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## **Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)**

## **Overview**

Project Name: FOOD INDUSTRY CAPACITY EXPANSION

Project Number: 2016-0578 Country: Bulgaria

Project Description: The project consists of the construction of a new edible oil processing plant and grain silos located in Beloslav, Bulgaria. The premise processes predominantly sunflower seeds, and has the technical capacity to crush rapeseeds and soya beans as well. The project contains at the final stage of its implementation (i) a grain elevator and oil storage facilities, with respective total storage capacity of 105 000 m³ and 20,000 m³ (ii) a vegetable oil extraction facility (iii) ancillary equipment to operate the plant

## **Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion**

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

The project has been completed in compliance with EIA Directive 2014/52/EU (amending 2011/92/EU), EU Best Available Technologies (BAT) as well as requirements from applicable EU environmental and national legislations.

An EIA IPPC assessment has been completed and the IPPC permit has been issued before completion of Phase II of the project. The assessment confirmed that wastewater emissions of the project can be treated by the Devnya wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) after receiving preliminary pre-treatment on the project site rather than being treated entirely on-site via a dedicated WWTP.

The relevant permits for the operation of phase 1 and the use of hexane on-site have been granted and no adverse effects on the nearby Natura 2000 area have been recorded during construction and operation of the project.

## Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

EIB is of the opinion based on reports from the promoter, and/or inputs provided by Lenders' Supervisors and others, where applicable, during construction and operations that the Project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.