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Environmental and Social Data Sheet¹

Overview

Project Name:	<i>QUANTUM SURGICAL 2 (I-EU TI)</i>	
Project Number:	2023-0654	
Country:	France	
Project Description:	<i>The Promoter is a French commercial stage innovative medical device company that develops and commercialises a robotic platform to assist surgeons performing complex surgical procedures in a minimally invasive manner.</i>	
EIA required:	no	
Invest EU sustainability proofing required	yes	
Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise ² :	no	

Environmental and Social Assessment

Environmental Assessment

This new project supports the R&D and market access activities of a French medtech company aiming at setting new standards in cancer treatment by enabling more patients to benefit from better-targeted and less invasive treatments. The project will invest into further clinical validation, the regulatory approval and market access of the Company's Epione® robotic platform to treat hard to reach tumors in the abdomen and the lungs.

The project concerns investments in research and development activities carried out by the Promoter and its partners in existing facilities without changing their already authorised scope and covers both OPEX (e.g., personnel) and CAPEX (new and specialised equipment) to perform the high-end research and development activities.

The research and development activities of the project are not listed in Annex I or Annex II of the EU Directive 2014/52/EU amending 2011/92/EU. The project is considered to be aligned with the Paris Agreement, as defined in the EIB Climate Bank Roadmap.

¹ 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

² 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 CO₂e/year absolute (gross) or 20,000 tonnes CO₂e/year relative (net) – both increases and savings.



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EIB Paris Alignment for Counterparties (PATH) Framework

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

Other Environmental and Social Aspects

If successful, the project will contribute to the creation and deployment of advances in the field of precision non-invasive surgery addressing the most fundamental needs in cancer therapy i.e. tumor ablation across a different spectrum of oncology indications with significant unmet medical needs. The Company has already demonstrated its capacity to successfully introduce a product to the market with the CE-marking, FDA and NMPA approval in multiple indication as described above leaving now more room for commercial expansion.

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

The health and safety arrangements for the staff, especially those working with biological hazards, comply with relevant EU Directives and guidelines for workplaces, equipment, signs, personal protective equipment and exposure to biological agents at work according to the EU guidelines, and other relevant regulations.

Conclusions and Recommendations

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 and based on the review of the likely significant ECS risks and impacts and the mitigation measures and management systems in place, the project is deemed to have low residual ECS risks and impact. 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.