

# EMERGING AFRICA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND LIMITED

## INVESTMENT POLICY

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## PART A – INTRODUCTION

The following guidelines constitute the “**Investment Policy**” of EAIF.

### 1. Definitions

“**Board**” means the duly appointed board of directors of EAIF from time to time.

“**Constitution**” means the constitution of EAIF dated 10 November 2014, as amended on 26 April 2018 and as may be amended from time to time.

“**Delegation of Authority Framework Agreement**” means the agreement made between EAIF and the Manager setting out the framework of delegated authority to the Manager dated xx April 2018, as amended from time to time.

“**EAIF**” means The Emerging Africa Infrastructure Fund Limited.

“**Environmental and Social Policy**” means the environmental and social policy of EAIF dated 22 July 2014 as may be amended from time to time.

“**Investec Credit Committee**” means the credit committee of the Manager as defined in the Delegation of Authority Framework Agreement.

“**Investec Credit Investment Forum**” means the credit investment forum of the Manager as defined in the Delegation of Authority Framework Agreement

“**Investment**” means a loan or commitment to provide a loan by EAIF to any Person or any other investment made, in each case in accordance with this policy.

“**Investment Opportunity**” means a potential Investment which is being considered by EAIF.

“**Manager**” means EAIF’s fund manager as appointed by the Board or duly authorized person as defined in the Amended and Restated Management Agreement dated xx April 2018.

“**Management Agreement**” means the Management Agreement dated 9 May 2016 and amended and restated on xx April 2018, as amended from time to time.

“**Person**” means any natural person, corporation, partnership, firm, association, governmental authority or any other entity, whether acting in an individual, fiduciary or other capacity and their successors.

“**PIDG Ltd Credit Committee**” means the credit committee of PIDG Ltd.

“**PIDG Ltd**” means the Private Infrastructure Development Group Limited, a company incorporated into England and Wales.

“**PIDG Trust**” means the Private Infrastructure Development Group Trust.

“**Portfolio Company**” means any Person (other than a natural person) to whom a Portfolio Loan is made

**“Portfolio Loan”** means a loan by EAIF to any Person in the form of a loan or a commitment to provide a loan, in each case in accordance with this Investment Policy.

**“Portfolio Loan Commitment”** means the aggregate amounts committed (whether disbursed or undisbursed) by EAIF to Portfolio Loans in accordance with the Investment Policy, as evidenced by legally binding documentation where all conditions precedent to such documentation have been either met or waived, after deducting (without double counting):

- i) any amounts repaid or pre-paid by a Portfolio Company;
- ii) any commitments cancelled and not capable of being redrawn; and
- iii) the net amount written off against such Portfolio Loan.

For the avoidance of doubt, Portfolio Loan Commitments shall not include the deduction of the net amount of any provision raised against any part of a loan.

## **2. Overview of Investment Policy**

This policy reflects matters which should be addressed in an Investment Opportunity to measure the degree to which any proposed transaction with a Portfolio Company would meet normal credit criteria while satisfying the PIDG Trust’s objectives of poverty elimination, additionality, capacity building, sustainability and value for money.

## **3. Amendments**

This policy may be amended in accordance with the relevant provision of EAIF’s Constitution.

## PART B – INVESTMENT CRITERIA

### 1. Investment Categories

EAIF may only invest in:

- (i) majority private sector owned, managed and controlled Persons (other than natural persons); and
- (ii) public sector owned, managed and controlled Persons (other than natural persons) provided that EAIF has shown that the private sector is responsible for developing and managing the assets of such Person on a risk sharing basis,

in each case that are engaged in the development, financing, construction, rehabilitation, restructuring, expansion, and/or operation of all forms of infrastructure or infrastructure-related ventures in eligible countries as set out in clause 2 below, including the following activities:

- a. Start-ups or Greenfield Developments: infrastructure or infrastructure-related investments that have received (or will have received prior to disbursement) the relevant permits, licences and concessions from governmental entities and that are seeking medium to long term finance. The contractual project finance arrangements could be based on derivations of the standard BOT concept, for example BOOT, DBFO etc.
- b. Operating Infrastructure Companies: going concerns that require finance for upgrades, expansions or other forms of growth.
- c. Privatised or To-be-Privatised Companies: privatised infrastructure businesses and parastatals that have a proven track record and are expanding or rehabilitating their operations. Privatisations where the host government is in a majority shareholding position but has a contractual undertaking to reduce its holding (including indirect holdings) to 49% or less within a defined period either through listing or trade sale may also be considered.

