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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview

Project Name: Project Number: Country: Neue Fahrzeuge U-Bahn Nürnberg 2015-0257 Germany

Project Description: The project consisted of procuring and putting into operation of new rolling stock (trains) for the Nuremberg underground servicing the Cities of Nuremberg and Fuerth in the German federal state of Bavaria.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

The existing rolling stock reached its calculated service life by 2019. The new rolling stock enhanced environment and passenger friendliness and energy efficiency, and offered other benefits such as barrier-free access and increased pram space, among other things.

Since January 1st 2023, the rolling stock to be replaced are no longer used for passenger service. With the exception of a few vehicles, these end-of-life vehicles have already been scrapped by a certified waste disposal company near Nuremberg after they have been phased out.

The construction of the new trainsets took place in the manufacturer's plants. Based on the award decision for the procurement of the new subway vehicles in 2015 and the associated standardisation and expansion of the vehicle fleet, the subway depot had to be adapted to the new maintenance requirements.

The new rolling stock will facilitate the use of public transport to people with reduced mobility: the wide doors and the spacious multifunctional areas as well as the gap bridging on all doors contribute to better accessibility for people with wheelchairs, children and old people. Strips make it easier for visually impaired passengers to find the door opening button and safety devices are also marked in Braille.

Overall, the project is expected to have a positive impact on the city's overall transport conditions and on the quality of the urban environment, enhancing the attractiveness of public transport and preventing the use of private cars.

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.