

U.S. Overseas Private Investment Corporation

Supporting private sector investment in Asia-Pacific



As the U.S. government's development finance institution, the Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) mobilizes private investment to address development challenges and stimulate economic growth in emerging economies. OPIC offers long term capital and risk mitigation tools including financing, political risk insurance, and support for private equity funds. Working with the U.S. private sector, OPIC helps U.S. businesses start and grow in emerging markets, catalyzing revenues, jobs and growth opportunities both at home and in the host country.

Agency Profile

- **Current portfolio:** \$18 billion
 - ◇ \$12.7B Investment Finance
 - ◇ \$2.2B Investment Funds
 - ◇ \$3.1B Political Risk Insurance
- **Portfolio presence:** Active projects in over 100 countries

Based on Fiscal Year 2013 data

Since 1974, OPIC has committed more than \$6.6 billion to advance over 438 projects in countries in Asia: much of this investment has focused on infrastructure, energy (including renewable energy), and microfinance and small business lending. The Agency currently supports 26 projects with \$1 billion of commitments in the Asia-Pacific region.

Reflecting OPIC's continued commitment to Asia-Pacific, in 2014 OPIC opened its second international office in Thailand to better support regional economic growth and investment.

OPIC's tools to support private sector investment

Loans & Guarantees

Long-term financing with fixed or floating interest rates through direct loans or loan guaranties, in amounts of up to \$250 million and tenors extending up to 20 years.

Political Risk Insurance

Coverage of up to \$250 million for protection against investment risks including governmental interference (e.g., expropriation, changes in law, and breach of contract by a government off-taker), political violence, and currency inconvertibility.

Investment Funds

OPIC provides support for the creation of privately-owned and managed investment funds, including renewable energy and renewable resources investment funds.

Eligibility for OPIC Support

- OPIC must be open for business in the host country
- A U.S. citizen or business must have meaningful involvement in the project
- There must be a lack of or insufficient appetite from private sector sources to provide appropriate or adequate financing or insurance
- The project must meet OPIC policy requirements, including environmental, social, labor and U.S. effects
- The investment must have sound economic and financial rationales and be supported by experienced sponsors and participants