

Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name:	Kodap Strategic Oil Reserves Storage- Cyprus
Project Number:	2014-0302
Country:	Cyprus
Project Description:	Construction of a 210 000t petroleum tank farm for Cyprus' strategic oil reserves.
EIA required:	yes
Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise ¹ :	no

Environmental and Social Assessment

Environmental Assessment

The project consists of a new strategic petroleum products storage site in the industrial area of Vasilikos. It will replace an already decommissioned site, 40 km away, built in the 1970s in Larnaca which is now surrounded by the residential and touristic area of the city. As earmarked for key energy activities in Cyprus, Vasilikos area houses a number of other heavy energy and industrial units, including a power plant providing 50% of the country's electricity. Given the industrial surroundings of the project and the incident which occurred at the adjacent naval base in 2011, a comprehensive environmental and social assessment has been undertaken by the promoter to ensure that all E&S issues were thoroughly addressed.

The project falls under Annex I of the EIA Directive 2011/92 and Cyprus Environmental Protection Law Act 140(I)/2005 and amendment No. 42(I)/2007. It has required a full EIA which has been issued in October 2016.

The developments in the area of Vasilikos fall under the SEA Directive 2001/42 and the Strategic Environmental Assessment has been issued in July 2016 subsequently to its underlying Vasilikos Area Master Plan issued in May 2015.

The Pre-SEVESO (Hazard and Operability Study) has been issued in March 2017.

Public Consultation and Stakeholder Engagement

No objections, concerns or appeals were lodged by third parties during the public consultation process.

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 provided evidence of sound practice with respect to environmental management and confirmed that the project is assessed for environmental impact including the impact on sensitive areas which include nature conservation sites.

Conclusions and Recommendations

The current design complies with the Seveso III directive (2012/18/UE). Upon completion of construction, a validation of compliance of the operational site with the directive will be undertaken.

Based on the environmental impact assessments undertaken, the capacity of the promoter, and the location of the site, the project is acceptable for Bank financing in environmental terms.