SAFIN Investment Prospectuses

Developing Investment Prospectuses for the Smallholder Finance and Investment Network (SAFIN)

Introduction

Purpose

- Identify national priorities and targets for agri-food & rural SME investments
- Provide guidance on existence information sources for evidence-based interventions
- Align relevant potential partners
- Join forces to mobilize new resources, and better use resources
- Pool efforts around innovation and scaling-up
- Support strategic knowledge agenda

Process

Scoping study of relevant literature & interviews

Identify key elements of an Investment Prospectus (IP) framework

Propose how SAFIN could further develop and operationalize IPs

Investment Prospectus approach

Design

Implement

Assess & Adapt

- ✓ Identify & secure relevant and committed stakeholder group incl. government
- ✓ Develop initial Theory of Change (ToC)
- ✓ Develop initial Investment Prospectus

- ✓ Develop & implement sub-sector action plans
- ✓ Develop and share regular implementation reports
- ✓ Update and adapt ToC & Investment Prospectus

- ✓ Develop and share the assessment report
- ✓ Consider final adaptations to the ToC
 & Investment Prospectus
- ✓ Develop an adapted design plan

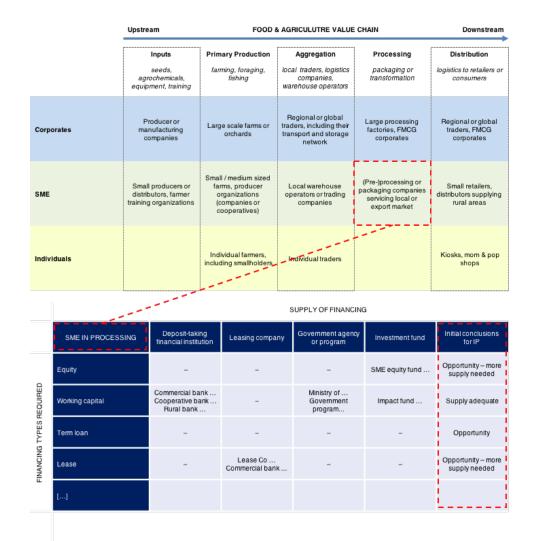
Investment Prospectus framework

Section	Items	Description
N/A	Cover page, definitions & acronyms, table of contents, tables & figures, executive summary, date, contact point	Note that these should ideally be consistent across SAFIN Investment Prospectuses
1: Introduction	Focus of the Investment Prospectus (IP) Background: Purpose of IP, Overview of SAFIN and other stakeholders involved in production of IP, Definition of SMEs applied, Stakeholders – descriptions and roles, Theory of change diagram, vision, Brief summary of country & sectors, Advice on "action" including contacts	Introduces what IP purpose, how it is developed (methodology) and aims & objectives of the IP
2: Country overview	Brief description of country, business environment (including investment, tax regulations), Government priorities, plans and strategies and relevant target indicators (include sources in annex), Description of relevant government institutions (ministries, regional divisions), Relevant contact points, e.g. FDI desks, regulators, authorities	Provides a general overview of the country, including how political decisions are made, how business is conducted and that opportunities and challenges investors face

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3: Sector overview(s)	For each sector or sub-sector: Overview (description of industry stakeholders and associations, sector profitability, opportunities & risks, Policies & regulations applying to sector Current programs and initiatives to support sector (including government subsidies) and attract investment – details to be provided in annex Investment opportunities (projects & programmes): these are one-page overviews with: Description, Activities, Lead organization & other stakeholders, Financing needs and gap analysis, Outcomes (financial and non-financial), Timeline, Relevant contacts	Provides an overview of the sector(s) under consideration (e.g. agriculture, banking), including specific shortlisted opportunities
Annexes	Information including: Historic economic data, Laws and regulations concerning (foreign) investment, Details on government priorities, plans and strategies, programs and initiatives to support sector(s) in target country, If applicable, (scientific) data on non-financial impact of activates in target sector	Detailed information for investors intending to pursue opportunity further

Using the Investment Prospectus guide



What is the problem you* are trying to solve?	Who is yourkey audience?	What is your entry point for reaching your audience?	What steps are needed to bring about change?	What are the measurable effects of your work?	What are the wider benefits of your work?	VISION What is the long term change you see as your goal?
What are your main assumptions?	What are your main assumptions?	What are your main assumptions?	What are your main assumptions?	What are your main assumptions?	What are your main assumptions?	Who are your stakeholders?

Financing need	Suitable financing type	Collateral	
Capital to establish or grow SME	Equity	None – shares are backed by the SME's assets net of its liabilities	
Operational expenses	Working capital	Assets of the SME or its owners, as well as guarantees from third parties	
Capital expenditure	Term loan	Assets of the SME or its owners, as well as guarantees from third parties	
Equipment leasing	Lease	Lessor retains ownership over lease object and can repossess it in case of default by lessee	
Post-harvest bridge financing	Receivables / trade finance	Produce and produce-related	