Indeed, the South-West region, of which Toliara is the capital, offers a diversity of economic potentials. From mineral to fishery resources, solar energy and the cotton industry, which should soon be re launched, the region is rich in growth sectors which require a better connectivity for their development.

The airport of Toliara is located 7 km southeast of the city. With a terminal area of 3,022 square meters, the Toliara airport is the third largest airport in Madagascar, after those of Ivato and Mahajanga. It can simultaneously accommodate two Boeing 737 type aircrafts.

However, the current situation of the Toliara airport is characterized by the discrepancy between the airport infrastructure and the dimensions of large aircrafts that would like to operate the destination. The identified weaknesses that limit the airport’s development include the small size of the runway, both in width and length, insufficient aircraft parking stands, and the lack of equipment dedicated to air navigation safety and security.

The project to develop and extend the Toliara airport aims to improve air connectivity between the regions of Madagascar and with the outside world by bringing the technical and commercial operation of the airport up to standards in order to accommodate A340 or B777 type large aircrafts. The goal is to make the platform the hub of the country’s southern region.
ADEMA is turning to private investors in view of establishing a partnership relationship. The company also intends to build on the international expertise of its future partner(s), to enable the Toliara airport to optimize its development.

**Expected results:**
- Airport able to accommodate A340 and B777 type large aircrafts