

Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name:	TERGOOI HILVERSUM HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT
Project Number:	2020-0018
Country:	Netherlands
Project Description:	The project concerns the replacement and consolidation of two outdated hospitals in one new building in Hilversum.
EIA required:	no
Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise:	no

Environmental and Social Assessment

The project supports the replacement of two existing but outdated hospital buildings with a new facility in Hilversum as well as the extension and rehabilitation of one existing building. Hospitals and related facilities are not specifically mentioned in the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU as amended by 2014/52/EU on Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), though the project is covered by Annex II of the Directive in relation to urban development. In the case of urban development, the Directive has been transposed in the national legislation with regard to the establishment of land use and urban development plans. The foreseen construction works will all be carried out next to the existing site in an area that is covered by an existing urban development plan (www.planmonnikenberg.nl) and the promoter confirmed that no EIA has been requested by the Competent Authority for the actual project while issuing the relevant building permits.

In respect to energy consumption, the new hospital building has been designed with an energy performance which will be more than 30% below the current legal requirements for NZEB buildings in the Netherlands. Due to the preplacement of the two existing buildings with the new facility, the expected energy consumption will be decreased by 16,000 MWh/a or 4,700 tons of CO₂/a.

Conclusions and Recommendations

As the project covers construction works within, or close to, the existing hospital, no significant impact is expected on the environment. Overall, the replacement of the outdated building will improve hygiene and safety conditions and will allow the promoter to apply better stringent statutory and technical conditions. By enabling a better coordination between the different departments of the hospital, the project will enable the introduction of better and more cost effective methods for medical treatment and includes beneficial elements in terms of social cohesion and protection.

Due to the use of new materials and technologies, the new and rehabilitated buildings will increase the overall energy efficiency. In light of the above, the project is considered acceptable for EIB financing.