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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview	
Project Name:	POLAND SCIENCE & RESEARCH NATIONAL CENTRES V
Project Number:	2019-0041
Country:	Poland
Project Description:	The Project finances R&D projects procured on a competitive basis by the two national agencies in 2019 and 2020. The National Science Centre (NSC) in Krakow finances excellent, early-stage research projects. The National Centre for Research and Development (NCRD) in Warsaw has the mandate to finance applied R&D projects and downstream innovation activities of strategic importance performed by public research institutions in collaboration with business enterprises, including SMEs.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

The Project financed intangible basic and applied research activities and related costs, including some research material and equipment. The included R&D activities were carried out within existing facilities, making use of existing installation and within already authorised scope. Such activities create intangible assets (new knowledge and scientific discoveries), and therefore no Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) was required.

No significant environmental or social issues were noted.

At completion, the research activities conducted in the field of climate action (mitigation and adaptation) represented 3.6% of the project investment costs.

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

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