### 2. Eligible Countries

EAIF may invest only in support of activities performed in those countries which are

- a. listed below:

Algeria <sup>2</sup>	Lesotho
Angola	Madagascar
Benin	Malawi
Botswana	Mali
Burkina Faso	Mauritania
Burundi	Mauritius <sup>1</sup>
Cameroon	Morocco <sup>2</sup>
Cape Verde	Mozambique
Central African Republic	Namibia

Chad	Niger
Comoros	Nigeria
Congo - Brazzaville	Rwanda
Congo (Democratic Republic)	Sao Tome and Principe
Djibouti	Senegal
Egypt <sup>2</sup>	Sierra Leone
Equatorial Guinea	Somalia
Eritrea	South Africa <sup>1</sup>
Ethiopia	Sudan
Gabon	South Sudan
Gambia	Swaziland
Ghana	Tanzania
Guinea	Togo
Guinea Bissau	Tunisia <sup>2</sup>
Ivory Coast	Uganda
Liberia	Zambia
Libya <sup>2</sup>	Zimbabwe
Kenya	

### 3. Eligible Sectors

EAIF shall provide credit facilities to support the funding of infrastructure or infrastructure-related companies or assets (with particular emphasis on maximizing benefits for the poor) which may be engaged in the following activities in the sectors (each a “**Sector**”) as described below, with EAIF seeking to ensure that each Sector accounts for at least 10% of the Portfolio Loan Commitment subject to the availability of suitable opportunities, within the limits set out in this Investment Policy, and subject to the exclusions set out in Part C section 1 (*Excluded Sectors*):

- a. Energy: the generation, transmission and/or distribution of electricity, including rural electrification.
- b. Water/Waste Services: urban/rural fresh water production and treatment, supply and distribution, sanitation, solid waste disposal/collection and waste treatment, bulk water supply (water reservoirs, transfer schemes, dams and pipelines).

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<sup>1</sup> The Company must demonstrate that any investments in Mauritius and South Africa are limited to projects that focus on the poorest regions and groups.

<sup>2</sup> The Company may only invest in support of activities performed in these countries if these countries are fragile and conflicted affected countries at the time the Company commits to provide a Portfolio Loan.

- c. Transportation: fixed transportation infrastructure including toll roads, bridges, tunnels, light and heavy rail systems and railway equipment, airports (passengers and freight), ports and harbors, warehousing and bulk storage/handling facilities, which may include (but only as ancillary thereto) certain moveable assets.
- d. Telecommunications: fixed line, mobile and satellite telecommunication or data services, and physical infrastructure that supports the roll out of such service.
- e. Gas Transportation, Distribution and Storage: gas pipelines and bulk storage/logistical facilities, or downstream gas development.
- f. Mining: only where the Investment expands the provision of infrastructure and associated services and where the owner agrees to allow third party use of the assets (in so far as it does not prejudice their mining operations) and where EAIF's lending is believed to be additional.
- g. Manufacturing: construction or assembly of goods, equipment, plant and buildings or the provision of services (for example cement plants, producers of pipes, pumps, switching equipment, cables, bricks, tarmac, steel and other basic materials used in infrastructure construction).
- h. Other: other activities which impact positively on the development of the relevant country's basic infrastructure whilst promoting the objectives of EAIF. Such activities may include:
  - the infrastructure component of industrial or agro-industrial projects so long as such infrastructure is also allowed to be used by third parties;
  - investments in agribusiness which result in infrastructure development are permitted as part of an Investment in another Sector, provided that the proportion of any Investment committed for agribusiness does not exceed 20% of the total Investment;

#### **4. Community and Environmental Impact**

All of EAIF's investment decisions shall be taken having regard to the impact of such investment on the environment, and in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental and Social Policy.

The Manager will include in its due diligence for each Investment Opportunity an analysis of the social and ecological impacts to its environment, including the methods and processes used by the Portfolio Company to assess and mitigate any material negative impacts, in accordance with the Environmental and Social Policy. If certain areas fall short of the standards required by the Environmental and Social Policy, the Manager shall clearly identify these and propose mitigating measures and inclusion of appropriate covenants in the loan documents. Should the analysis show serious negative impacts that cannot be addressed within a reasonable time, the Investment Opportunity may be deemed inappropriate for investment by EAIF.

EAIF shall use the developmental impact and poverty elimination criteria as set out in Appendix 1 in its due diligence.

Environmental, technical and social advisory support shall be utilized by EAIF as may be required by each transaction.

## **5. Eligible Products**

EAIF will offer a range of debt financing products in the form of loans, bonds or sukuk, with the main focus being senior debt. This section sets out the specific products which are eligible.

EAIF may offer debt financing products in US dollars, Euros or the local currency of an Eligible Country. Loans offered in a local currency to a Portfolio Company must comply with the Hedging Policy detailed in Part F.

