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Efic MULTI-STAKEHOLDER FORUM – 11TH DECEMBER 2018 OUTCOMES

Efic’s tenth multi-stakeholder forum was held in Sydney on 11th December 2018. This document presents an overview of the meeting.

Agenda

1. Introductions (All)
2. Any other business to add? (All)

Participants

Participants were from the following organisations:

- Export Finance & Insurance Corporation (Efic)
- Animals Australia
- Caritas Australia
- Jubilee Australia
- The Australia Institute

Agenda and Outcomes

The forum participants had an active and productive discussion on the agenda items, each of which is briefly outlined below.

1 Complaints mechanism review

Efic provided an update of its complaints mechanism and its review processes. There was discussion on the type and number of complaints that Efic receives.

2 Animal welfare

Efic provided an update on a paper being prepared for publication.

Animals Australia raised the issue of antibiotics and antibiotic resistant bacteria and related problems from both animal welfare and human health perspectives.

3 Equator Principles review

Efic provided an update on the current review of the Equator Principles including discussions at the recent Equator Principles Association annual general meeting. Participants were encouraged to participate in the review, a key part of which will be consultation on draft changes to the Principles during the first quarter of 2019.

4 Efic's investment in energy projects – both clean energy and fossil fuels

Efic presented on several facets of its financing support for energy projects including Efic's mandate and the types of projects that Efic has been involved in.

5 Pacific Infrastructure Fund

There was a brief discussion on the Pacific Infrastructure Fund. Participants indicated that their interest included the potential to increase debt levels of countries that may access the fund.

6 Human rights due diligence

Topic held over to the next forum

7 Next Meeting

The next meeting of the forum will be in nominally six months (June 2019).