

## Environmental and Social Data Sheet

### Overview

Project Name:	TECH EU KONE INNOVATIVE PEOPLE FLOW RDI III
Project Number:	2025-0351
Country:	Finland, Italy
Project Description:	The Project comprises investments in Research, Development and Innovation (RDI) in the field of elevators, escalators, auto-walks as well as intelligent technologies and solutions for people flow over the period 2026-2029.

E&S Risk Categorisation:	Low risk
Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise <sup>1</sup> :	No

### Environmental and Social Assessment

The project involves research, development and innovation (RDI) activities in the fields of elevators, escalators, auto-walks, as well as intelligent technologies and solutions for people flow from 2026 to 2029. Such activities are not covered by Annexes I or II of the EU Directive 2011/92/EU as amended by the 2014/52/EU Directive and therefore not subject to an Environmental Impact Assessment procedure.

#### Environmental Assessment

The project involves research, development and innovation (RDI) activities in the fields of elevators, escalators, auto-walks, as well as intelligent technologies and solutions for people flow from 2026 to 2029.

The project concerns investments in research and development that will be carried out in existing facilities without changing their already authorised scope.

There are positive environmental effects through the development and manufacturing of products that help improve the energy efficiency of the buildings where they will find application.

#### Climate Assessment

##### ***Paris Alignment of projects:***

The project includes a sustainability component aimed at improving the energy efficiency of the developed products and solutions, consistent with the EU Taxonomy and Paris alignment principles.

<sup>1</sup> Only projects that meet the scope of the Carbon Footprint Exercise, as defined in the EIB Carbon Footprint Methodologies, are included, provided estimated emissions exceed the methodology thresholds: 20 000 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e/year absolute (gross) or 20 000 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e/year relative (net) – both increases and savings.

## EIB Paris Alignment for Counterparties (PATH) Framework

The counterparty KONE OYJ is in scope and screened out of the PATH framework because it is not considered high-emitting or high-vulnerability.

### **Social Assessment**

The project does not carry any significant labour risks and risk to health and safety is minimal with the overall social risk being low.

Environmental and social sustainability is embedded into the company's management procedures; all promoter's major manufacturing and R&D plants are certified according to the ISO 14001 standard to prevent and control environmental risks. The Promoter's Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) system is based on the ISO 45001 standard.

## **Conclusions and Recommendations**

The project RDI activities focus on the development of new innovative products and solutions that will help the clients of the promoter to perform better with respect to energy use, sustainability and environment. They are expected to generate positive knowledge, technology and environmental externalities, through the creation of innovative processes, products or services and through skills development and upgrading.

The project activities are not specifically covered by Annexes I or II of the EU Directive 2011/92/EU as amended by the 2014/52/EU Directive and therefore not subject to an Environmental Impact Assessment procedure.