

Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name:	TUBOS REUNIDOS RDI
Project Number:	20130118
Country:	Spain
Project Description:	The project concerns research, development and innovation (RDI) activities on manufacturing of seamless steel tubes. The project aims at developing new steels and steel tube products in order to respond to customer demand, as well as at developing new manufacturing processes for increased product range, flexibility, delivery lead time, quantities and price. The RDI activities will be carried out in the promoter's existing R&D locations at its manufacturing plants in Amurrio (Alava) and Galindo (Vizcaya), Spain.

EIA required: no

Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise¹: 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

RDI activities on steel pipes do not fall under Annex I or II of the EIA directive and therefore do not require an Environmental impact assessment as per Directive 2011/92/EU; moreover the financed activities will be carried out in existing R&D facilities that will not change their scope due to the project; the R&D facilities are integrated in the promoter's manufacturing plants that are covered by valid environmental permits.

A minor part of the project activities relates to the construction and installation of prototype lines inside the existing facilities. Installations for the processing of ferrous metals fall under Annex II of the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU and as such require an environmental clearance from the local competent authority or an update of the actual Integrated Environmental Permit. The submission to the Bank of the decision of the competent local authorities is a contractual continuous project undertaking.

The promoter has in place an Environmental Management System that has been certified by BVQI according to the requirements of EN ISO 14001:2004.

The project entails specific activities to improve the promoter's environmental performance by developing new and more efficient manufacturing processes and equipment. The products developed as a consequence of the project will improve the environmental performance of power generation and as such will have a positive impact on the environment.

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Environmental Assessment

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¹ 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.

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Other Environmental and Social Aspects

The promoter has in place an Environmental Management System that has been certified by BVQI according to the requirements of EN ISO 14001:2004. The promoter adopts high H&S standards and continuously seeks the improvement of the by developing solutions that go beyond the legislative requirements.

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