IFC Sustainable Infrastructure Advisory

About IFC
• Largest global development institution focused on the private sector in developing countries
• Offers long-term financing, industry-leading sector expertise, and an established track record in developing countries
• Promotes social, environmental, and corporate governance standards and advises on sustainability

SI Advisory Expertise
The Sustainable Infrastructure (SI) Advisory team helps increase benefits to local communities and address sustainability challenges. We offer a range of solutions aimed at mitigating social and environmental risks and at ensuring that development benefits are shared locally, specifically with women and youth.

• **Strategic Community Investment:** Helps clients design local benefit strategies that increase effectiveness of community investments and build social license to operate.

• **Local Economic Development:** Helps develop supply chains and build capacity of small to medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) for greater local benefit sharing.

• **Water Stewardship:** Establishes stakeholder partnerships to collectively address social risks related to water.

• **Transparency, Data & Voice:** Catalyzes multi-stakeholder dialogue and engagement among industry, government, and local leaders to improve transparency.

• **Government Capacity Building:** Improve governance by building the capacity of municipalities and local leaders and help them engage effectively.

• **Gender:** Develop opportunities to increase gender equality in operations by strengthening the capacity of clients, communities, and project teams to implement gender smart solutions.

• **CommDev.org:** Online platform for best practices and community-industry links, featuring multimedia content by the World Bank Group and partners.

Selected SI Advisory Engagements

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Countries where SI Advisory has implemented programs

[Map of engaged countries and organizations]
Selected SI Advisory Projects

**Apurimac, Peru | Revenue Management**
Helped seven municipalities improve their investment management to better respond to the local population’s needs. Promoted participatory planning and accountability and enhanced the capacity of local leaders to participate in municipal investment decisions. $11 million of additional investment enabled in key sectors such as water, education, and roads.

**City of Bogota, Colombia | Stakeholder Engagement**
Developed a community engagement strategy based on identified risks during construction and operation of a cable car system in an underdeveloped city area. Strengthened existing protocols to help the city engage with communities more effectively and improve interinstitutional coordination. The city has since applied the revised engagement protocols for other community-facing projects.

**Oyu Tolgoi, Mongolia | Water Stewardship**
Convened the South Gobi Water and Mining Industry Roundtable to help 11 companies develop and sign a voluntary code of practice on water management and water stewardship in the desert region. Trained 1,500 stakeholders on mining and groundwater management.

**Compagnie des Bauxites de Guinée, Guinea | Community Rail Safety**
Designed training tools and material for promotion of rail safety and facilitated the formation of a multi-stakeholder rail safety committee. Assessed opportunities to employ local youth and contract local SMEs through community rail safety.

**Nepal Water and Energy Development Company | Strategic Community Investment**
Develop a local shares allocation plan for the Upper Trishuli hydropower project. In Nepal, the emerging practice is for companies to issue up to 10% of shares as local shares to local community members.

**Nachtigal Hydro Power Company, Cameroon | Strategic Community Investment**
Ongoing collaboration to strengthen Nachtigal’s community engagement efforts, particularly with women, and building capacity of local partners to deliver effective community programs. Strengthening local content strategy and procedures to source goods and services from community and national suppliers, including women-owned businesses. Promoting a workplace environment supportive of both male and female employees. Over 50 women were interviewed and their perspectives incorporated into the ongoing advisory engagement.

**Sierra Rutile Limited | Strategic Community Investment**
Ongoing collaboration with SRL in the Republic of Sierra Leone to deliver inclusive development opportunities for local businesses and communities and improve company–community dialogue. The program will engage various stakeholder groups—local businesses, farmers, local partner organizations, women and youth among others—aiming to reach over 1500 people in 2 districts.

Knowledge & Thought Leadership
- Local Benefit Sharing in Large-Scale Wind and Solar Projects
- Guide to Community Engagement for Public-Private Partnerships (Draft for Discussion)
- Data for a Stronger Social License
- Toolkit: Unlocking Opportunities for Women and Business
- Sustainability Exchange: Gathering of industry, government, civil society, and community
- CommDev.org: Publications, videos, articles, blogs

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