Seniority will be determined by having a conventional first ranking (*pari passu* with other senior lenders) mortgage/charge on all eligible Portfolio Company assets (subject to customary exceptions) plus appropriate security determined on a case by case basis in accordance with market practice. Seniority may also be determined through a shorter maturity and duration profile compared to junior financing.

General terms for lending will be drawn up taking cognisance of the Portfolio Company's characteristics and the overall financing structure.

### **5.1 Senior Debt Products**

Senior loans may be provided on a standalone basis or with one or more co-lenders, either through a predetermined "club" or in a "syndicated" transaction structured and negotiated by one or more lead arranger(s) and then subsequently shared with other lenders. EAIF could perform a lead role in such transactions or could consider joining a syndicate arranged by (an)other acceptable institution(s).

### **5.2 Subordinated Products**

Subject to the limits set out in section 5.3 below (Conditions for Subordinated Products), EAIF may offer subordinated loans or quasi-equity for those Portfolio Companies where such financing is required and is deemed suitable. Such financing should be provided only to those Portfolio Companies that show sufficient robustness and stability of cashflow to warrant investment in such higher risk instruments. Such products may include any of the following:

- a. senior loans with revenue/profit sharing mechanisms;
- b. subordinated loans with revenue/profit sharing mechanisms;
- c. preference shares with coupon and maturity contractually defined;
- d. other mezzanine products;
- e. debt with warrants; or
- f. equity combined with a put option in favour of EAIF.

### **5.3 Conditions for Subordinated Products**

Terms for such instruments should reflect their risk profile. The following criteria shall apply to the use of subordinated products:

- a. the product should be additional to available equity and debt and appropriate to the Portfolio Company's overall financing structure;



- b. such subordinated instruments must be prudent taking into account the risk profile of EAIF's assets and liabilities; and
- c. subordinated products shall not exceed 30% of the Portfolio Loan Commitment.

#### **5.4 Other Products**

EAIF may offer bridge financing on customary terms to Portfolio Companies on the basis that such financing will be converted to a term loan consistent with this Investment Policy.

Underwriting facilities may be offered, provided that where the extent of such underwriting exceeds EAIF's credit limits for such a Portfolio Company, there is a clear ability to sell-down such excess. However, EAIF will generally not underwrite tranches greater than US\$50 million (or equivalent in other currencies).

### **6. Commercial Terms**

#### **6.1 Maturities**

EAIF will generally lend with a minimum tenor of at least five years.

EAIF will not lend or make a loan with a final maturity of longer than twenty (20) years from the date of commitment of the Investment, except in exceptional circumstances as agreed by PIDG Ltd.

#### **6.2 Refinancing**

Refinancing of Portfolio Company's existing debt shall only take place by EAIF with respect to:

- i) bridge financing provided by EAIF;
- ii) pre-completion or construction period financing provided by other third parties and equity providers where the refinancing gives rise to additionality through (a) capacity building, (b) capital market development, (c) poverty reduction, or (d) any other relevant benefits; or
- iii) existing funding, the refinancing of which gives rise to additionality through (a) capacity building, (b) capital market development, (c) poverty reduction, or (d) any other relevant benefits; or
- iv) distressed situations where the refinancing assists the financial stability of the Portfolio Company.

#### **6.3 Pricing**

EAIF's pricing for senior loans and subordinated loans should target a return commensurate with risk and with due recognition to the cost structure of EAIF and return requirements of all investor categories within EAIF.

#### **6.4 Grace Period**

The Portfolio Company may benefit from a grace period on capital repayments. Interest, however, will remain payable during any grace period but may be capitalised where deemed appropriate.

## **7. Competitive Tendering and Procurement**

### **7.1 Non-Competitively Awarded Portfolio Company**

It is an ongoing requirement of EAIF to support good public policy and transparency in all transaction processes. Therefore, subject to this section 7.1 (Non-Competitively Awarded Portfolio Company) and section 7.3(b) (Procurement), EAIF will not support start-up of greenfield Portfolio Companies where the underlying development rights were not but, in EAIF's view, could reasonably have been, competitively tendered.

In exceptional cases, EAIF may support Portfolio Companies where the underlying rights have been awarded through direct negotiation rather than competitive bidding. In such cases, EAIF will need to assure itself that, if the opportunity involves a government-related process, any award resulting therefrom has been made on a defensible and transparent basis that does not harm the public interest.

### **7.2 Competitively Awarded Portfolio Company**

EAIF may participate in competitive bidding situations on behalf of one or more parties. In such cases, the Manager shall provide preliminary support letters or other commitments to any bidding party approaching it for support, which is deemed to be submitting a bid of sufficient quality to be eligible.

