

## Environmental and Social Data Sheet

### Overview

Project Name: *CIIP SETTORE IDRICO ASCOLI*  
 Project Number: *2014-0762*  
 Country: *Italy*  
 Project Description: 2014-2019 Investments in water and wastewater facilities

EIA required: yes

This is a programme made up of multiple schemes. Some of them might require an EIA

Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise<sup>1</sup>: no

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

The Programme aims at improving the environmental conditions in the provinces of Ascoli and Fermo through the wastewater collection and treatment component, thus supporting the country to comply with the Water Framework Directive 2000/60/EC and very specifically, the Urban Waste Water Directive 91/271/EEC with which Italy is still not fully compliant. It will also contribute to improve the quality of the water supplied as required by the Drinking Water Directive 98/83/EC together with a more efficient and resilient water supply service.

The investment programme is consistent with the Piano di Tutela delle Acque (PTA) of Marche Region which defines the priorities for the relevant investments in the water sector. This PTA was approved by the Regional Authority on 26 January 2010, having been subject to a strategic environmental assessment according to the SEA Directive 2001/42/EC.

The investment programme will secure water supply through the upgrade of existing systems along with the development of new sources and the interconnection of isolated distribution networks. It will reduce the production and improve the treatment of sludge in order to optimise operational costs and enhance the sustainability of the system. The Promoter shows a good environmental awareness.

This operation is therefore fully driven by environmental and customer service and health considerations, making it acceptable for EIB financing. As some works might require a full EIA according to directive 2011/92/EC or affect protected areas, the operation will be subject to the Promoter complying with the following requirements:

- The Promoter undertakes not to allocate Bank funds to programme components that require a full EIA until the necessary nature assessments have been finalised and approved by the relevant competent authority. Once any EIS is available, the Promoter will provide the Bank with an electronic copy of its Non-Technical Summary (NTS) for publication on the EIB website.
- The promoter shall not commit any EIB funds against any scheme that impacts nature conservation sites, without receiving from the relevant competent authority the declaration under Art. 6(3) of the Habitats Directive that there are no significant effects and informing the Bank of such declaration having been obtained. .
- The Promoter undertakes to provide to the Bank, if requested, any decisions and subsequent justification that screen out project components from the requirement of a

<sup>1</sup> 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 CO<sub>2</sub>e/year absolute (gross) or 20,000 tons CO<sub>2</sub>e/year relative (net) – both increases and savings.

full EIA as well as the decisions issued by the competent Authority regarding the Habitats and Birds Directives.

## **Environmental and Social Assessment**

### **Environmental Assessment**

The EIA Directive 2011/92/EU, Birds Directive 2009/147/EC, Habitats Directive 92/43/EC and SEA Directive 2001/42/EC have all been transposed into Italian legislation. The verification of the environmental compliance is incorporated into the permitting procedures.

The schemes will have a number of impacts on the environment, both positive and negative. The highest positive effects can be expected from the wastewater components, seeking compliance with the EC Urban Waste Water Treatment Directive 91/271/EC as amended by Directive 98/15/EC, as well as the requirements under the Water Framework Directive 2000/60/EC. These are expected to result in an improvement of the quality of the water bodies receiving the wastewaters. Some other components will support CIIP in complying with the requirements of the Drinking Water Directive 98/83/EC on the quality of water intended for human consumption and increasing the resilience of the systems. Some schemes could have an impact on the environment, notably during the construction phase.

Through the investment programme, CIIP intends to reduce operational costs by increasing overall energy efficiency and by increasing the percentage of its energy consumption coming from renewable sources to 2.4%.

CIIP's service area in ATO n.5 Marche Sud has been increasingly affected by water crises due to prolonged droughts during the summer season. The investment programme will strengthen the resilience of the system to climate impacts and ensure water supply through the development of new sources and the upgrade of existing ones and the interconnection of isolated distribution networks.

The Promoter is well aware of the requirements of the Italian and European legislation and is ISO 14001:2004 certified (Environmental Management Systems).

### **Social Assessment, where applicable**

Social impacts include the possible disruption of services, noise and temporary occupation of public or private space, traffic disruptions, and safety hazards, common for this type of projects in urban environments, and will be addressed as part of the planning permissions.

### **Public Consultation and Stakeholder Engagement, where required**

The Promoter has to ensure compliance with national and European environmental and nature regulations and facilitate the access by the public to environmentally relevant information in accordance with the Aarhus Convention.

### **Other Environmental and Social Aspects**

N.A.