration, supervision, and oversight of the Trust Fund, the Bank retained from the investment income received by the Fund an amount equal to 1.6 percent of the contribution amount. All remaining income was credited to the Trust Fund.

During Phase II, in accordance with its expanded role and the administration agreements, the Bank retains 5 percent of contributions for the administration of the Trust Fund. Administrative fees in the amount of \$462,810 and \$2,329,833 were deducted by the Bank during the year ending June 30, 2009 and from November 22, 2002 (date of inception) to June 30, 2009, respectively.

Projects approved in fiscal 2009

Country	Project title	Activity description	Amount (in US\$)
		SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	
Burkina Faso	Advice on the Financial Sector Strategy	Assisting the National Financial Sector Reform Working Group in addressing the issues and recommendations identified by the FSAP to help the authorities formulate a national strategy for financial sector development.	390,000
Burundi	Central Bank Information Management Strengthening	Supporting the Central Bank of Burundi in its efforts to upgrade the basic information technology infrastructure; develop new information-processing applications; and ensure continuity, reliability, and integrity of information management.	145,000
Congo, Democratic Republic of	Central Bank Modernization	Supporting the Central Bank of Congo in efforts to carry out reforms, specifically to overhaul its organizational structure and functioning in order to consolidate its gains in foreign exchange and monetary operations.	450,644
Kenya	Shelter Afrique Capacity Building for Housing Finance	Assisting Shelter Afrique in the development and implementation of a risk-management framework to establish and adopt a robust method for identifying, assessing, analyzing, and measuring key business risks in its business activities.	225,000
Lesotho	Developing NBFI Regulation and Supervision	Developing a comprehensive policy framework as well as advising on the regulation and supervision of NBFIs.	376,000
Liberia	Revitalizing Financial Services	Supporting the preparation of a road map for financial sector revitalization to provide an initial structure for supporting the reform process.	71,958
	Banking Supervision Reform	Assisting the Central Bank of Liberia in deepening banking supervision reform, revising the current framework for bank restructuring and resolution, and adopting a more formal- ized approach to implementation of that framework.	245,660
Malawi	Financial Sector Development Strategy	Providing assistance to the Malawian authorities to help prepare a financial sector development strategy that will include a road map of actions and measures that will contribute to a sound, efficient, and inclusive financial sector.	245,000
Uganda	Expanding Access to Housing Finance	Expanding low-income households' access to housing finance by establishing the prerequisite financial and legal infrastructure to support the growth and expansion of the primary mortgage market.	247,000
Uganda and Tanzania	Financial Stability Assessment	Assisting the authorities in building capacity at the central banks of the two countries to undertake financial stability analysis and reporting.	538,558
Regional projects	Strengthening Payment Systems Phase II	Achieving wide dissemination of FSAP recommendations and the elaboration of a follow-up action plan with buy-in from key stakeholders through attendance at the 2008 CEMAC Conference.	373,808
	SADC Regional Crisis Preparedness Workshop	Supporting a regional crisis preparedness workshop in Pretoria (March 16–19, 2009) to raise awareness of crisis preparedness tools and the essential components of the authorities' capacity to respond effectively to problems in financial institutions and markets.	55,000

Country	Project title	Activity description	Amount (in US\$)
		EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC	
Indonesia	Expanding Access to Islamic Finance for SMEs	Analyzing the current status of Islamic financial services in Indonesia and developing a strategy for expanding access for underserved markets, with particular focus on SMEs (as defined by Indonesian standards) and Islamic finance products.	285,000
Papua New Guinea	Enhancing Statistical Analysis and Public Reporting in the Insurance Sector	Strengthening the ability of the insurance commissioner to oversee the sector more efficiently and establishing a channel for regular flow of sectoral information to help insurance companies manage their businesses better through access to comparative statistics.	95,000
Tonga	Improving Central Bank's Supervision Capacity	Strengthening the supervisory capacity and mandate of the National Reserve Bank through contingency planning, implementation of the Financial Institutions Act, enhancing credit risk supervision, strengthening supervision of foreign exchange dealers, and building the capacity of supervisors.	202,722
Thailand	Enhancing Securities Exchange Commission Audit Capacity	Providing assistance for the development of the Securities Exchange Commission's capacity to monitor and enforce the application of high-quality accounting and auditing standards in the context of listed companies' financial reporting.	275,000
Vietnam	Strengthening Central Bank Credit Information Center	Strengthening the public credit registry for the provision of more accurate and timely credit information to users, and defining the role and responsibilities of the Credit Information Center.	247,000
Regional project	Strengthening Liquidity Management Systems in Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands	Strengthening the liquidity management framework and improving the capacity of the staff of the Bank of Papua New Guinea and the Central Bank of Solomon Islands to analyze and operationalize links between liquidity management and financial stability.	202,722
Total for region			1,333,620

EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA

Total for region			1,333,620
Tajikistan	Post-FSAP Legal and Regulatory Reform and Strategy Development	Advising to amend existing and/or prepare new financial sector laws and regulations covering central bank governance, banking secrecy, licensing, consolidated supervision, remedial action, loan classification, payment systems, secured lending, and deposit insurance.	598,950
Montenegro	Country Action Plan for Accounting and Auditing	Supporting Montenegro in developing and adopting an optimal country strategy and ac- tion plan for accounting and auditing to enhance the quality of corporate sector financial reporting.	207,400
	Retail Payments Systems	Assisting the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic to promote access to bank accounts by the general population, and to design and implement statistics and monitoring tools to better manage and oversee the development of noncash payment and risks attached to the use of electronic systems and payment.	135,148
Kyrgyz Republic	Preprivatization Advice for Aiyl Bank	Providing assistance on the transparent privatization of Aiyl Bank to a financial sector strategic investor, in accordance with international best practices and under terms that guarantee the maintenance of Aiyl Bank's rural focus following privatization.	124,000
Kazakhstan	Improving Banking Supervision (Stress Testing)	Developing the methodology for a financial sector early warning system and stress test- ing as part of a shift to risk-based supervision.	192,422
Georgia	Strengthening Financial Sector Supervision	Assisting the Georgian Financial Supervisory Agency with the development of supervi- sory criteria for banks' and NBFIs' investments and/or acquisitions.	75,700