### **7.3 Procurement**

- a. Contracts with affiliates and other related parties should be evaluated to ensure they are competitive with third party contracts negotiated on an arms-length basis. Management and other arrangements should be reviewed to ensure that they are consistent with the creditworthiness and long-term health of the business.
- b. In instances where licences, concessions and privatisations could not be competitively tendered, PIDG Ltd, subject to section 7.3(c) below, may require that all procurements of a material nature are tendered competitively.
- c. In exceptional cases under section 7.3 (b) above, EAIF may support Portfolio Companies where procurement has not been subject to competitive bidding. In such cases, EAIF will need to assure itself that all major procurement is expressly on an arm's length and transparent basis, with specialist advice from technical consultants to confirm as such, if necessary.

## **PART C – INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS**

### **1. Excluded Sectors**

The following Sectors shall be excluded from Investments by EAIF:

- a. Electricity Generation from the burning of coal;
- b. Oil and Gas Exploration, Export Transportation and Production (“upstream” activities);
- c. Mining, or Mineral Exploration and Extraction, except for investments which fall under Section 3(f) (Eligible Sectors) of Part B;
- d. Nuclear Power or Nuclear Waste Treatment: any business or activities including Investments relating to the nuclear industry or nuclear materials (other than in respect of the purchase of medical equipment, quality control (measurement) equipment and any other equipment where the radioactive source is considered to be trivial and/or adequately shielded);
- e. Military Infrastructure; and
- f. Financial Services (except for investments which fall under Section 3(d) (Eligible Sectors) of Part B.

### **2. Projects Exclusion List**

EAIF shall not make any Investments which would be excluded pursuant to the Projects Exclusion Lists as set out at Appendix 2 (Projects Exclusion List) to this Investment Policy.

### **3. Country, Sector and the Portfolio Company Exposure Limits**

Generally, typical investment sizes will fall in the range of US\$15-US\$50 million (or equivalent in other currencies) per Investment. In exceptional circumstances and subject to the approval of the PIDG Ltd Credit Committee and subject to the limits set out below EAIF may make an Investment of up to 10% of the Portfolio Loan Commitment.

Subject to the limits set out below the Investec Credit Committee may agree an exception in the case of transactions below US\$15m.

In making Investment decisions, EAIF is required to operate within the following guidelines and exposure limits except in exceptional circumstances as approved by PIDG Ltd:

- a. EAIF may not invest more than 25% of the Portfolio Loan Commitment in any one eligible country listed under Section 2 (Eligible Countries) of Part B.
- b. Except in relation to the Energy Sector defined in Section 3(a) (Eligible Sectors) of Part B, EAIF may not invest more than 40% of the Portfolio Loan Commitment in any one qualifying Sector.

- c. EAIF may not invest more than 10% of the Portfolio Loan Commitment in any one Portfolio Company and wholly owned subsidiaries thereof.

#### **4. Prohibited Payments and Sanctions**

EAIF shall comply with Appendix 3 (Anticorruption, Anti Money Laundering and Combating Financing of Terrorism) of this policy. EAIF shall comply with the PIDG Trust's Anti-corruption and Integrity Policy and Procedures in place and as amended from time to time

#### **5. Other Investment Restrictions**

EAIF may not invest in Portfolio Companies which do not comply materially with the Environmental and Social Policy (unless the proposed Portfolio Company has a comprehensive environmental action plan in place to achieve compliance in the short term).

EAIF may not invest in Portfolio Companies that generate electricity from the burning of heavy fuel oil (HFO) except where the following criteria is met:

- i. the project which is being funded is in a DAC 1 Country or in a DAC 2 Country or in a country listed in the List of Fragile States; and
- ii. no "cleaner/less polluting" thermal or renewable power generation base load technologies are feasible in such country from a technical, cost and economic perspective; and
- iii. the project is the only viable / cost-efficient option to provide grid stability (either base load or peaking capacity).

## **PART D – INTEGRITY DUE DILIGENCE PROCEDURE**

In order to ensure that EAIF is not exposed to unnecessary risk, part of the due diligence on any Investment Opportunity and Portfolio Company should include an integrity due diligence (“IDD”). This Part D (Integrity Due Diligence Procedure) provides guidelines on how IDD should be conducted.

The IDD process should identify and document potential risks associated with unethical and illegal activities which include environmental, social, governance and financial crime issues such as child labor, corruption, fraud, and money laundering.

The IDD Process involves two phases: (i) an integrity risk identification and assessment; (ii) the actual due diligence work.

### **1. Phase (i) Integrity risk identification and assessment**

The risk identification and assessment should be carried out as part of the preparation of the initial screening of an Investment Opportunity in accordance with the Delegation of Authority Framework. The Manager should determine the extent of the due diligence required, specifically which persons and institutions will be examined and the level of scrutiny required for each.

