

Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name:	<i>Gallivare Multiactivity Centre</i>
Project Number:	<i>2025-0653</i>
Country:	<i>Sweden</i>
Project Description:	<i>Multi Activity Centre providing cultural, sports and leisure facilities for the benefit of all segments of the local community.</i>
E&S Risk categorisation	<i>Low as per paragraph 4.18 of the EIB Group E&S Policy</i>

Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise¹: no

Environmental and Social Assessment

The project to be financed concerns the construction of a highly-energy efficient multi-activity centre in the municipality of Gallivare, providing cultural and sports facilities to the local community.

Based on paragraph 4.18 of the EIB Group Environmental and Social Policy, considering that the competent authorities have determined that the preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report under the EU Directive (2011/92/EU, as amended by 2014/52/EU) is not required for this project, and that the project is expected to result in minor or no adverse environmental, climate and/or social impacts and risks, the E&S risk categorisation is considered low.

The project's potential impacts on the environment, human health and well-being are likely to be minimal or negligible.

Environmental Assessment

The project is located in the municipality's city centre, with strong public transport connections and well-integrated active mobility options.

The municipality of Gallivare conducted an environmental assessment for the project as part of the approval process of the urban development plan. No EIA report was required for the approval of the building permit under the project.

The building permit for the project has been granted. Three preparatory (design, demolition and excavation/foundations) have already been completed prior to 2026. The building is currently under construction.

The building is expected to have an energy performance at least 10% better than the required by the current nearly-zero energy building (NZEB) definition set by the Swedish regulation (BBR30 at the time of the building permit), generating positive environmental benefits related to a reduction of energy consumption and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. The building has a highly energy-efficient design, with advanced building services, heat recovery and smart controls adapted to the arctic climate.

¹ 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 CO₂e/year absolute (gross) or 20,000 tonnes CO₂e/year relative (net) – both increases and savings.



In addition, the choice of construction material has been carefully done to reduce embodied emissions and the building's envelope is based on a predominantly timber superstructure.

At construction stage, the project implementation may lead to noise, dust, temporary traffic disruption and increased heavy vehicle movements. These impacts are being managed through appropriate mitigation measures, including: construction logistics planning to minimise disturbances in the town centre, dust and noise control and continuous communication with nearby residents and businesses. The project impacts at construction stage will be reversible and temporary at a level that is deemed acceptable.

Climate change mitigation and adaptation

The project has been assessed for Paris alignment and is considered to be aligned both against low carbon and resilience goals against the policies set out in the Climate Bank Roadmap.

The project is expected to generate primary energy savings of 400 MWh/a (versus the minimum NZEB standards set by the Swedish regulation).

According to the Planning and Building Act in Sweden, a climate change risk assessment is conducted for each urban development plan. In addition, at project level, climate vulnerabilities were assessed, including the impact on the building of extreme weather events such as cold/heat waves, snow loading and intense rainfall and the project's design include adaptation measures to address the identified climate risks. The Project is considered Paris aligned for the climate adaptation and resilience, given residual risk in Climate Risk Assessment is low.

Social Assessment

The project aims to act as a social integration hub, offering shared spaces that help connect newcomers and long-time residents; strengthen community identity; and provide safe and inclusive meeting spaces for all.

By supporting the construction of a highly energy efficient building, the project will contribute to improving the users' experience by ensuring thermal comfort.

Public Consultation and Stakeholder Engagement

According to Swedish laws, all stakeholders are involved throughout the planning process for new urban development plans.

For the project, in addition, consultations with civil society organisations and structured citizen dialogue processes have been conducted.

Other Environmental and Social Aspects

The Promoter has sound environmental and social capacity, well proven in the construction and operation of similar buildings. The promoter is considered capable of complying with the Bank's eligibility criteria, in particular regarding the environmental protection aspects.

Conclusions and Recommendations

The project constitutes a flagship public investment with high environmental and energy efficiency standards, aiming to strengthen community cohesion, improving public amenities, and contributing to the attractiveness of the local area.

Given the location and nature of the project, only minor reversible negative environmental impacts are expected, mainly during construction.



The Promoter shall ensure environmental compliance of the project in line with relevant environmental EU Directives, including EIA (2011/92/EU as amended by 2014/52/EU), Habitats (92/43/EEC) and Birds (2009/147/EC) Directives as transposed into the national law, as well as the Bank's Environmental and Social Standards.

Upon project's completion, the Promoter will be requested to provide as-built Energy Performance Certificate obtained in line with the applicable national and EU legislation on the energy performance for buildings.

Under the proposed conditions and eligibility criteria in place, this project is considered acceptable for Bank financing from an environmental and social perspective.