Country	Project title	Activity description	Amount (in US\$)
		LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	
El Salvador	Improving Corporate Financial Reporting	Providing effective implementation of international financial reporting standards through institutional strengthening of the accounting oversight and standard-setting body (CPVCPA), and enhancing its ability to conduct oversight activities.	246,31
Guatemala	Financial Crisis Preparedness and Financial Projection	Testing the response of the three government agencies (the Central Bank, the Superintendency of Banks, and the Ministry of Finance) to the emergence of systemic failures, and ascertaining the adequacy of existing laws, regulations, policies, and procedures for dealing with financial crises.	77,000
Peru	Financial Crisis Simulation Program	Providing institutional capacity building for key financial authorities that would respond to a systemic financial crisis: the Superintendency of Banking, administrators of insurance companies and private pension funds, the Central Bank, the deposit insurance agency, and the Ministry of Finance.	213,000
Total for region			536,310
		MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA	
Morocco	Financial Crisis Simulation Program	Testing the response of government agencies to the emergence of systemic failures, and ascertaining the adequacy of existing laws, regulations, policies, and procedures for dealing with financial crises.	197,000
West Bank and Gaza	Private Pension Regulatory Capacity Building	Assisting in establishing the necessary regulatory framework to make private pension products available to the population and forestall the emergence of an unregulated pension industry.	248,000
	Establishment of a Deposit Insurance Scheme	Assisting the Palestine monetary authority and the Central Bank and supervisory author- ity to conduct a feasibility study to establish a deposits insurance scheme.	56,000
Total for region			501,000
		SOUTH ASIA	
Sri Lanka	Strengthening Accounting and Payment Systems	Providing a smooth transition from the existing time-bound loan classification and provisioning standards to a more rigorous asset valuation system.	210,000
	Risk-Sensitive Capital Rule for Insurance Supervision	Developing and supporting the implementation of a risk-sensitive minimum capital regime for the insurance sector to enhance the capacity of insurance companies and the supervisory authorities and provide a framework for maintenance of the regulatory minimum capital regime.	245,700
Total for region			455,700

Grand total	7,851,702
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Cumulative project commitments and disbursements by regional and country

Country/Region	Project title	Thematic area	Sector	Commitments (in US\$)	Disbursements (in US\$)	Fiscal year of approval
	SI	JB-SAHARAN AFRICA	L			
Angola	Project Formulation for NBFI Sector Technical Assistance	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	NBFI	12,710	12,710	2005
	Development of NBFI Regulatory and Supervisory Frameworks	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	NBFI	108,000	108,000	2007
Botswana	NBFI Supervision and Strategy	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	NBFI	148,608	148,608	2005
	Updating Accounting and Auditing Legislation	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	40,468	40,468	2007
	Technical Assistance for Accounting Oversight Board	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	88,000	0	2008
Burkina Faso	Advice on the Financial Sector Strategy	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Multisector	390,000	27,599	2009
Burundi	Central Bank Strengthening	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	185,140	185,140	2007
	Central Bank Information Management Strengthening	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Banking	145,000	77,590	2009
Cameroon	Financial Markets Commission Capacity Building	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Capital Markets	98,264	98,264	2003
Congo, Democratic Republic of	Central Bank Modernization	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	450,644	185,851	2009
Djibouti	Action Plan for Strengthening SME Financing Mechanisms	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	SME Financing	188,000	188,000	2007
The Gambia	Development and Implementation of Central Bank Book Entry System	Payment and Settlements	Banking	84,509	84,509	2005
Ghana	Rural Bank Restructuring	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Banking	71,042	71,042	2003
	Payments Systems Project Design for the Millennium Challenge Corporation	Payment and Settlements	Multisector	44,550	44,550	2006

Country/Region	Project title	Thematic area	Sector	Commitments (in US\$)	Disbursements (in US\$)	Fiscal year of approval
	SUB-SA	HARAN AFRICA, con	tinued			
Guinea	Development of a Microfinance Regulatory and Supervisory Framework	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Microfinance	239,933	239,933	2006
	Fostering Foreign Exchange Market Development	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Banking	129,014	129,014	2006
	Leasing Law	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	114,940	114,940	2007
Kenya	Strategy for Development Finance and Increasing Access to Financial Services	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Microfinance	244,872	244,872	2004
	Reform of the Legal and Institutional Framework for Asset Financing	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	302,905	302,905	2005
	Development of Audit Quality Review Program	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	76,646	76,646	2005
	Strengthening Central Bank Business Processes	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Fiscal, Monetary, and Exchange Rate Policy	466,008	466,008	2005
	Development of Mortality and Morbidity Tables	Product Development	Insurance	151,960	151,960	2005
	Shelter Afrique Capacity Building for Housing Finance	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Housing Finance	225,000	0	2009
Lesotho	Insurance Sector Strengthening	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	171,249	171,249	2003
	Automated Clearing House Systems Project Design for Millennium Challenge Corporation	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	42,189	42,189	2006
	Developing NBFI Regulation and Supervision	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	NBFI	376,000	5,940	2009
Liberia	Revitalizing Financial Services	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Multisector	71,958	71,958	2009
	Banking Supervision Reform	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	245,660	0	2009
Madagascar	Developing a Microfinance Credit Information Bureau	Infrastructure Building	Microfinance	350,000	96,912	2006
	Project Design for Assistance on Modernization and Reform of the Private Sector Pension Fund	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Pensions and CIS	5,197	5,197	2006
	Modernization and Reform of the Private Sector Pension Fund	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Pensions and CIS	341,437	341,437	2007
	Financial Sector Strategy and Development Plan	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	245,000	244,574	2008