The risk identification and assessment should cover the following areas:

- Entities background checks: initial review of the shareholders, borrower; management team and other relevant parties which might present a reputation risk to EAIF;
- Transparency issues: initial review of how the contract/project was awarded;
- Environmental and social matters: identification of potential reputation risk related to environmental and social matters such as child labor; minimum wages and environmental damages;
- Fraudulent practice: identification of potential fraudulent practices such as corruption, fraud, and money laundering.

Suggested methods for identification of integrity risks:

- Database search as specified in the Manager’s Know Your Customer (“KYC”);
- Discussion with other lenders;
- Discussions with representatives of DFIs/IFIs with presence in the country of the proposed Investment or knowledge of the parties;
- Discussions with local financial institutions.

The result of the integrity risk identification and assessment review together with recommendations on how to corroborate each of the identified risks should be summarised in the paper presented to the Investec Credit Investment Forum for approval.

A mandate letter with the Portfolio Company should be signed after the initial risk identification processes have been completed and presented to the Investec Credit Investment Forum.

## **2. Phase (ii) Integrity due diligence**

Following the approval by the Investec Credit Investment Forum, the Manager will investigate the risk identified in phase (i) through: (a) external background check report (from reputable companies specializing in such background reporting); and/or (b) forensic audits and/or (c) discussions with senior members of companies familiar with the proposed Investment and Portfolio Company or any other means agreed with the Investec Credit Investment Forum.

The Manager will (subject to any applicable data protection laws) prepare a final integrity risk assessment paper describing the integrity due diligence process and its outcome together with a recommendation whether to proceed with the project or not.

The integrity risk assessment paper will be presented to an integrity committee comprised of the Chairman of the Investec Credit Investment Forum together with one or more representative of EAIF for clearance and approval to proceed to the Investec Credit Committee as soon as possible.

## **PART E – HEDGING POLICY**

### **1. CURRENCY RISK**

Currency risk arises for EAIF through EAIF's lending or borrowing in currency other than its base currency of US\$.

### **2. INTEREST RATE RISK**

Interest rate risk arises for EAIF through EAIFs' lending or borrowing at fixed interest rates.

### **3. HEDGING ARRANGEMENTS**

EAIF shall only enter into hedging arrangements as a means of reducing risk exposure. Under no circumstances shall hedges be considered for speculative purposes.

Currency and interest risks are reported monthly to PIDG Ltd. PIDG Ltd decides and reviews on an annual basis the appropriate hedging policies which should be in place.

## **PART F – MISMATCH POLICY**

A tenor mismatch arises because EAIF's commitments to fund projects and obligations to repay its own debt may not be matched by incoming cash flows from projects and capacity to draw down sufficient funds from its own credit lines.

A tenor mismatch can arise:

- Intentionally – a new project loan commitment is signed that cannot be definitively funded at some stage in the future;
- Unintentionally – a project defaults or reschedules so that planned cash flows disappear or become deferred.

Tenor mismatch is sometimes referred to as “Refinancing Risk” because funding gaps can be remedied by raising new debt or changing the tenor profile of existing debt. The timing of any tenor mismatch is as important as the amount and having time to negotiate new or changed credit lines or other solutions is key to its management.

Assumptions used for updating tenor mismatch includes:

- Only cash flows related to existing commitments (portfolio projects) are taken into account;
- Only committed debt facilities are available;
- No prepayment or refinancing of existing investments are assumed;
- Loss reserves are deducted; and
- A minimum cash level of US\$2 million is maintained.

Based on the assumptions above, EAIF's mismatch policy is that no cash shortfall will occur within 3 years of such calculation and the maximum shortfall allowed beyond the 3 years is US\$50 million.

In case of non-compliance with this mismatch policy, (e.g. as a result of a project default), EAIF will not sign-up new Investments until the tenor mismatch position is restored to full compliance with the policy set out in this part F.



## APPENDIX 1

### POVERTY ELIMINATION CRITERIA

#### 1. POVERTY ELIMINATION BENEFITS

EAIF support should be to commercially sound Portfolio Companies that contribute to the elimination of poverty. Before supporting an Investment Opportunity, the Investec Credit Committee must therefore be satisfied that such company will provide at least one of the Benefits A, B or C below.

- A. Underpinning economic growth that assists either directly or indirectly in the elimination of poverty and the broader policies and context for poverty elimination and leading to social, environmental and or economic benefits for poor people; or
- B. Benefiting broad-based population groups including poor people and pro-actively addressing issues of equality and Barriers to participation or access to poor people; or
- C. Specifically promoting and enhancing the social, cultural and economic rights, interests and needs of poor people.

