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## **HISTORY OF DUTERIMBERE-IMF PLC**

DUTERIMBERE-IMF PLC is a local community development microfinance institution that was established by DUTERIMBERE NGO. In the starting 1987, DUTERIMBERE NGO (a not-for-profit organization) was supporting micro-lending activities for women that had livelihood projects to undertake through guarantee funds deposited with Banque Populaire du Rwanda to cover the small loans.

However, from 1991, DUTERIMBERE NGO started giving direct credit to allow women's access to credit in large numbers. The loans were given in the first to women of the three provinces namely: Kigali, former Kibungo and former Butare. From 1995 to 1996, the business of providing loans had rapidly expanded and covered provinces of Rwanda. In order to ensure sustainable and continued provision of microfinance services and also comply with the emerging laws and regulation that were being enacted including Instruction No.06/2002 of the National Bank of Rwanda, DUTERIMBERE NGO created a microfinance institution "DUTERIMBERE-IMF PLC".

The institution was thereafter launched on March 6, 2004. DUTERIMBERE – IMF PLC was granted a license by the National Bank of Rwanda on September 15, 2005. Since expanded its outreach to several part of Rwanda, DUTERIMBERE-IMF PLC has 18 branches around the country all licensed by the National Bank of Rwanda.

DUTERIMBERE-IMF PLC works with individuals, cooperatives and different groups to provide them financial services and products comprising of saving and loans with attractive interests. It also provides the other services including technology services.