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ITU	International Telecommunications Union	Geneva
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2. The Arab Development Funds and Investment Banks

Overview

The various Arab aid funds and investment banks have been an important source of financing for development and investment, particularly after 1973 when OPEC oil price increases brought new resources into the national treasuries of OPEC member states. The Arab aid programs, however, were already well established at this point. Kuwait had established a Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development (KFAED), which was followed in 1968 by the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development and, in 1971, by the Abu Dhabi Fund for Arab Economic Development (ADFAED). By December 31, 1986, the total commitments and disbursements of the 14 OPEC aid institutions were US$30.7 and 21.8 billion dollars respectively.

Since Canada and the other Western industrialized countries are not members of these institutions, they do not play a direct role in the operational activities.

The following outline is of a very general nature, intended to give the Canadian exporter an introduction to these institutions. Because Arab funds are not tied to procurement in Arab countries, Canadian suppliers are always eligible to bid on Arab-financed projects.

Types of Institutions

(i) Development Funds

Many of the Arab development funds are organizations sponsored multilaterally within the Arab world or, in the case of the OPEC Fund for International Development (OFID), multilaterally with mixed Arab and non-Arab participation. Other institutions are established and funded nationally. Ranked according to authorized capital as of December 31, 1986, the major institutions are as follows:

Name	Type	Location	Capital Authorized (US $M)	Loans Signed (US $M)
Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development	National Institution	Kuwait	6841	4254
Saudi Fund for Development	National Institution	Riyadh	6667	4486
OPEC Fund for International Development	Mixed Multilateral Institution	Vienna	3435	3207
Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development	Arab Multilateral Institution	Kuwait	2737	2802
Islamic Development Bank	Mixed Multilateral Institution	Jeddah	2415	6223
Iraqi Fund for External Development	National Institution	Baghdad	1125	845
Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa	Arab Multilateral Institution	Khartoum	1048	995
Abu Dhabi Fund for Arab Economic Development	National Institution	Abu Dhabi	545	1169