#### 2. SUBMISSION ON POVERTY ELIMINATION

In submitting an Investment Opportunity in accordance with the relevant provisions of Part 1 Schedule 1 of the Management Agreement, the Manager must include a brief submission that:

- a. Highlights the contribution the Investment Opportunity would make to the elimination of poverty in terms of Benefit A, B or C;
- b. Where Benefit B or C applies, identifies the elements of the Investment Opportunity that contribute to poor people benefiting or having their rights addressed directly; and
- c. Comments where appropriate on any Barriers to poor people benefiting or having their rights addressed.

#### 3. ASSESSING BENEFITS A, B AND C

Given the nature of the Eligible Sectors set out in Section 3 of Part B of the Investment Policy, it is expected that, in many cases, these contributions to poverty elimination will predominantly take the form of indirect effects, such as improved sustainable infrastructure provided to broad population groups leading to positive economic effects and indirect employment creation.

##### Examples of Benefit A

Examples of possible effects an Investment Opportunity could have that would provide Benefit A are set out in Annex 1. The Investec Credit Committee may (in consultation with the PIDG Ltd Credit Committee and if the PIDG Ltd Credit Committee considers appropriate, the board of directors of PIDG Ltd) consider that other effects will provide Benefit A.

## **Assessing Benefits B and C**

Some Investment Opportunities may provide Benefit B or C. These positive effects will be identified and outlined in the proposal. It will be for the PIDG Ltd Credit Committee (and if the PIDG Ltd Credit Committee considers appropriate in consultation with the board of directors of PIDG Ltd) to satisfy itself on a case-by-case basis that the Investment Opportunity will provide Benefit B or C.

## **Balancing Benefits and Barriers**

In all cases, the submission by the Manager must include a reasoned analysis of whether the Benefits an Investment Opportunity provides outweigh any negative effects on poor people. An illustrative, non-exhaustive list of possible Barriers to poor people benefiting from an Investment Opportunity is set out in Annex 2.

## **Additional Assessments**

Private sector participation in infrastructure services may take place in a context of elimination of direct or indirect subsidies. Such Investment Opportunities may therefore have a role in creating Barriers to poor people accessing those services.

In these cases, a more thorough assessment of the Investment Opportunity by an appropriately qualified third party or any other partner with an interest in the Portfolio Company or EAIF, where the Investec Credit Committee is satisfied that that party will provide an independent assessment, is required to provide an overview of all positive and negative effects on poor people and of any Barriers that exist. (In some cases, specific provisions might be introduced into the Investment Opportunity to mitigate the negative effect on poor people).

It is possible that another reputable lender or other interested party in an Investment Opportunity will have already prepared a report that provides such an overview. In this case, the Manager can provide this report instead of an original additional assessment.

Where the Manager does not provide such an assessment with its submission and the Investec Credit Committee finds that such an assessment is required, the Investec Credit Committee should call as soon as possible for an assessment. To avoid unduly delaying consideration of the Investment Opportunity, the Investec Credit Investment Forum may wish to review and approve an Investment Opportunity subject to this assessment being submitted to the Investec Credit Committee.

## **Decision by Committees and PIDG Ltd**

The Investec Credit Investment Forum, the Investec Credit Committee and where appropriate, the PIDG Ltd Credit Committee must then determine (in consultation with the board of directors of PIDG Ltd, if the PIDG Ltd Credit Committee sees fit) whether the Benefit provided by an Investment Opportunity will be reduced to an unacceptable level by the Barriers contained in that Investment Opportunity. If so, the Investment Opportunity should not be supported.

In deciding whether the Barriers reduce the Benefit to an unacceptable level, the Board will take into account that Investment Opportunities providing Benefit A may contribute to the elimination of poverty without providing significant direct benefits to poor people. Investment Opportunities providing Benefits B or C are expected to actively promote poverty elimination strategies. The Board will accept more Barriers if poor people receive direct benefits from an Investment Opportunity.

#### **4. DEFINITIONS**

Barrier	A barrier to poor people benefiting from an Investment Opportunity. An illustrative list of barriers is given in Annex 2.
Local	The country or countries in which an Investment Opportunity will be implemented and/or the relevant project is established.
Poor Person	A person known or reasonably thought to be living on “a \$ a day” as described in Box 2.1 of Chapter 1 of the World Development Report 20010/2001: <i>Attacking Poverty</i> or being assessed as poor applying some other measure of poverty described in that Report.
Support	The commercial loan, guarantee or other financial assistance provided by EAIF to the relevant Portfolio Company.

