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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)¹

Overview

Project Name:	AVRIL RDI PROGRAMME
Project Number:	2019-0349
Country:	France
Project Description:	The project will finance the promoter's Research, Development and Innovation (RDI) efforts targeting the development and production of protein for food and feed applications from oilseed crop, as well as bio-based materials substituting fossil source for chemical use.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

The operation has partially financed of the promoter's Research, Development and Innovation (RDI) activities over the period between 2020 and 2022 in the context of the promoter's on-going competitiveness strategy. The project included (i) the identification of innovative application of oilseed crop and bio-based materials, new products and process developments, as well as related RDI investments, (ii) a first-of-a-kind innovative crushing unit to process rapeseed.

The RDI programme was carried out within already existing RDI facilities and production plants located in Europe (France, Belgium and Germany), that hold operational permits granted by the competent authorities covering these activities.

There were some minor difficulties encountered, concerning the noise emissions of the industrial unit associated with the CANOLAPRO project (site close to a city centre), leading to a formal notice by the competent authority. The Promoter carried out substantial investments at the site to mitigate this issue, and the notice was finally lifted in March 2025.

According to the information received by the bank, over the course of the Project there haven't been any changes/modifications/extensions that triggered a permitting process under the EIA Directive 2011/92/EC as amended by Directive 2014/52/EU, and/or Directive 2010/75/EU, Industrial Emissions Directive.

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

The project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.

¹ The template is for ILs and FLs