

BAC Honduras and IDB Invest Strengthen Trade Financing for SMEs Through Strategic Alliance

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Tegucigalpa / Washington — IDB Invest and BAC Honduras have entered into a strategic alliance to increase access to trade finance for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in Honduras, fostering private sector growth and supporting the country's integration into global markets.

As the first step in this partnership, Carlos Handal, Executive President of BAC Honduras, and James Scriven, CEO of IDB Invest, signed a transaction under the Trade Finance Facilitation Program (TFFP). This represents IDB Invest's first engagement with BAC Honduras through the program.

The facility will provide short-term financing solutions to SMEs engaged in international trade, enabling them to secure working capital, manage cash flow, and seize cross-border business opportunities. By expanding the availability of trade finance products, the partnership will help strengthen competitiveness, resilience, and inclusion across Honduras' business sector.

The initiative is expected to create new business opportunities, foster greater inclusion, and strengthen the resilience of the Honduran business sector. It also marks the 20th anniversary of the TFFP, a flagship program that promotes regional access to global trade finance.

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