

Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name: UNIVERSITY OF LJUBLJANA CAMPUS
Project Number: 20130456
Country: Slovenia
Project Description: The purpose of this project is the establishment of an educational-research and development centre with construction of the two University of Ljubljana faculties: Faculty of Chemistry and Chemical technology and Faculty of computer and information science. New facilities will include around 30 000 m2 premises
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

Universities and research institutions are not specifically mentioned in the EIA Directive on Environmental Impact Assessment. An EIA is therefore not required in accordance with the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU. During the planning, design and permit application phase special attention has been dedicated to the environmental issues, since the building site borders an NATURA 2000 area. The Competent Authority, Ministry of the Environment and Spatial Planning of Slovenia has provided a statement that the project will not have a significant negative effect on the nearby Natura 2000 sites, and that it is not necessary to carry out the assessment of the acceptability of the implementation of plans on the environment.

The project is therefore considered acceptable for the Bank's financing.

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Environmental Assessment

Some of the laboratories included in the project handle toxic materials and toxic waste as part of their activities. Being only small quantities, the promoter has indicated that none of the laboratories falls under the Seveso Directive, and all the laboratories activities are handled according to the operating permits, requiring e.g. the treatment of toxic waste by specialised external companies

Other Environmental and Social Aspects

In order to keep up to date with the national and EU requirements on energy efficiency, some changes in the design had to be performed during the implementation of the project. These changes included, amongst others, replacement of the building facade isolation, replacement of the facade windows and replacement of the heating system.

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.