

European Investment Bank (EIB)

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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview

Project Name: GRAND NANCY TRANSPORTS URBAINS

Project Number: 2012-0162 Country: France

Project Description: Acquisition of rolling stock to operate two new bus lines in

greater Nancy area, development of associated urban infrastructure for one line and redevelopment of Place Thiers.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

Both the development of the infrastructure associated to the operation of bus line 2 and the redevelopment of Place Thiers were subject to Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and corresponding public inquiry processes. Manufacturing of the new rolling stock took place in the manufacturer's plant and did not fall under the scope of the EIA Directive.

The Project was included in the applicable Plan de Déplacements Urbains and in the Schéma de Cohérence Territoriale of the Sud Meurthe-et-Moselle region, both of which had been subject to a Strategic Environmental Assessment.

The Project is located in an urban area and does not have any significant impact on Natura 2000 or nature conservation areas, as confirmed by the competent authority in a certificate received by the Bank at appraisal phase.

The Promoter confirmed that negative impacts during the construction phase remained limited to noises, temporary traffic disturbances, and dust emissions as anticipated at appraisal stage. The Promoter confirmed that contractors put in place mitigation measures to reduce such impacts as well as traffic disturbances during construction.

The Project was expected to generate positive social and environmental impacts thanks to low emission and energy efficient alternative mode to private cars, improved access to urban functions and, overall, an enhancement in the general quality of life.

At Project completion, the Promoter has confirmed positive impacts in terms of better protection for public transport and two-wheeled vehicles circulating in public road space, as well as a reduction in noise levels, pollutants and GHG emissions.

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

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