

Finnfund

 Profitable & sustainable impact investing in developing countries





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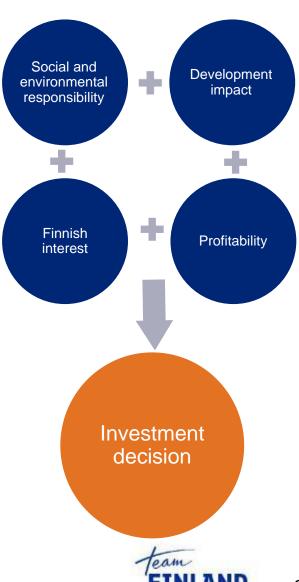
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Finnfund in brief

- Finnish development finance institution (DFI) with a long track record – profitable and sustainable projects in over 30 developing countries for 35+ years
 - Shareholders: State of Finland 93.8%, Finnvera Plc 6.1%, Confederation of Finnish Industries 0.1%
 - Finnish business interest and/or development policy interest
- Mission to provide financing for private companies in the developing world to improve peoples' lives and foster sustainable development
- Investing in loans, equity and mezzanine for up to 180 million euros in over 20–30 projects annually
 - In August 2017, our portfolio and undisbursed commitments were about 687 millions euros
- Commercial market-based documentation added with DFI standards
- Finnfund brings additional risk taking capacity compared to other financiers – we are able to take higher risk which is also reflected in higher returns.
- Team of 77 professionals, based in Helsinki (incl. Finnpartnership)

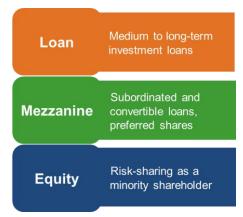




Impact investing for 35+ years

- Aiming to foster sustainable development and achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by empowering sustainable and profitable businesses in developing markets
- Projects with good development impacts and responsible implementation – both greenfield projects and expansion projects
- High risk appetite providing long-term financing for projects that otherwise might not happen
- Annually ¾ of the invested volume go to least developed countries and other low-income countries lower-middle-income countries post crises countries and regions
- Main industry focus on sustainable forestry and clean energy

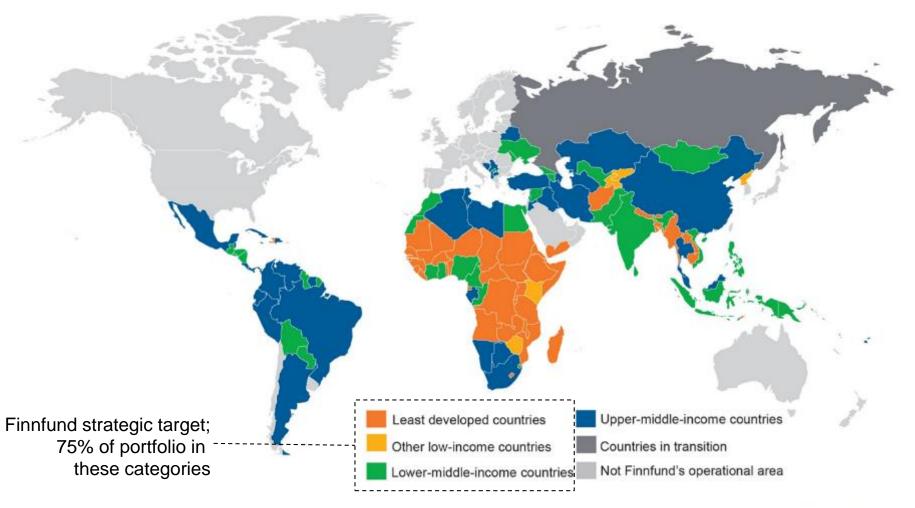








Finnfund's target countries by income level





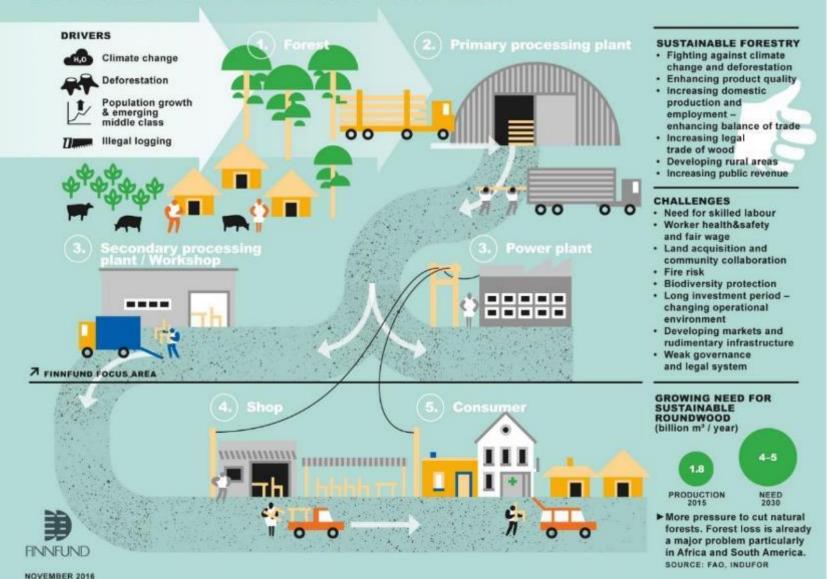
Focus area: Sustainable forestry

- Sustainable forestry is one of the two key industry sectors of Finnfund
 - Direct investments in more than 10 forestry companies
 - Many more companies supported through forestry funds
 - Investments in Africa, Asia and Latin America
 - Team specialized in sustainable forestry
- Commercial plantations and related industries, such as sawmills, panel & board mills
 - Emphasis on greenfield forestry and companies in transition phase to industrialization
 - Total 100.5 million euros (portfolio and commitments, as of August 2017)
- Planting more commercial forests is the only way to tackle the unsustainable equation of deforestation, growing population and increasing wood demand in developing countries.





SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY Value chain

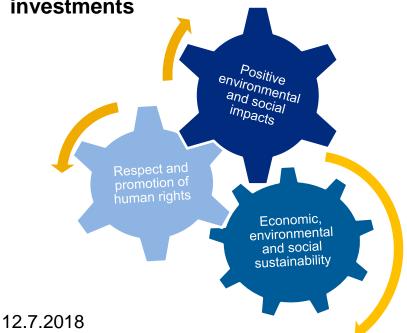




Sustainability is in the core of our business

We believe that sustainable business practices can have a positive impact on the competitiveness and financial performance of the company.

Key issues when assessing potential investments



Benefits of environmental and social sustainability

- Improved operational and financial performance
- Risk management guard against unforeseen risks and impacts
- Competitive advantage
- Enhanced community support and social license to operate





IFC Performance Standards

1 Assessment and management of environmental and social risks and impacts

Identifying E&S risks and impacts, and managing E&S performance throughout the life of a project.

2 Labor and working conditions

Recognizes that the pursuit of economic growth through employment creation and income generation should be balanced with protection of basic rights for workers.

3 Resource efficiency and pollution prevention

Recognizes that increased industrial activity generate higher levels of air, water and land pollution, and that there are efficiency opportunities.

4 Community health, safety, and security

Recognizes that projects can bring benefits to communities, but can also increase potential exposure to risks and impacts from incidents, structural failures, and hazardous materials.

5 Land acquisition and involuntary resettlement

Applies to physical or economic displacement resulting from land transactions such as expropriation or negotiated settlements.

6 Biodiversity management and sustainable management of living natural resources

Promotes the protection of biodiversity and the sustainable management and use of natural resources.

7 Indigenous peoples

Aims to ensure that the development process fosters full respect for Indigenous Peoples.

8 Cultural heritage

Aims to protect cultural heritage from adverse impacts of project activities and support its preservation.





Environmental and social sustainability in the financing process

Familiarisation with the project

Preparing the investment proposal

Legal agreements and disbursement

Cooperation & monitoring

- Finnfund introduces its environmental and social principles to the project company
- The project company provides the initial information used in the assessment of the project
- E&S risk categorization
 (C, B, B+, A) and human rights
- Finnfund plans the environmental and social due diligence taking into account the anticipated impacts and risks.

- Obtaining additional information (e.g. with questionnaires) and site visits
- Finnfund's advisers analyse the information, compare the project to the requirements of international guidelines and standards, and identify possible areas of improvement
- Finnfund's advisers discuss the results of their assessment and, where necessary, draft an E&S action plan together with the project company.
 An E&S review is prepared to support the investment proposal.

- Environmental and social covenants and undertakings are agreed upon (including conditions precedent for disbursement)
- Environmental and Social Action Plans as well as E&S reporting formats are annexed to the legal agreements.
- Implementation of the E&S action plan (with Finnfund's support to the project company)
- Annual E&S reporting
- E&S monitoring visits
- Notification requirement of unusual events, incidents and accidents
- If needed, discussions on possible corrective actions and improvements.







Third party timber is needed > Outgrower systems

- Companies integrate small holders and communities to supply chains
- Transfer of knowledge and technology (e.g. improved genetic material)
- Can require significant investment from the company but also in company interest to secure long term supply
- Can provide complementary livelihoods to local people and communities





Clarity on land is needed > Processes to clarify land and resource tenure

- Companies can help in securing land and resource tenure – e.g. joint mapping, boundary clarification, help in registering land – typically needed prior to any operations start
- Formalized access arrangements on ecosystem services – e.g. memorandum of understanding or other agreements on access





Land is needed > Evolving models for land acquisition

- From concessions to leasing land from farmers and communities
- Benefits negotiated jointly, may include e.g. payments, community projects, employment opportunities, agroforestry opportunities, swapping of services
- Also full supply by communities





Service provision by local communities

- Some investees are jointly with local communities developing new service provision models
- Performance based remuneration for services provided (detection of fire, theft, environmental issues etc.)
- From donor and recipient to business partners





Some key lessons on company-community collaboration

- Companies and communities can find different mutually beneficial ways to collaborate
- Companies and communities can do business together
- Need to build and maintain a good basis for partnerships:
 - Understand the country and local context and any related past legacies and also how company operations may affect these
 - Understand local culture and legal and customary ownership and land use patterns
 - Carry out broad and well documented stakeholder dialogues and maintain continuous dialogue throughout company life span
 - Clarity on land and resource tenure
 - Design company operations to match the local context and find mutually beneficial ways to operate
 - Invest in local communities, capacities and relationships
 - Avoid raising expectations which cannot be met
- Public sector has an important role in supporting and promoting the responsibly operating forest companies

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