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## Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)<sup>1</sup>

### Overview

Project Name:	Incarlopsa Agro Food Investments
Project Number:	2016-0981
Country:	Spain
Project Description:	The project concerns the investment plan of a Midcap company for the expansion and upgrade of existing facilities in an EU assisted area (Castilla-La Mancha, Spain).

### Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

The project supported the modernization and capacity expansion of two of the Client's existing production sites in central Spain: (i) the slaughter and primary pig meat processing facilities at Tarancón (province of Cuenca), and; (ii) the ham curing and drying facilities at Corral de Almaguer (Toledo).

Only the slaughterhouse investment is typified under the IE Directive 2010/75 EU and Annex II of EIA Directive 2011/92/EC and its amendments.

The Competent authorities confirmed that a substantial modification of the integrated environmental permit based on a simplified environmental impact assessment was required. The procedure was completed in accordance with the Spanish/EU regulatory provisions and the corresponding modified integrated environmental permit was issued on 13 January 2017.

The capacity increase at the ham curing and drying facilities did not require an integrated environmental assessment as the production capacity at the site stays below the legal thresholds.

The project implemented best available process technology, therefore also ensuring a lower energy and water consumption per output while respecting emissions limits and animal welfare highest standard.

The main emissions to the environment are:

- (i) the exhaust gases from the onsite gas-boilers that supply the necessary steam and heat for the process;
- (ii) solid waste; and
- (iii) wastewaters from the slaughter process.

Solid waste and by-product streams are stored at appropriate sealed container facilities and removed for further processing by specialised service providers, officially accredited for the handling of the respective waste categories.

Wastewater from the process is pre-treated at site to the level of specifications required by the public Waste Water Treatment system of the city of Tarancón before release into the public sewage system.

Due to the capacity of the wastewater treatment system, the authorities have limited the daily throughput and emissions at slaughterhouse facilities at 6,200 pigs/day and 550,000 m<sup>3</sup> wastewater/year, which is below the design capacity of the plant.

<sup>1</sup> The template is for ILs and FLs



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For information, although out of the EIB's scope of intervention, the promoter built a new wastewater treatment plant, requested the capacity extension on the 10/07/2019, and subsequently modified its request in 2021 to consider further development.

The client renewed its Environmental Management System (EMS) certified ISO 14001, Quality Management System (ISO 9001) and Occupational Health and Safety Management System (OHS 18001) in place at all its facilities.

The client applies strict animal welfare, hygiene and safety protocols for the raising (by third parties), transport and reception, stabulation and slaughter of animals that meet and/or go beyond the EU and Spanish official standards. Following regulatory requirements, operations are under continuous monitoring by an official veterinary team that is permanently present during slaughter activities.

The modernization project improved the animal welfare conditions by incorporating best available techniques and practice prior and during the sacrifice process. Operations and procedures undergo regular internal and official audits by the sanitary authorities. All meat produced by the promoter is fully traceable from the weaning farms to the supermarket.

The industrial sites do not affect any area of special conservation value (e.g. Natura 2000).

The client has reported no environmental issues.

All E&S conditions, undertakings, and request of information have been met.

**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.