

Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name:	NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND MAYNOOTH
Project Number:	2013-0489
Country:	Ireland
Project Description:	Capex development programme of the National University of Ireland Maynooth located in County Kildare.
EIA required:	The construction works fall under Annex II of the EIA Directive and could be subject to an EIA. If an EIA is required by the competent authority, the promoter should make the Non-Technical Summary (NTS) available to the EIB prior to the use of the Bank's funding.
Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise:	no

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

Universities and scientific institutions of this kind are not specifically mentioned in the EIA directive 2011/92/EU, though the project is covered by Annex II of the Directive in relation to urban development. The actual project will include the construction of a new university library, an ICT teaching and research facility, a building for educational sciences and student accommodations and service buildings. In addition, the energy efficiency and accessibility of the overall campus will be improved through various refurbishment works.

If the competent authority should require an EIA for any of the subprojects, the Promoter should provide the related documentation (including the Non-Technical Summary -NTS) to the Bank.

The new buildings comply with current 'Best Practice' for low energy design as outlined in the CIBSE¹ TM46:2008 Energy Benchmarks, or with the B rating of the Building Energy Rating. The project will increase the overall floor area of the University without increasing the promoter's carbon footprint and therefore deemed to be acceptable for the Bank's financing with minor residual negative residual impacts.

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Environmental Assessment

For the new buildings, the promoter intends to obtain a BREEAM certification "Excellent" or "Very Good". For the refurbished buildings, the target is to obtain an Energy Performance Certification of "A" or "B" according to CIBSE TM46:2008 Energy Benchmarks, or with the rating B of the national Building Energy Rating.

Public consultation and stakeholder engagement are integral phase of the processes used for the development of new building projects. The Promoter ensures compliance with national and European environmental and nature regulations and facilitates the access by the public to environmentally relevant information in accordance with the Bank's Transparency Policy.

¹ The Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers