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Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name:	TECHEU - NCBJ RESEARCH FACILITIES EXTENSION
Project Number:	2024-0111
Country:	Poland
Project Description:	This Project concerns investments in cutting-edge scientific and supporting infrastructure and research capabilities at the National Centre for Nuclear Research (Narodowe Centrum Badan Jadrowych - NCBJ) in Poland.
E&S Risk categorisation	Low

Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise¹: No
(Details for projects included are provided in section: "EIB Carbon Footprint Exercise".)

Environmental and Social Assessment

The Project is a Low-Risk project from the E&S Risk categorisation, as the EIA is not required.

Environmental Assessment

The Project supports selected investments in cutting-edge research infrastructure of the National Centre for Nuclear Research (NCBJ). The Project comprises the procurement of cutting-edge scientific equipment as well as the renovation of the existing facilities and construction of new ones. Research facilities of this kind are not specifically mentioned in the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU amended by Directive 2014/52/EU, though Annex II of the Directive in relation to urban development covers the Project. The buildings included in the Project are under the threshold and do not require an EIA.

NCBJ campus is supervised by the Polish National Atomic Energy Agency (Państwowa Agencja Atomistyki – PAA), which regulates nuclear and radiation safety and issues the relevant permits and approvals for construction and installation works on site.

Climate Assessment

The project is implemented in accordance with national and EU environmental requirements. While it does not primarily target climate mitigation or adaptation objectives, compliance with energy performance standards defining nearly-zero energy building (NZEB) and efficient resource use is expected to limit the environmental footprint of the facilities.

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.

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.

EIB Paris Alignment for Counterparties (PATH) Framework

The counterparty National Centre for Nuclear Research is in scope and screened out of the PATH framework, because it is not operating in a high emitting sector.

Other Environmental and Social Aspects

The Project does not have any significant negative social impacts. The Project is a key part of improving NCBJ's research infrastructure by providing modern, cutting-edge scientific equipment and infrastructure.

The Project is expected to generate positive social impacts through improved knowledge production and dissemination through the outputs of the research activity of the institute, with more opportunities for collaboration with commercial and industrial partners.

Conclusions and Recommendations

The Project concerns the procurement of scientific research equipment and renovations and new constructions of buildings hosting it within the real estate park of NCBJ, Poland. The Promoter possesses the appropriate experience and governance systems to deliver the Project in accordance with national and European legislation.

Based on the information available and with appropriate monitoring, the Project is acceptable for EIB financing in environmental and social terms.