



European Investment Bank (EIB)

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## Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)<sup>1</sup>

### Overview

Project Name:	GAS NETWORK UPGRADE IN SLOVAKIA II
Project Number:	20170894
Country:	Slovakia
Project Description:	The project is part of the Promoter's investment programme to upgrade the gas distribution networks in Slovakia for the period 2019-2022. The investments envisaged by the Promoter include mainly the replacement of old steel pipelines and the refurbishment of regulation stations. Other components include the upgrade of information technology systems and metering equipment. The investment schemes are located in various parts of the country, mostly classified as cohesion priority regions.

### Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

This was a gas distribution project applying standard technologies and implemented by an experienced Promoter.

The majority of the investments was dedicated to the replacement of existing low/medium-pressure metallic gas pipelines by polyethylene ones thus reducing gas leaks.

The main impacts, associated with construction works, were temporary and were mitigated according to established practices in the sector.

The operation provided environmental benefits through the reduction of methane leakages. According to EIB GHG footprint calculations the estimated annual absolute emissions of the Project in a standard year of operation are 12 kt CO<sub>2</sub>eq.

No environmental or social issues have been reported during the implementation.

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

EIB is of the opinion, based on reports from the promoter and site visits during construction, that the Project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.

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<sup>1</sup> The template is for ILs and FLs