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## Environmental and Social Data Sheet<sup>1</sup>

### Overview

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| Project Name:  | Germitec (IEU LS)   |
| Project Number:  | 2023-0385   |
| Country:   | France  |
| Project Description:   | The Promoter is specialised in the High-Level Disinfection of probes using its proprietary Ultraviolet Light High-Level Disinfection (UV-C HLD) technology. Since its inception, it has been leading the way in developing sustainable and eco-friendly UV-C High-Level Disinfection technologies for reprocessing non-lumen medical devices. |
| EIA required:  | No  |
| Invest EU sustainability proofing required                   | Yes   |
| Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise <sup>2</sup> : | No  |

### Environmental and Social Assessment

#### Environmental Assessment

The Promoter is a French medical technology company that is specialised in the automated high-level disinfection of medical probes using its proprietary Ultraviolet Light High-Level Disinfection technology. The technology doesn't use chemicals nor consumables for operation, thus limiting waste and exposure to disinfection chemicals. The project supports the Promoter's development of its next generation devices without mercury, in line with EU regulations to eliminate mercury (EU 2017/852). The Promoter is a SME that is ISO 13485 certified and received their first product CE mark in 2008.

The project supports investments in research and development activities to be carried out in existing facilities without changing their already authorised scope, which includes all required environmental permits. The research and development activities of the project do not fall under either Annex I or Annex II of the EU Directive 2014/52/EU amending Directive 2011/92/EU, therefore an EIA procedure is not required.

#### Climate Assessment

The project has been assessed for Paris alignment and is considered to be aligned with both low-carbon and resilience goals as per the policies set out in the Climate Bank Roadmap and/or associated guidance and other relevant documents (e.g. the Energy Lending Policy).

<sup>1</sup> The information contained in the document reflects the requirement related to the environmental, social and climate information to be provided to Investment Committee as required by the Invest EU Regulation and it represents the equivalent of the information required in the template of the InvestEU sustainability proofing summary

<sup>2</sup> Only projects that meet the scope of the Carbon Footprint Exercise, as defined in the EIB Carbon Footprint Methodologies, are included, provided estimated emissions exceed the methodology thresholds: 20,000 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e/year absolute (gross) or 20,000 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e/year relative (net) – both increases and savings.



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The Promoter is in scope but screened out of the PATH framework as it does not operate in a high-emitting sector, and it is not considered as a highly-vulnerable counterpart.

### **Social Assessment**

The Promoter's R&D facilities and practices comply with relevant national and EU regulations and the promoter maintains adequate internal procedures and management practices, especially with regard to labour standards and occupational health and safety.

### **Other Environmental and Social Aspects**

Through the R&D activities and investments, the project will support the Promoter to create additional highly-skilled jobs, while positively contributing to European scientific innovation, hence fostering and nurturing the vital research community.

## **Conclusions and Recommendations**

The Promoter has effective E&S policies and operating procedures in place, which are in line with industry standards.

The project concerns investments in research and development for which no significant impact on the environment is expected.

Sustainability proofing conclusion: The project is carried out in compliance with applicable national and EU environmental and social legislation. Based on the environment, climate and social (ECS) information, the review of the ECS risks and impacts and the management systems in place, the project is deemed to have low residual ECS risks and impacts. No further sustainability proofing is required.

Considering the above, taking into consideration the Environmental, Social and Climate impacts of this RDI project, including the capacity of the promoter and the overall net positive social impact, this project is deemed acceptable for the Bank's financing under environmental and social terms.