

Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name:	OSTRAVA MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE II
Project Number:	2013-0418
Country:	Czech Republic
Project Description:	Multi-sector framework programme aimed at improving urban infrastructure.
EIA required:	Framework loan, multi-scheme operation
Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise:	no

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

The operation comprises investments from the City of Ostrava into its public infrastructure. The individual schemes will be of small to medium size. The selected schemes are of high importance for the urban renewal, restructuring and development of the city and form part of its long-term development programme. Under the previous operation with the city good implementation capacity and quality was observed.

It is expected that the operation will lead to significant positive environmental and social impacts. In summary, the operation will provide better quality municipal infrastructure and thus improve the quality of life for its inhabitants. Furthermore it will strengthen the city's attractiveness for private investment.

As regards municipal infrastructure schemes which require an environmental impact assessment (EIA), the Borrower will be required to demonstrate that consent from the competent authority has been obtained, and that the non-technical summary of the EIA was made available to the public.

Environmental and Social Assessment

Environmental Assessment

The Czech Republic has transposed the EU environmental *acquis* into national law. The EIA procedures are set by Act No. 100/2001. EU requirements for Sites of European Importance have been transposed through respective amendments to Act. 114/1992 on Nature and Landscape Protection. The EU Directive 2010/31/EU on the energy performance of buildings was implemented by Act no. 406/2000 on Energy Management and its amendment Act no. 318/2012.

Schemes to be financed under the operation will be based on the city's comprehensive plans and strategies for its urban development and regeneration. The overall framework for the small to medium sized municipal infrastructure investments to be financed is set by the city's Development Programme and the city's land use plan. A strategic environmental assessment in line with the EU Directive 2001/42/EC has been carried out for both. The long-term development programme sets the city's priorities and principles, aiming at sustainable urban development and regeneration. One of the core elements in the city's urban development strategy is the re-use of brownfield sites.

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As regards individual schemes to be financed, local area plans and sector strategies and plans (e.g. on mobility, flood protection) are in place; integrated urban development plans were set up for specific neighbourhoods.

The promoter will submit to the Bank information on each scheme to be financed under the operation; this includes environmental impacts and potential impacts on NATURA 2000 sites.

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