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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)¹

Overview

Project Name:	EXTENSION TRAMWAY RABAT SALE
Project Number:	2016-0016
Country:	Morocco
Project Description:	Le Projet porte sur la construction de l'extension de la deuxième ligne de tramway du réseau de Rabat-Salé sur une longueur d'environ 7 km avec 13 stations, dont 2,4 km avec 4 stations dans la ville de Rabat et 4,6 km avec 9 stations dans la ville de Salé. Le Projet inclut également l'acquisition du matériel roulant nécessaire à l'exploitation future du réseau, soit 11 rames en composition double.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

The Project was subject to Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), with the final report issued in July 2017 and published on the EIB's website.

Formal public inquiry processes were conducted first in February 2017 (Rabat) and April 2017 (Salé) in the context of the widening of the whole road corridors, a separate project which was already anticipating the construction of the tramway.

A second round of consultation took place in February 2018 (Salé) and May 2018 (Rabat), specifically for the Project and its ESIA, with a final approval of the environmental authority issued in May 2019. Related evidence was a condition precedent to first disbursement and was duly delivered by the Promoter.

The Project is located in a dense urban environment and no adverse impacts on protected nature conservation sites or biodiversity were anticipated at appraisal, which is confirmed at completion stage.

Temporary environmental impacts during the construction phase were considered as typical for this type of projects and mainly linked to civil works in terms of noise and air pollution, vibrations and traffic diversions. Such impacts were considered in the Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan and duly mitigated. The Environmental Monitoring Plan were a condition precedent to disbursement and were duly delivered by the Promoter.

¹ The template is for ILs and FLs



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The Promoter has monitored the application of such plans during implementation according to the above-mentioned plans, while the overall Project has been subject to the EIB's usual monitoring activities as foreseen at appraisal.

The Promoter has confirmed in its completion report that mitigation measures were implemented as foreseen, including but not limited to waste disposal plans, watering of working sites and traffic management. Additional green areas were created over a surface of some 4,5 ha, including the plantation of 1815 new trees and the transplantation of existing 289 ones. The Promoter also estimates a reduction in energy consumption during operation of 290 TEP and a reduction of greenhouse gas emissions of 1095 tonnes thanks to modal shift.

The Project was also expected to have social impacts on existing economic activities, namely mobile vendors, taxi drivers and few commercial activities. A Livelihood Restoration Plan addressing these issues was a condition to first disbursement and was duly prepared and implemented by the Promoter.

Finally, a Stakeholder Engagement Plan was a condition to first disbursement in order to complement disclosure of key environmental and social plans following the initial public consultation. The Promoter delivered this plan to the satisfaction of the Bank.

EIB notes the following key Environmental and Social aspects to be monitored during operations:

Based on the information provided by the Promoter at completion, the Bank does not consider that there are outstanding environmental and social risks that need to be monitored during operation.

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

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