## Annex 1 – Examples of Benefit A

Examples of possible Benefit A effects could include:

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| (i)    | enhanced public services:                    | the Portfolio Company will provide new or substantially improved access to basic infrastructural services to a broad population;  |
| (ii)   | employment creation:                         | the Portfolio Company will generate short and long-term employment, directly and indirectly, for local people;  |
| (iii)  | linkages to the local economy:               | a high percentage of a Portfolio Company's budget is spent in the local economy;  |
| (iv)   | effect on government revenue:                | the Portfolio Company pays taxes/royalties to the local government and does not seek/receive any government subsidies;  |
| (v)    | effect on foreign currency generation:       | the Portfolio Company generates hard currency either by exports or removing the need for certain imports;   |
| (vi)   | social and economic impact:                  | a positive impact on different groups affected by the Portfolio Company in terms of increased incomes, enhanced skills, better health, social organisation or access to natural resources and other positive effects; |
| (vii)  | effect on local markets/competition:         | the Portfolio Company will prompt competition between relevant providers and lead to improved quality, lower pricing or changes in government policy;   |
| (viii) | innovation/technology transfer:              | the Portfolio Company introduces new technology or training, innovation, investment and training of local staff relating to technology to an area/country;  |
| (ix)   | contribution to capital markets development: | the Portfolio Company has either equity or a debt instrument, which is publicly traded.   |

## Annex 2 – Examples of Possible Barriers

Examples of possible barriers to poor people benefiting from a Portfolio Company would include:

- a. inappropriate charging: whilst it is recognised that charging needs to ensure it is commercially viable on a sustainable basis, excessive fees for connection costs or an overly high fixed cost element in tariff structures will be deemed inappropriate;
- b. exclusivity arrangements that prevent alternative solutions even where utility provision is not available;
- c. poorly designed Portfolio Companies which:
  - i. reduce affordability for the poor, for instance through overly elaborate or inappropriate technology;
  - ii. further marginalise poor people already disadvantaged for lack of relevant knowledge or skills;
  - ii. do not include appropriate consultation and/or participation in project design;
  - iv. where relevant, create or fail to address barriers relating to gender, age or disability;
  - v. unreasonably exclude access for poor people willing to pay (at an economically justified rate in the context of the Portfolio Company) for infrastructure services through proposed geographical area/or service area cover.
- d. any other barrier which, in the view of the Investec Credit Committee, unnecessarily excludes poor people with a willingness to pay for an infrastructure service at an economically justified rate in the context of the Portfolio Company.

## APPENDIX 2

### PROJECTS EXCLUSION LIST

This Project Exclusion List defines the types of projects that EAIF shall not finance.

#### Part (1)

- Production or trade in any product or activity deemed illegal under host country laws or regulations or international conventions and agreements, or subject to international bans, such as pharmaceuticals, pesticides/herbicides, ozone depleting substances, PCB's, wildlife or products regulated under CITES.
- Production or trade in weapons and munitions.<sup>1</sup>
- Production or trade in alcoholic beverages (excluding beer and wine).<sup>1</sup>
- Production or trade in tobacco.<sup>1</sup>
- Gambling, casinos and equivalent enterprises.<sup>1</sup>
- Production or trade in radioactive materials. This does not apply to the purchase of medical equipment, quality control (measurement) equipment and any equipment where the Investec Credit Committee considers the radioactive source to be trivial and/or adequately shielded.
- Production or trade in unbonded asbestos fibers. This does not apply to purchase and use of bonded asbestos cement sheeting where the asbestos content is less than 20%.
- Drift net fishing in the marine environment using nets in excess of 2.5 km. in length.

A reasonableness test will be applied when the activities of the project company would have a significant development impact, but circumstances of the country require adjustment to Part (1) of this Projects Exclusion List.

All financial intermediaries (FIs) except those engaged in activities specified below\*, must apply the following exclusions, in addition to Part (1) of this Projects Exclusion List:

- Production or activities involving harmful or exploitative forms of forced labor<sup>2</sup>/harmful child labor.<sup>3</sup>
- Commercial logging operations for use in primary tropical moist forest.
- Production or trade in wood or other forestry products other than from sustainably managed forests.

## Footnotes

- 1 This does not apply to project sponsors who are not substantially involved in these activities. "Not substantially involved" means that the activity concerned is ancillary to a project sponsor's primary operations.
- 2 Forced labour means all work or service, not voluntarily performed, that is extracted from an individual under threat of force or penalty.
- 3 Harmful child labour means the employment of children that is economically exploitive, or is likely to be hazardous to, or to interfere with, the child's education, or to be harmful to the child's health, or physical, mental, spiritual, moral, or social development.

## APPENDIX 3

### ANTI-CORRUPTION, ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING AND COMBATING THE FINANCING OF TERRORISM

#### PART 1

##### 1. ANTI CORRUPTION

EAIF shall not engage in any Sanctionable Practices (being any Corrupt Practice, Fraudulent Practice, Coercive Practice, Collusive Practice, or Obstructive Practice, as those terms are defined and interpreted in accordance with the Anticorruption Guidelines set out in Part 2 of this Appendix 3) with respect to any Investment.