Country/Region	Project title	Thematic area	Sector	Commitments (in US\$)	Disbursements (in US\$)	Fisca year o approva
	SUB-S/	AHARAN AFRICA, cor	ntinued			
Malawi	Strengthening NBFI Framework and Advice on Pension Reform	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	NBFI	112,008	112,008	2005
	Evaluation of Central Bank Book Entry System	Payment and Settlements	Banking	13,934	13,934	200
	Strengthening NBFI Framework and Advice on Pension Reform	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Pensions and CIS	254,710	254,710	200
	Enhancement of Central Bank Book Entry System	Payment and Settlements	Banking	86,160	86,160	200
	Developing Country Action Plan for ROSC Accounting and Auditing	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	86,000	54,121	200
	Financial Sector Development Strategy	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	245,000	45,051	2009
Mali	Strategy for Introducing Workers' Hazard, Health Insurance, and Funded Pillar for Public Pensions	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	282,058	282,058	2006
Mauritania	Strengthening Microfinance Supervision	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Microfinance	21,972	21,972	200
Mauritius	Preparation of a Code of Corporate Governance	Corporate Governance	Multisector	117,000	117,000	200
	Implementation of Effective AML/CFT Measures	AML/CFT	Banking	127,168	127,168	2004
	Strengthening Securities and Listing Regulations	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	179,789	179,789	2004
	Establishing Second-Tier Securities Market and Restructuring Over-the-Counter Market	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Capital Markets	158,502	158,502	200
	Establishing a Financial Reporting Council	Infrastructure Building	Multisector	167,536	167,536	200
	Assistance with Drafting Securities Legislation	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	48,128	48,128	200
	Development of Selected Nonbank Financial Regulations	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	377,712	377,712	200
	Establishment of the Mauritius Institute of Directors	Corporate Governance	Multisector	33,800	33,800	2006
	Central Bank Supervision Strengthening	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	270,296	179,400	2008
Namibia	Namibia Financial Institutions Supervisory Authority (NAMFISA): Development of Capacity Building Strategy	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Capital Markets	113,128	113,128	2004
	Assessing Viability of Second-Tier Banking	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	55,977	55,977	200
Nigeria	Financial Systems Strategy 2020	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	194,744	194,744	200
	Financial Sector Strategy 2020—Phase II	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	632,500	587,302	2008

Country/Region	Project title	Thematic area	Sector	Commitments (in US\$)	Disbursements (in US\$)	Fiscal year of approval
	SUB-S/	AHARAN AFRICA, con	tinued			
Rwanda	Developing a Microfinance Credit Information Bureau	Infrastructure Building	Banking	221,061	221,061	2004
	Linking Payment Systems for Banks and Service Providers	Payment and Settlements	Multisector	397,000	304,812	2005
	Advice on Financial Sector Development Plan	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	657,138	657,138	2006
	Strengthening Supervisory Capacity of the Insurance Commission	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	204,530	204,530	2006
	Financial Sector Development Program II	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	414,000	285,521	2008
Sierra Leone	Long-Term Capital Market Development	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Capital Markets	32,358	32,358	2004
	Implementation of Central Bank Book Entry System	Payment and Settlements	Banking	89,763	89,763	2004
	Supervision of NBFIs: Assessment and Capacity Building	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	NBFI	147,990	147,990	2004
	Implementation of Capital Market Development Plan	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Capital Markets	360,595	360,595	2005
	Post-FSAP Strategic Road Map	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	45,742	45,742	2008
	Financial Sector Development Plan	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	354,000	134,370	2009
South Africa	Accounting and Auditing Legislation	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	114,391	114,391	2004
	Integration of Financial Regulations	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Multisector	18,425	18,425	2004
Sudan	Banking Sector Regulation and Supervision	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	260,296	260,296	2006
	Access to Finance for Farmers in the Gezira Region	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Multisector	97,866	97,866	2006
Swaziland	Assessment and Strategy Development for NBFI Supervision	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	NBFI	124,255	124,255	2004
	Improving Access to the Financial Sector	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	126,103	126,103	2004
	Implementation of Central Bank Book Entry System	Payment and Settlements	Banking	63,101	63,101	2004
	Review of Draft Bill for the Establishment of the Financial Services Regulatory Authority	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Multisector	6,000	6,000	2005

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	SUB-SA	HARAN AFRICA, con	tinued			
Tanzania	Development of FSAP Follow-up Strategy Plan	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	27,099	27,099	2005
	Capital Markets and Securities Authority: Development of Operational Strategy and Implementation Plan	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Multisector	137,266	137,266	2006
	Updating Accounting and Auditing Legislation and Enforcement Capacity	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	412,883	412,883	2006
	Action Plan for Developing Mortgage Finance Markets	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Housing Finance	197,555	197,555	2007
Uganda	Support for the Implementation of Collective Investment Schemes Legislation	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Pensions and CIS	72,550	72,550	2004
	Advise on Establishing a Consolidated Supervisor for NBFIs	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	NBFI	80,563	80,563	2005
	Strategic Options for Postbank	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Banking	115,960	115,960	2006
	Non-Life Insurance Technical Reserving Pilot	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	124,814	124,814	2007
	Expanding Access to Housing Finance	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Housing Finance	247,000	156,995	2009
Zambia	Financial Sector Development Plan	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	34,150	34,150	2004
	Pensions and Insurance Supervisory Strengthening	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Pensions and CIS	87,607	87,607	2005
	Regulatory Implications of Establishing a Credit Reference Bureau	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	92,117	92,117	2005
	Institute of Bankers Training Strategy	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	48,697	48,697	2005
	Development of Securities Exchange Commission Capacity Building Action Plan	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Capital Markets	185,370	185,370	2005

