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Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name:	<i>Taurage Sustainable Development</i>
Project Number:	<i>2025-0667</i>
Country:	<i>Lithuania</i>
Project Description:	The framework loan will co-finance eligible multi-sector schemes in Taurage (Lithuania), in line with the City's urban development strategy.

Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise¹: no

Environmental and Social Assessment

The Operation is a municipal multi-sector framework loan supporting the implementation of the Climate Neutrality Strategy and Investment Plan of the Municipality of Taurage (Promoter) in Lithuania during the period 2025-2030. Taurage is member of the EU Climate Neutral Cities Mission initiative. The Project covers the construction/renovation of the city's educational, social, sport and cultural facilities, including efficiency measures, investments in sustainable urban transport, development of the City's pedestrian and bicycle road network, greening the urban environment, upgrading of the water and waste water infrastructure.

Environmental Assessment

As the Project is a framework loan, some of the underlying investments might fall within the scope of Annex II of the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU, as amended by Directive 2014/52/EU.

None of the proposed schemes are expected to be located within or in the immediate vicinity of Natura 2000 sites.

Climate Assessment

The Project has been assessed for Paris Alignment, and it is deemed aligned both against low carbon, and resilience goals, as set out in the EIB Climate Bank Roadmap.

Taurage's Climate Neutrality Strategy 2030 is aligned with the principles of the Covenant of Mayors, to which the City is a signatory. As one of the EU's 100 Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities by 2030, Taurage integrates the climate neutrality objectives into its investment planning. Proposed measures, such as energy-efficient building renovations, sustainable urban mobility upgrades are designed to support climate change mitigation and advance the City's transition to climate neutrality. The Taurage District Municipality Climate Change Adaptation Plan has been approved in 2024. In parallel, the Project is considered Paris-aligned for the climate adaptation and resilience, given residual risk in Climate Risk Assessment is low.

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.



Social Assessment

Although no separate social impact assessment has been carried out, it is deemed that the overall social impact of the Project will be positive through the provision of the modernisation of urban infrastructure and public facilities, which will improve the quality of living environment for all citizens and will contribute to social inclusion.

Public Consultation and Stakeholder Engagement

The individual investments are expected to form part of urban development plans for which public consultation is carried out.

Other Environmental and Social Aspects

Based on the due diligence process, the institutional capacity of the Promoter to manage and monitor the environmental and social issues is deemed good.

Conclusions and Recommendations

The Project is expected to bring socioeconomic benefits to the territory, population and visitors in terms of improved infrastructure and services in education, healthcare, social care, culture, transport safety and overall quality of life. Supported investment schemes shall comply with the principles of gender equality, inclusion, and non-discrimination.

Environmental and Social Conditions

Prior to disbursement against any specific scheme, the Promoter will be required to provide to the Bank evidence that schemes comply with relevant provisions of the environmental EU Directives, including EIA (2011/92/EU as amended by 2014/52/EU), and Habitats (92/43/EEC) and Birds (2009/147/EC) Directives as transposed into national law. Furthermore, upon the Bank's request, the Promoter will be requested to provide selected Energy Performance Certificates obtained in line with the applicable national and EU legislation on the energy performance for buildings.

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