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## Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

### Overview

Project Name: VAASA CENTRAL HOSPITAL  
Project Number: 2020-0203  
Country: Finland  
Project Description: Extension of the central hospital in Vaasa to consolidate all services on one integrated site.

### Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

The project concerned the extension of the existing hospital campus in Vassa with a new building of about 37 000 m<sup>2</sup> GFA. The project enabled the consolidation of various services provided in outdated buildings into one modern building designed according to the current needs of patients and staff. The project enabled the promoter to dismantle buildings with about 23 000 m<sup>2</sup> GFA on site where the air quality is insufficient for today's requirements (sick building syndrome) as well as to free completely the former psychiatric hospital with 22 400 m<sup>2</sup> GFA.

Due to the use of new materials and technologies, the project increased overall energy efficiency and free space in outdated buildings. Furthermore, the project increased the safety and quality of medical procedures, improved working conditions for medical professionals and provided higher standards for patients in an environment designed according to the current needs of patients and staff. Hospitals are not specifically mentioned in the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU, though the project is covered by Annex II of the Directive in relation to urban development. The foreseen construction works have been carried out next to the existing site in an area that is covered by an existing urban development plan.

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

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