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	SUB-SA	HARAN AFRICA, con	tinued			
Regional projects	CEMAC Region: Development of Long-Term Finance for Debt Markets	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Capital Markets	222,800	222,800	200
	SADC Development Finance Resource Centre: Needs Analysis and Skills Audit for DFIs	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Multisector	77,500	77,500	20
	West African Monetary Institute (WAMI): Banking Supervision Study	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	123,632	123,632	20
	WAMI: Externally Assisted Self-Assessment of Basel Core Principles	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	107,777	107,777	20
	Strengthening Payment Systems in Botswana, Sierra Leone, Swaziland	Payment and Settlements	Multisector	183,520	183,520	20
	ESAAMLG: Training Evaluators in AML/CFT Assessment	AML/CFT	Banking	61,183	61,183	20
	ESAAMLG: AML/CFT Strategy Development for Member Countries	AML/CFT	Banking	122,365	122,365	20
	East and Southern Africa: Regional Bank Supervisors Leadership Training	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	108,362	108,362	20
	Strengthening AML/CFT in Portuguese-Speaking Countries	AML/CFT	Banking	31,034	31,034	20
	West Africa: Capacity Building in Banking Supervision	AML/CFT	Banking	61,675	61,675	20
	Preparation of Standards and Guidelines for Development Finance Institutions in Africa	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Microfinance	174,346	174,346	20
	Southern African Customs Union (SACU): Regional Workshop on Tiered Banking Regulations	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	11,129	11,129	20
	Capacity Building for East African Collective Investment Schemes Regulators	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Pensions and CIS	5,619	5,619	20
	Regional Training Seminar for Insurance Supervision	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	36,296	36,296	20
	Botswana, Swaziland: Scoping Mission for NBFIs	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	NBFI	18,474	18,474	20
	Africa Trade Insurance Agency: Development of Credit Risk Insurance Services	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Insurance	70,400	70,400	20
	SADC and East Africa: Training program for NBFI Regulators	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	NBFI	198,331	198,331	20
	Committee of Insurance, Securities and Non- Banking Financial Authorities (CISNA): Regional Risk-Based Supervision Seminar	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	29,542	29,542	20
	MEFMI Workshop on Consolidated Supervision	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Multisector	38,105	38,105	20
	Finscope Africa: Technical Assistance for Strategy Development	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	74,994	74,994	20

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	SUB-SA	HARAN AFRICA, cor	ntinued			
Regional projects, continued	EASRA: Advice on Achieving IOSCO Multilateral Memorandum of Understanding	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Insurance	118,936	118,936	2006
	CEMAC: Pre-FSAP Microfinance Sector Assessment	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Microfinance	62,885	62,885	2006
	CEMAC: Housing Finance Assessment	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Housing Finance	65,245	65,245	2008
	SADC and East Africa: Project Design for NBFI Regulators' Strategy and Capacity Building Program	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	NBFI	19,325	19,325	2006
	SADC: NBFI Regulators' Capacity Building Program	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	NBFI	1,950,000	711,396	2007
	Credit Reporting and Financial Information Infrastructure Program	Infrastructure Building	Banking	550,000	253,087	200
	Pilot Implementation of Association of African Development Finance Institutions (AADFI) Prudential Standards and Guidelines	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Microfinance	180,000	156,586	2008
	Development and Implementation of Risk- Management Framework	Product Development	Insurance	222,000	188,800	2008
	Advice on Macroeconomic Management and Financial Sector Issues	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Fiscal, Monetary, and Exchange Rate Policy	79,100	0	2008
	CEMAC Conference 2008	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	36,160	0	2008
	Financial Sector Strengthening through Monetary and Foreign Exchange Policy Training	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Fiscal, Monetary, and Exchange Rate Policy	124,300	22,667	2008
	Strengthening Payment Systems	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Multisector	328,152	98,573	2008
	Strengthening Payment Systems Phase II	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	373,808	247,000	2009
	SADC Region Crisis Preparedness Workshop	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Crisis Preparedness	55,000	53,602	2009
	Financial Stability Assessment in Tanzania and Uganda	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	538,558	31,057	2009
Total for region				21,491,825	16,042,453	

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	EA	ST ASIA AND PACIFI	C			
China	Regulation and Supervision of Corporate Pensions	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Pensions and CIS	600,245	600,245	2004
	Strengthening Regulation and Supervision of Securities Firms	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	308,653	308,653	2004
	Amendments to Securities Law	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	335,874	335,874	2004
	Regulation of the Distribution of Securities Investment Funds	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Pensions and CIS	256,216	256,216	2004
Indonesia	Capital Market Supervisory Agency Capacity Building	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	121,871	121,871	2004
	Strategic Advice on Pension Reform	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Pensions and CIS	124,941	124,941	2005
	Strategic Option for Reforming Civil Service Pension and Savings Scheme (TASPEN)	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Pensions and CIS	411,184	411,184	2006
	Life Insurance Sector Reform	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	358,000	221,827	2008
	Expanding Access to Islamic Finance for SMEs	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	SME Financing	285,000	2,578	2009
Laos	Development of Rural and Microfinance Strategy and Legal Regulatory Framework	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Microfinance	149,258	149,258	2003
	Rural Microfinance Survey	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Microfinance	152,321	152,321	2004
	MFI Supervision Capacity Building	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Microfinance	219,810	219,810	2006
Mongolia	Development of Insurance Supervisory Framework for Livestock Insurance	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	320,416	320,416	2003
	Development of Index-Based Livestock Insurance Phase II	Product Development	Insurance	152,228	152,228	2005
Papua New Guinea	Development of Risk-Based Capital and Assessment System for Non–Life Insurers	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	248,566	248,566	2007
	Enhancing Statistical Analysis and Public Reporting in the Insurance Sector	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Multisector	95,000	931	2009
Philippines	Development and Implementation of Non–Life Insurance Information System	Infrastructure Building	Insurance	145,001	145,001	2003
	Banking Supervision Capacity Building	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	440,127	440,127	2005
	Creation of an Accounting Oversight Board	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	245,000	102,780	2008

