



European Investment Bank (EIB)

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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview

Project Name:	RCSI Campus Development
Project Number:	2016-0225
Country:	Ireland
Project Description:	The project consists of new construction, extension and refurbishment to expand and modernise the learning and teaching environments providing state-of-the-art facilities at the RCSI affecting six buildings across its locations in Dublin. NAEB, a new academic and education building will be built to house new research laboratories, mock operating theatres, a 500-seat auditorium, sports facilities and seminar spaces. An additional space will be provided to expand the research and teaching facilities at the Smurfit building located at Dublin's Beaumont Hospital, a primary teaching hospital for the College. In addition, renovation and refurbishment will take place to a number of buildings at the St Stephen's Green campus to modernise research laboratories, libraries and recreational space for staff and students as well as implement a variety of energy efficiency measures.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

EIB notes the following key Environmental and Social outcomes at Project Completion.

During the project's implementation, the Promoter confirmed that no significant environment or social issues were noted. The Promoter has provided evidence to the Bank on the screening out of the principal new academic and education building, known as 26 York Street. The Promoter has confirmed that 26 York Street achieved a Gold LEED rating and a copy of its Display Energy Certificate (DEC), which shows the building's overall energy performance to be lower than similar buildings. 26 York Street has also received many accolades and awards including 2018 Building of the Year and Educational Building of the Year at Ireland's Building and Architect of the Year Awards as well as winning the Royal Institute of Architects of Ireland's 2018 Educational Building and People's Choice Award¹.

The Mercer Library renovations, which included replacement of the heating and ventilation installations, achieved a 39% improvement on energy efficiency compared to before the renovation works.

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

EIB is of the opinion based on reports from the promoter during Construction that the Project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.

¹ <https://www.riai.ie/discover-architecture/awards-archive/26-york-street-rcsi>