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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview	
Project Name:	GRUPA AZOTY MODERNISATION PROGRAMME
Project Number:	2014-0486
Country:	Poland
Project Description:	Revamping of ammonia plants, installation of fertilizer granulation lines and construction of a polyamide (PA6) plant at three of the promoter's locations in order to modernize and optimize existing fertilizer and chemical installations.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

The project concerned the modernisation and optimisation of existing chemical and fertilizer installations to enable long term and more energy-efficient continuation of activities. The project applied Best Available Technologies (BAT) i.e. dust filters, scrubbers, increased water recycling and recirculation of wastewater sludge in the production process as well as new process technology that allowed for a more optimal energy performance of the production, and in a reduction of operating and maintenance costs.

The promoter informed the EIB services on the outcomes of the EIA procedures, and confirmed at PCR the implementation of the project in compliance with the permit requirements. For the new granulation lines and the PA6 plant a full EIA was requested, the revamping of the ammonia plant received a screening out decision based on the characteristics of the project and the information provided by the promoter in the context of the EIA screening procedure.

Since 2014 the company has made substantial strides in becoming a more sustainable and climate friendly producer. In 2021, Grupa Azoty Group announced its business strategy until 2030, a specific action plan driven by the Group's climate neutrality and energy transition goals. The strategy is the Group's response to the requirements of the European Union's climate policy. Specific initiatives, including those focused on environmentally friendly captive energy generation, the need to reduce emissions and decarbonise the business, have been presented in 'Green Azoty', the Group's strategic corporate project.

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.