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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview

Project Name: ABBANOA WATER INVESTMENTS

Project Number: 2018-0038
Country: Italy

Project Description: Investments in water and waste water infrastructure in

the Sardinia Region during the period 2018 - 2022

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

The operation's objective was to increase the performance, quality and reliability of the networks and the increase operational efficiency, notably through a reduction in Non-Revenue Water (NRW), by replacing critical sections of water and wastewater networks, the rehabilitation of existing water treatment plants, pumping stations, WWTPs, sewerage coverage extension, implementation of remote-control system and replacing water meters for customers. In particular, the Project aimed to contribute to avoiding potential situations of non-compliance by upgrading wastewater treatment works for agglomerations above 2,000 p.e. (EU Pilot – Parere Motivato - 2059/2014).

The project had some tangible positive impact on the level of water efficiency and water abstraction level. Water production has decreased throughout the implementation period, from 251 Mm³ to 233 Mm³, with a stable per capita consumption at 190 l/c/d, thanks to the substantial improvement on the reduction of the water losses, with the non-revenue water level decreasing from 61% down to 53% (which is however still greater than the target at appraisal, i.e. 47%).

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

EIB is of the opinion based on reports from the promoter, and inputs provided by the Promoter, that **the Project has been implemented** in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards applicable at the time of appraisal, **although the anticipated results** (in terms of reduction of NRW and wastewater treatment capacity) **have been partially realised**, considering to the targets as anticipated at appraisal stage.