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	EAST A	SIA AND PACIFIC, con	tinued			
Thailand	Assisting Self-Assessment of Selected Financial Sector Core Principles	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Capital Markets	132,985	132,985	2005
	Enhancing Insurance Regulation and Supervision	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	315,000	25,245	2008
	Enhancing Securities Exchange Commission Audit Capacity	Accounting and Auditing	Capital Markets	275,000	0	2009
Timor Leste	Strategy of Establishing a Credit Registry	Infrastructure Building	Banking	115,806	115,806	2006
Tonga	Improving Central Bank's Supervision Capacity	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	202,722	164,450	2009
Vanuatu	Strengthening Regulation and Supervision of Company and Trust Service Providers	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Multisector	74,623	74,623	2007
Vietnam	Establishing a National Association for People's Credit Funds	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Banking	344,786	344,786	2006
	Regulation and Guidance for Management of Investment Funds	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	526,306	526,306	2006
	Feasibility Study for the Establishment of a Central Securities Depository	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Capital Markets	200,000	200,000	2007
	Assistance with International Standards for Supervising the Insurance Sector	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	248,917	248,917	2007
	Enhancing Deposit Insurance	Insolvency and Consumer Protection	Banking	289,500	23,284	2008
	Strengthening Central Bank Credit Information Centre	Infrastructure Building	Banking	247,000	4,173	2009
Regional projects	Training Evaluators in AML/CFT Assessment	AML/CFT	Banking	86,382	86,382	2003
	Workshop on Self-Assessment of Selected IAIS Core Principles	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	73,745	73,745	2005
	Strengthening Liquidity Management Systems in Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Fiscal, Monetary, and Exchange Rate Policy	202,722	74,696	2009
Total for region				8,305,206	6,410,224	

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	EUR) PE AND CENTRAL A	SIA			
Albania	Accounting and Audit Country Plan	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	106,887	106,887	2007
	Development of Effective Insurance Supervision	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	517,000	185,029	2008
Armenia	Insurance Supervisory Restructuring and Strengthening	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	74,480	74,480	2003
	Assistance with Insurance Regulation Drafting and Capacity Building	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	212,202	212,202	2004
	Preliminary Advice on Establishment of Unified Regulator	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Multisector	24,663	24,663	2006
	Establishment of Unified Regulator	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Multisector	34,544	34,544	2006
	Development of Insurance Sector	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Insurance	65,149	65,149	2007
Azerbaijan	Establishing Nonbank Corporate Bonds Market	Product Development	Capital Markets	588,173	588,173	2005
	Advice on Insurance Law and Regulations	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	228,071	228,071	2006
Bosnia & Herzegovina	Advisory Services to Stock Exchange	Infrastructure Building	Capital Markets	238,700	238,187	2008
Bulgaria	Strengthening of Supervisory Capacity of the Financial Services Commission	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	NBFI	337,807	337,807	2004
	Feasibility Study for Financial Derivatives Market	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Capital Markets	35,198	35,198	2005
Georgia	Debt Securities Market Development	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Capital Markets	52,127	52,127	2003
	Insurance Supervisory Strengthening	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	193,336	193,336	2003
	T-Bills Process and Municipal Bond Issuance	Product Development	Capital Markets	282,284	282,284	2005
	Development of Country Strategy for ROSC	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	89,000	46,347	2007
	Reform of Motor-Vehicle Third-Party Liability Insurance	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	0	0	2007
	Strengthening Financial Sector Supervision	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	75,700	35,786	2009
(azakhstan	Insurance Sector Strategic Advice and Regulatory Assistance	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Insurance	161,803	161,803	2005
	Technical Assistance for Public Sector Accounting Standards	Accounting and Auditing	Fiscal, Monetary, and Exchange Rate Policy	72,712	72,712	2006
	Improving Banking Supervision (Stress Testing)	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	192,422	62,114	2009

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	EUROPE A	ND CENTRAL ASIA, c	ontinued			
Kosovo	Strengthening Insurance Supervision	Product Development	Insurance	121,499	121,499	2005
	Strengthening Motor-Vehicle Third-Party Liability Insurance	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Insurance	38,084	38,084	2005
	Strengthening Banking Supervision	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	285,560	285,560	2006
Kyrgyz Republic	Advice on the Privatization of Kairat Bank	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Banking	262,578	262,578	2003
	Assistance for Drafting Deposit Insurance Legislation	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	22,232	22,232	2004
	Medium-Term Strategy for Microfinance Development	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Microfinance	136,714	136,714	2005
	Assistance on the Privatization of Kyrgyz Agricultural Finance Corporation	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Banking	264,556	264,556	2006
	Modernization of the Postal System	Payment and Settlements	Banking	169,862	169,862	2007
	Strengthening Legal, Regulatory, Supervisory, and Markets Infrastructure	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	NBFI	450,100	243,745	2008
	Preprivatization Advice for Aiyl Bank	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	124,000	46,105	2009
	Retail Payments Systems	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	135,148	29,900	2009
Lithuania	Insurance Supervision Strengthening	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	177,275	177,275	2003
	Accounting and Auditing Reform	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	126,008	126,008	2003
	Effective Application of Audit Standards	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	74,099	74,099	2005
Macedonia	Reform of Compulsory Motor Vehicle Insurance System	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Insurance	294,176	294,176	2004
Moldova	Development of Money Market Instruments	Product Development	Capital Markets	73,184	73,184	2004
	Strengthening Insurance Supervision	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	180,952	180,952	2005
	Strengthening the Accounting, Auditing, and Financial Reporting Framework	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	256,406	256,406	2005
	Corporate Governance Reform	Corporate Governance	Multisector	270,148	270,148	2005
	Development of Money Market Instruments Phase II	Product Development	Capital Markets	243,058	243,058	2005

