

## Coordination with Donors

The IDBG has been a key facilitator in donor coordination. The successful role of the IDBG as facilitator among Donors, its experience in mobilizing donor resources (such as the EU and the WBG's GEF Program) and comparative advantage of being the only institution with in-country presence, will contribute to leveraging and mobilizing additional resources to implement the proposed priorities.

Consistent with the IMF SBA and collaboration with other donors under that arrangement, IDBG support will be predicated on Government's commitment to complete the envisioned reform agenda.

From an operational standpoint, non-financial products and coordination with other donors should contribute to an efficient flow of knowledge and targeted resources to support different sectors such as Health, including enhancing the surveillance and response capacity at the Ministry of Health to address International Health Regulations issues to prevent and control infectious diseases such as Zika, Ebola and Chikungunya, as well as non-communicable diseases (NCDs).

There is also considerable scope to leverage incremental grant support from other IFIs and bilateral donors given the donor coordination mechanism that is established in Suriname.

As mentioned above, coordination mechanisms exist and will be strengthened with other multilateral and official donors. There is an established network for donor coordination in Suriname that meets formally monthly and is self-coordinating. The IDBG works closely with other development partners, in particular, the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB), the French Development Agency, the European Union (EU) and the OPEC Fund for International Development (OFID). There is potential for a partnership to develop with the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB). The **IsDB** has been working in **Education<sup>1</sup> and Health**, among others, and is open to exploring and initiating new business and investment opportunities in both the public and private sectors. The IDB works closely with the **IMF**, under the **Stand-By Arrangement (SBA)** that is at present being implemented. Already US\$70 million has been provided by the IDB and US\$50 million disbursed by the **CDB** within the **Energy Sector Program**, which supports the SBA. Additionally, the CDB is engaged in **technical and vocational education and training** at the lower secondary school level. The **EU's Caribbean Investment Facility (CIF)** approved €5 million for Suriname in March 2015 for an **Energy** project, which will be implemented using IDB fiduciary policies. The IDB is also collaborating with AFD and CDB to support the **Water Sector** through the development of the Suriname Water Supply Master Plan.

The country team will continue to identify opportunities to leverage resources from co-financing and parallel financing partners, under the current Country Strategy. Moreover when the strategy proposes to use different IDBG instruments it also takes into consideration coordination with and interventions by other multilateral donors.

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<sup>1</sup> For example, in 2014 and 2015, the IsDB supported reforms in technical and vocational education and training projects, and is financing a new medical center in Paramaribo to improve and modernize healthcare.

**Active Donor-financed Operations**

Sector	Project No.	Title	IDB Approved Amount (US\$ million)	Donor	Parallel-financing Amount (US\$ million)
<b>PROJECTS WITH CO-FINANCING</b>					
Energy	SU-G1001	Development of Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency and Electrification	-	GEF	4.0
<b>PROJECTS WITH PARALLEL FINANCING FROM OTHER DONORS</b>					
Transport	SU-L1006 & SU-L1021	Meerzorg-Albina Integration Corridor Rehabilitation Project (two loans)	62.50 & 40.00	EU	24.00
				OFID	13.8
Energy	SU-L1036	Support to the Institutional and Operational Strengthening of the Energy Sector III	70.0	Caribbean Development Bank	50.0
Energy	SU-L1039	Support for the Implementation of the EBS Investment Plan	33.0	AFD (Under preparation)	33.125
Agriculture	SU-L1020	Agriculture Competitiveness	15.0	EU	
Energy	SU-L1036	Support to the Institutional and Operational Strengthening of the Energy Sector III	70.0	Caribbean Development Bank	50.0