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Project Investment Prospectus – Comoros Maritime Inter-Island Link

PROJECT SUMMARY	
Project Name	Maritime Link Between the Comoros Islands Projects
Location	Comoros Indian Ocean archipelago nation requiring maritime infrastructure for inter-island connectivity and economic integration
Sector	Transport
Sub-Sector	Maritime Infrastructure Inter-island maritime transport infrastructure supporting connectivity and economic development for archipelago nation
Development Stage	The project is in the Project Structuring stage (S3A) Advanced development stage ready for transaction structuring and financing arrangements within 2023-2028 implementation timeline
Project Sponsor	Transport Ministry of Comoros Government ministry providing institutional framework and coordination for national maritime transport infrastructure development
Project Cost	Project Cost Estimate : USD 88 Million USD Total investment requirement for maritime link establishment enhancing inter-island connectivity
Funding Requirement	48 Million USD External financing requirement representing financing gap for project implementation
Project Preparation Cost	4.4 Million USD Project preparation financing for technical studies and transaction support activities

Financing Structure	Loan 100% loan financing structure through development finance institution support
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FINANCIAL OVERVIEW	
Total Project Cost	88 Million USD Comprehensive maritime infrastructure investment for inter-island connectivity enhancement supporting 600,000 people
Capital Structure	100% loan Debt financing structure through development finance institution lending supporting government-led infrastructure development
Development Timeline	2023-2028 Five-year implementation timeline for maritime infrastructure development and commissioning within project structuring phase
Market Demand	600,000 people Total population served through enhanced inter-island maritime connectivity supporting economic development and social integration

SUSTAINABILITY AND IMPACT	
Social Impact	Provides affordable and regular transportation between islands, supporting tourism, trade, and reducing transportation costs. Significant socio-economic impact through improved accessibility, enhanced trade opportunities, tourism development, and reduced transport cost burden for island communities
Strategic Importance	Alignment with national or regional development goals, SDG 9 National development priority supporting economic integration and connectivity within Comoros archipelago aligned with sustainable development frameworks
SDG and Agenda 2063 Alignment	The maritime link project between the Comoros Islands aligns with SDG 9 (resilient infrastructure), SDG 8 (economic growth and job creation), and SDG 13 (climate resilience), as well as the agenda 2063, specifically Aspiration 1 (inclusive growth), Aspiration 2 (regional integration), and Aspiration 7 (sustainable development). It enhances connectivity, trade, and sustainable transport, contributing to the socio-economic transformation of the Comoros. Comprehensive alignment with continental and global development frameworks supporting sustainable transport, economic integration, and climate-resilient infrastructure development

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Project Description	Establishment of a maritime link to improve sea transportation among the Comoros Islands, enhancing inter-island connectivity. Maritime infrastructure development establishing regular transportation services connecting Comoros archipelago islands enabling improved mobility and economic integration
Infrastructure Scope	Maritime link establishment Inter-island maritime transport infrastructure development supporting regular and affordable transportation services across Comoros archipelago
Service Coverage	Comoros Islands inter-island connectivity Comprehensive inter-island connectivity solution addressing transportation gaps across Comoros archipelago supporting 600,000 population

RISK MANAGEMENT	
Risk Assessment	Maritime infrastructure development risks Standard maritime infrastructure risks including financing, construction, and operational challenges addressed through development finance institution support and government coordination
Regulatory Framework	Government-led infrastructure development Transport Ministry of Comoros providing institutional framework and regulatory oversight for maritime infrastructure development and operations
Environmental and Social Safeguards	Sustainable transport development Maritime infrastructure development aligned with SDG 13 climate resilience objectives and sustainable development principles for archipelago nation

KEY STAKEHOLDERS	
Sponsors	Transport Ministry of Comoros Government ministry providing institutional leadership and coordination for national maritime transport infrastructure development
Investors	AFDB, ISDB,WBG Development finance institution consortium including African Development Bank, Islamic Development Bank, and World Bank Group supporting maritime infrastructure financing
Implementation Support	AUDA-NEPAD coordination African Union Development Agency NEPAD providing technical coordination and transport infrastructure development support

WAY FORWARD	
Investment Ask	USD 48 Million Financing requirement for maritime infrastructure development supporting inter-island connectivity for 600,000 people
Implementation Timeline	2023-2028 development timeline Five-year implementation schedule for maritime link establishment within project structuring phase coordination
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