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	EUROPE A	ND CENTRAL ASIA, o	ontinued			
Moldova, continued	Capacity Building in Monetary and Policy Analysis	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Fiscal, Monetary, and Exchange Rate Policy	294,252	195,300	2008
Poland	Access to Long-Term Finance for Rural Communes	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Microfinance	275,367	275,367	2004
Romania	Strengthening AML Regulations in the Securities Market	AML/CFT	Capital Markets	51,504	51,504	2004
Russian Federation	Capacity Building to Support the Federal Regulator of Pension Funds	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Pensions and CIS	381,343	381,343	2005
Serbia and Montenegro	Regulatory and Analytical Tools for Assessment of Banks' Risk Profiles	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	228,000	138,958	2008
	Country Action Plan for Accounting and Auditing	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	207,400	10,983	2009
Slovak Republic	Strengthening Corporate Governance of Listed Companies	Corporate Governance	Multisector	91,963	91,963	2004
	Technical Assistance to the Financial Markets Authority	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	93,106	93,106	2004
	Strengthening Bank Corporate Governance	Corporate Governance	Banking	65,450	65,450	2004
Tajikistan	Post-FSAP Legal and Regulatory Reform and Strategy Development	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Multisector	598,950	261,699	2009
Turkey	Secondary Mortgage Market Development	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Housing Finance	382,492	382,492	2005
Ukraine	Assistance to the Nonbank Financial Institution Regulator	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	NBFI	133,193	133,193	2003
Regional projects	CIS-7: Financial Sector Workshop	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	22,674	22,674	2003
	AML/CFT Workshop	AML/CFT	Banking	100,067	100,067	2003
Total for region				10,213,657	8,557,139	

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Belize	Central Bank of Belize Organizational Review	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	175,539	175,539	2005
Chile	Road Map for Strengthening Solvency Control in the Insurance Industry	Insolvency and Consumer Protection	Insurance	138,195	138,195	2005
	Strengthening Regulation of Pension Funds	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Pensions and CIS	180,292	180,292	2005
	Implementing Risk-Based Supervision in the Securities Industry	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	466,519	466,519	2005
	Adopting International Financial Reporting Standards for Listed Companies	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	195,973	195,973	2005
	Implementation of Risk-Based Supervision Model for Insurance Industry	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	249,000	228,082	2007
	Risk-Based Regulation of Pension Funds	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Pensions and CIS	225,000	150,155	2007

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	LATIN AME	RICA AND CARIBBEAN	l, continued			
Colombia	Mortgage Finance Capacity Building	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Housing Finance	115,835	115,835	2003
	Developing the Supervisory and Regulatory Framework for Collective Investment Schemes	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Pensions and CIS	216,620	216,620	2004
	Terrorism Loss Insurance Finance	AML/CFT	Insurance	195,501	195,501	2004
	Money Market Development	Product Development	Capital Markets	268,794	268,794	2004
	Development of Housing Microfinance	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Housing Finance	394,587	394,587	2005
	Enhancement of the Capital Market Self- Regulatory System	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	136,248	136,248	2005
	Supervision of Financial Conglomerates	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Multisector	220,000	155,417	2007
Costa Rica	Advice on Achieving Compliance with IOSCO MMoU	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	72,466	72,466	2005
	Strengthening Public Debt Management and Developing Domestic Debt Market	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Fiscal, Monetary, and Exchange Rate Policy	215,383	215,383	2006
Dominican Republic	Feasibility Study for Capital Market Broadening	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Capital Markets	18,845	18,845	2005
El Salvador	Strengthening Public Financial Institutions	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	136,124	136,124	2005
	Strengthening Framework for Consolidated Supervision of Financial Conglomerates	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Multisector	182,918	182,918	2005
	Implementation of IOSCO Self-Assessment	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Capital Markets	46,485	46,485	2005
	Improving Corporate Financial Reporting through Implementation of International Financial Reporting Standards	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	246,310	25,808	2009
Guatemala	Financial Crisis Preparedness and Financial Projection	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Crisis Preparedness	77,000	17,465	2009
Honduras	A Road Map for Strengthening Accounting and Auditing	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	478,200	47,485	2008
Mexico	Developing Framework for the Issuance of Catastrophe Bonds	Product Development	Capital Markets	186,901	186,901	2006
Nicaragua	Design of Management Information Systems for Deposit Insurance Agency	Insolvency and Consumer Protection	Banking	25,750	25,750	2006