##### 2. ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING AND COMBATING THE FINANCING OF TERRORISM

EAIF shall, consistent with its business and investment profile, institute, maintain and comply with internal policies and controls for the purpose of ensuring that it will not enter into any transaction (i) with, or for the benefit of, any of the persons or entities named on lists from time to time promulgated by; or (ii) related to any activity from time to time prohibited by the United Nations Security Council or its committees pursuant to any resolution issued under Chapter VII of the United Nations Charter.

#### PART 2

##### ANTI-CORRUPTION GUIDELINES

The purpose of these Anticorruption Guidelines is to clarify the meaning of the terms “**Corrupt Practices**”, “**Fraudulent Practices**”, “**Coercive Practices**”, “**Collusive Practices**” and “**Obstructive Practices**” in the context of EAIF’s operations.

##### 1. CORRUPT PRACTICES

A “**Corrupt Practice**” is the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party.

##### INTERPRETATION

- 1.1 Corrupt practices are understood as kickbacks and bribery. The conduct in question must involve the use of improper means (such as bribery) to violate or derogate a duty owed by the recipient in order for the payor to obtain an undue advantage or to avoid an obligation. Antitrust, securities and other violations of law that are not of this nature are excluded from the definition of corrupt practices.
- 1.2 It is acknowledged that foreign investment agreements, concessions and other types of contracts commonly require investors to make contributions for bona fide social development purposes or to provide funding for infrastructure unrelated to the project. Similarly, investors are often required or expected to make contributions to bona fide local charities. These practices are not viewed as Corrupt Practices for purposes of these definitions, so long as they are permitted under local law and fully disclosed in the payor’s books and records. Similarly, an investor will not be held liable for corrupt or fraudulent practices committed by entities that administer bona fide social development funds or charitable contributions.



- 1.3 In the context of conduct between private parties, the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of corporate hospitality and gifts that are customary by internationally-accepted industry standards shall not constitute corrupt practices unless the action violates applicable law.
- 1.4 Payment by private sector persons of the reasonable travel and entertainment expenses of public officials that are consistent with existing practice under relevant law and international conventions will not be viewed as Corrupt Practices.
- 1.5 The Trust does not condone facilitation payments. For the purposes of implementation, the interpretation of “Corrupt Practices” relating to facilitation payments will take into account relevant law and international conventions pertaining to corruption.

## 2. FRAUDULENT PRACTICES

A “**Fraudulent Practice**” is any action or omission, including misrepresentation that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain a financial benefit or to avoid an obligation.

### INTERPRETATION

An action, omission, or misrepresentation will be regarded as made recklessly if it is made with reckless indifference as to whether it is true or false. Mere inaccuracy in such information, committed through simple negligence, is not enough to constitute a “**Fraudulent Practice**” for purposes of this Agreement.

## 3. COERCIVE PRACTICES

A “**Coercive Practice**” is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party.

### INTERPRETATION

- 3.1 Coercive Practices are actions undertaken for the purpose of bid rigging or in connection with public procurement or government contracting or in furtherance of a Corrupt Practice or a Fraudulent Practice.
- 3.2 Coercive Practices are threatened or actual illegal actions such as personal injury or abduction, damage to property, or injury to legally recognizable interests, in order to obtain an undue advantage or to avoid an obligation. It is not intended to cover hard bargaining, the exercise of legal or contractual remedies or litigation.

## 4. COLLUSIVE PRACTICES

A “**Collusive Practice**” is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party.

## **INTERPRETATION**

Collusive Practices are actions undertaken for the purpose of bid rigging or in connection with public procurement or government contracting or in furtherance of a Corrupt Practice or a Fraudulent Practice.

### **5. OBSTRUCTIVE PRACTICES**

An “**Obstructive Practice**” is:

- a. deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making of false statements to investigators, in order to materially impede an investigation sanctioned by the PIDG Ltd Credit Committee or the board of directors of PIDG Ltd into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive or collusive practice, and/or threatening, harassing or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or
- b. acts intended to materially impede access to contractually required information in connection with such an investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive or collusive practice.

## **INTERPRETATION**

Any action legally or otherwise properly taken by a party to maintain or preserve its regulatory, legal or constitutional rights such as the attorney-client privilege, regardless of whether such action had the effect of impeding an investigation, does not constitute an Obstructive Practice.

## **GENERAL INTERPRETATION**

A person should not be liable for actions taken by unrelated third parties unless the first party participated in the prohibited act in question.