

Contract awarded for work on Ruzizi hydropower projects

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The European Union has awarded a contract worth US\$1.44 million to Studio Ing. G. Pietrangeli srl. of Italy to perform studies of a grid system and rehabilitation studies for several hydropower projects in East Africa.

The European Union (EU) [last solicited bids for the work in December 2011](#), which includes a grid system study for [the proposed 145-MW Ruzizi 3 hydroelectric complex](#) and rehabilitation studies for the 29.8-MW Ruzizi 1 and 43.8-MW Ruzizi 2 projects.

Ruzizi 1 is operated by the Democratic Republic of Congo's (DRC) Societe Nationale d'Electricite (SNEL), while Ruzizi 2 and 3 are operated by DRC, Rwanda, and Burundi's SINELAC.