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	LATIN AMER	ICA AND CARIBBEAI	V, continued			
Peru	Improving Risk-Based Management in Collective Investment Schemes	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Pensions and CIS	171,783	171,783	2005
	Improving SME Access to Capital Markets	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	SME Financing	567,569	567,569	2005
	Housing Finance Development	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Housing Finance	487,103	487,103	2005
	Strengthening Private Sector Accounting and Auditing	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	199,579	30,893	2008
	Financial Crisis Simulation Program	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Crisis Preparedness	213,000	0	2009
Uruguay	Housing Finance Policy Reform	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Housing Finance	294,350	246,033	2008
Regional projects	Grupo de Acción Financiera de Sudamérica (GAFISUD): AML/CFT Workshop	AML/CFT	Banking	34,266	34,266	2003
	Strengthening Financial Sector Integrity in Central America	AML/CFT	Multisector	46,213	46,213	2003
	East Caribbean Securities Exchange: Custodian Recruitment to Support Cross-Listings	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Capital Markets	79,011	79,011	2003
	East Caribbean Central Bank: Improving Payment Systems	Payment and Settlements	Banking	172,773	172,773	2003
	Strengthening Credit Reporting Systems	Infrastructure Building	Banking	499,151	499,151	2004
	Regional Insurance Supervisors Leadership Training Program	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	79,360	79,360	2004
	AML/CFT Evaluator Training for Spanish- Speaking Countries	AML/CFT	Banking	44,899	44,899	2004
	East Caribbean: Strengthening Credit Union Regulation and Supervision	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	68,551	68,551	2004
	GAFISUD AML/CFT Evaluator Training	AML/CFT	Banking	55,389	55,389	2005
	East Caribbean Securities Exchange: Development of Unified Rulebook	Infrastructure Building	Capital Markets	61,512	61,512	2005
	AML/CFT Workshop for Caribbean Regulators of Company and Trust Service Providers	AML/CFT	Multisector	57,284	57,284	2005
	Central America Securities Supervisors Leadership Training	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	50,135	50,135	2006
	AML/CFT Workshop for Caribbean Insurance Regulators/Supervisors	AML/CFT	Insurance	54,230	54,230	2006
	AML/CFT Workshop for Regulators of Casinos and Internet Gaming Entities	AML/CFT	NBFI	54,405	54,405	2006
	CEMLA: Strengthening Credit Reporting Systems	Infrastructure Building	Banking	309,000	72,856	2008
Total for region				8,464,051	6,926,806	

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	MIDDL	E EAST AND NORTH /	AFRICA			
Egypt, Arab Republic of	Strengthening Credit Reporting System	Infrastructure Building	Banking	166,118	166,118	2004
	Project Scoping Banking Sector	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	20,085	20,085	200
	Strengthening Banking Supervision	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	98,375	98,375	200
	Strengthening Payments Systems	Payment and Settlements	Multisector	246,653	246,653	200
	Credit Reporting System Strengthening	Infrastructure Building	Banking	146,259	146,259	200
	Upgrading Motor-Vehicle Third-Party Liability Insurance Capacity	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Insurance	118,487	118,487	200
Jordan	Building the Actuarial Supervision Capacity of the Insurance Commission	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	199,743	199,743	200
	Development of a Supervisory Ladder and Supervisory Strengthening	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	120,125	120,125	200
Lebanon	Review and Advice on a New Insurance law	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	91,892	91,892	200
	Capital Markets Supervisory and Regulatory Authority Strengthening	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	231,444	231,444	200
Morocco	Assistance to Support Pension Reform	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Fiscal, Monetary, and Exchange Rate Policy	152,580	152,580	200
	Financial Crisis Simulation Program	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Crisis Preparedness	197,000	165,344	200
Syria	Development of Damascus Securities Exchange	Infrastructure	Capital Markets	215,000	196,652	200
West Bank and Gaza	Private Pension Regulatory Capacity Building	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Pensions and CIS	248,000	36,587	200
	Establishment of a Deposit Insurance Scheme	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	56,000	0	200
Regional projects	Regional Training Seminar for Insurance Supervision	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Insurance	63,072	63,072	200
Total for region				2,370,832	2,053,415	
		SOUTH ASIA				
Bangladesh	Insurance Law Reform	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	53,035	53,035	200
	Reducing Interest Rate Spreads	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Banking	34,719	34,719	2004

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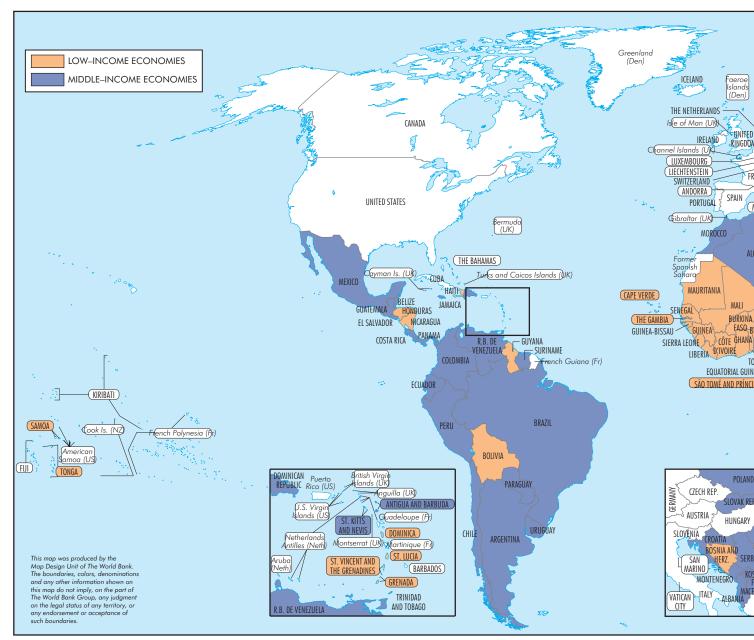
Capacity Building for Capital Market Intermediaries 2005

