## **Environmental and Social Data Sheet**

## **Overview**

Project Name: POLAND HEALTH INVESTMENT PROGRAMME

Project Number: 2011-0401 Country: POLAND

Project Description: Financing of the national health investment programme for

2013-2017, including the refurbishment, construction and equipping of key specialised tertiary care infrastructure in

university hospitals throughout Poland.

EIA required: yes

Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise<sup>1</sup>: no

(details for projects included are provided in section: "EIB Carbon Footprint Exercise")

# Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment, including key issues and overall conclusion and recommendation

The project finances investments in specialist, tertiary health care throughout Poland. It includes the civil works and equipping of five university hospitals and two national disease control programmes.

Concerning the hospital schemes, documentation regarding environmental issues has been provided and in three cases an EIA was required. In the case of the two national programmes, if an EIA is required, the Promoter shall deliver to the Bank evidence of the decision of the local authorities, a copy of the NTS (Non-Technical Summary) and relevant information regarding impact on nature conservation sites.

By providing modern, fit for purpose hospital facilities, the project will reduce the environmental impact of the existing premises through improved patient access and more efficient operation. It will also improve the overall social impact by providing better all-round care and support to the patients and their families.

Overall the project is considered to be acceptable with a minor negative residual impact.

#### **Environmental and Social Assessment**

#### **Environmental Assessment**

The project finances investments in specialist, tertiary health care throughout Poland. It includes (i) the replacement construction of two university hospitals (in Krakow and in Warsaw), (ii) the refurbishment of three other university hospitals (in Bydgoszcz, in Bialystok and another university hospital in Krakow) and (iii) two national disease control programmes dealing with cancer control and organ transplantations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Only projects that meet the scope of the Pilot Exercise, as defined in the EIB draft Carbon Footprint Methodologies, are included, provided estimated emissions exceed the methodology thresholds: above 100,000 tons CO2e/year absolute (gross) or 20,000 tons CO2e/year relative (net) – both increases and savings.

In case of the rest of the project (two national programmes), the Promoter will be obliged to deliver to the Bank's services evidence of the decision of the local authorities and a copy of the NTS for any capital investments that require an EIA before the utilisation of the Bank's fund for that part of the project. The same applies for relevant information regarding impact on nature conservation sites. The obligation will be placed in the finance contract as an undertaking.

# Social Assessment, where applicable

The social benefits of providing modern, fit for purpose, dedicated university hospitals, with all the necessary support facilities, should be significant.

# Public Consultation and Stakeholder Engagement, where required

Consultations with public stakeholders were conducted.

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