IFC in China
Creating Opportunity Where It’s Needed Most

IFC supports China’s sustainable economic development by investing in commercial enterprises and advising private sector projects, particularly those that help fight climate change, enable rural development and promote sustainable Chinese investments overseas.

China is IFC’s second-largest portfolio country. Since 1985, we have invested over $10 billion in about 330 projects. We also serve innovative sectors such as renewable energy, water, and microfinance.

IFC’s unique financing and advisory products combine global expertise with local knowledge, maximizing investment returns and social benefits.
Mitigating Climate Change
• IFC invests in and mobilizes partner banks to fund renewable-energy and energy-and-water-efficiency projects.
• We advise China’s regulators and financial institutions on adopting international environmental and social best practices.
• IFC client Industrial Bank became the first Chinese lender to adopt the Equator Principles for social and environmental risk management in project finance.

Promoting Balanced Rural-Urban Development
• IFC is one of the largest investors in China’s microfinance institutions and helps reduce the wealth gap between urban and rural areas.
• We support the growth of thousands of agricultural businesses and micro, small and medium enterprises.
• Through investment and advisory work, we improve infrastructure and food safety in China.

Supporting Sustainable Investments in Emerging Markets
• IFC supports Chinese companies to expand to other emerging regions like Africa through direct investment and capital mobilization.
• We promote the adoption of international environmental, social, and corporate-governance standards.
• China Development Bank and China Eximbank became the first Chinese lenders to participate in an IFC-syndicated parallel loan for a project in Africa (Ghana Vodafone).

Financial Products
• Equity
• Loans
• Local currency products
• Quasi-equity/convertibles
• Risk management products
• Structured finance
• Subnational finance
• Syndications
• Trade finance

Tailored Advice – Adding Value Beyond Financing
• IFC advises clients on how best to expand microfinance, mobile finance, small-and-medium-enterprise finance, sustainable-energy finance, carbon trading schemes, and trade finance.
• We promote environmental and social sustainability.
• We also help improve corporate governance, risk management, supply chain management, and other services.

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