Country/Region	Project title	Thematic area	Sector	Commitments (in US\$)	Disbursements (in US\$)	Fiscal year of approval
	S	OUTH ASIA, continue	i			
India	Insurance Tariff Advisory Committee: Capacity Building for Transition from Uniform Tariff System to Risk-Based Approach	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	243,978	243,978	2003
	Expanding Housing Finance Market	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Housing Finance	598,031	598,031	2006
	Development of Crop Insurance	Product Development	Insurance	531,953	531,953	2006
Maldives	Insurance Regulation and Supervisory Advancement	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	230,000	35,539	2008
Pakistan	Bank Supervision Risk-Assessment Model	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	224,973	224,973	2004
	Development of Banking Sector Uniform Chart of Accounts	Accounting and Auditing	Banking	234,619	234,619	2004
	Project Design for Assistance to the State Bank of Pakistan	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	9,200	9,200	2004
Sri Lanka	Training for the Foreign Exchange Industry	Institutional Capacity Building and Market Development	Banking	29,898	29,898	2004
	Regulating Securities Markets Intermediaries	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	77,503	77,503	2004
	Strengthening Actuarial Supervision Capacity	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	36,152	36,152	2004
	Securities Exchange Commission: Supervision Capacity Strengthening	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	226,337	226,337	2004
	Regulation of Private Pension Funds	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Pensions and CIS	112,623	112,623	2004
	Assistance in Drafting the Securitization Act	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Capital Markets	195,388	195,388	2005
	Strengthening Accounting and Payment Systems	Accounting and Auditing	Multisector	210,000	9,525	2009
	Risk-Sensitive Capital Rule for Insurance Supervision	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	245,700	0	2009
Regional projects	South Asia Federation of Exchanges (SAFE): Strengthening Stock Exchange Listing Regulations in Member Countries	Infrastructure Building	Capital Markets	143,348	143,348	2003
	SAFE: Developing Model Listing Regulations	Infrastructure Building	Capital Markets	68,355	68,355	2005
	Professional Risk Managers' International Association: Development of Academies in India and Indonesia	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	102,824	102,824	2006

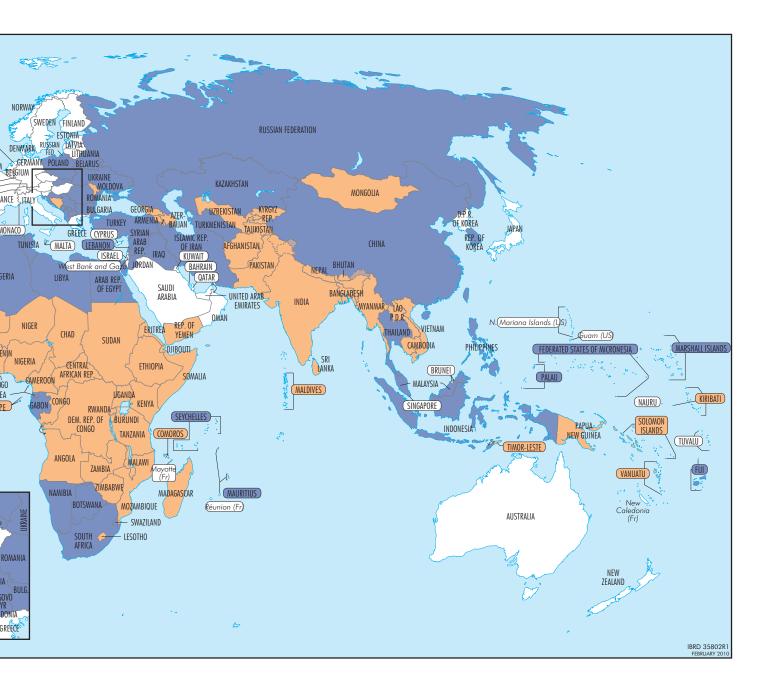
Country/Region	Project title	Thematic area	Sector	Commitments (in US\$)	Disbursements (in US\$)	Fiscal year of approval
	S	OUTH ASIA, continue	d			
Regional projects, continued	South and East Asia: Workshop for Emerging Financial Intelligence Units	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	57,746	57,746	2006
	ASEAN Training and Research Insurance Institute (AITRI) Workshop on IAIS Insurance Core Principles	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Insurance	134,673	134,673	2007
	Strengthening Payment, Remittances, and Securities Settlement Systems	Payment and Settlements	Banking	412,000	93,379	2008
Total for region				4,231,372	3,272,114	
		GLOBAL PROJECTS		100 775	100 775	
	Islamic Financial Services Board (IFSB): Strengthening Corporate Governance Standards in Islamic Financial Services Institutions	Corporate Governance	Multisector	128,775	128,775	2005
	Developing Guidelines for the Implementation of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) Recommendations	AML/CFT	Multisector	655,374	655,374	2005
	Workshop for International and Offshore Financial Centers' Supervisors	Strategic, Diagnostic, and Analytical Work	Banking	38,546	38,546	2005
	Developmental Implications of International Taxation and AML/CFT Initiatives	AML/CFT	Fiscal, Monetary, and Exchange Rate Policy	231,850	231,850	2006
	Technical Reserving for Non–Life Insurers	Regulatory and Supervisory Advice	Insurance	27,950	27,950	2006
Total for global p	ojects			1,082,495	1,082,495	
Grand Total				56,159,438	44,344,646	

Note: The total disbursement figure differs from the disbursements reported in the Combined Statement of Cumulative Cash Receipts, Disbursements, and Fund Balance. The difference is accounted for by: (a) Development Grant Facility contributions, plus interest income of \$1.22 million, which are excluded from the statement's disbursements; (b) \$0.11 million paid from external bank accounts; and (c) \$1.29 million disbursed by the IMF.

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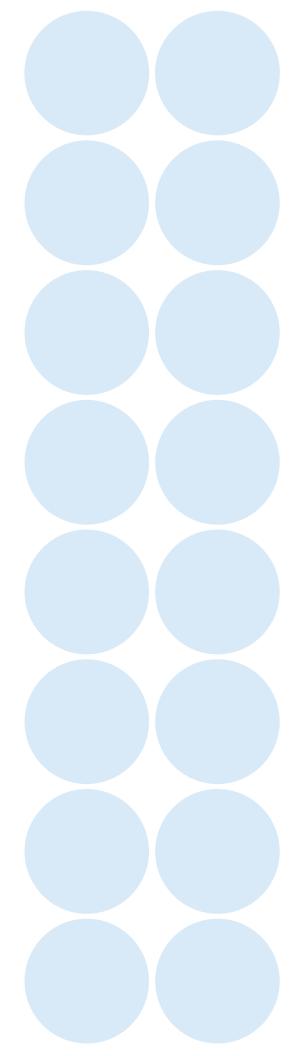
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