Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name: School upgrade investment plan framework loan (IT)

Project Number: 2014-0506

Country: Italy

Project Description: Framework loan for safety improvement, energy efficiency

and upgrade of primary and secondary education

infrastructure in Italy.

EIA required: Not known at this stage

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

The operation concerns the funding of schemes to upgrade and modernise the infrastructure of pre-schools, primary and secondary schools in Italy.

The works aim to meet several needs such as construction of new class rooms and sport halls, refurbishment and extraordinary maintenance of existing building, anti-seismic safety refitting, electrical and mechanical plant upgrade to current regulations, asbestos removal and energy efficiency improvement.

Given the relatively small scale, location and nature of the works, all of the schemes are deemed not have any significant environmental impacts. Though school buildings are not explicitly mentioned in any of the Annexes of the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU, some schemes under the Project may fall under Annex II of the Directive thus implying a review by the competent authorities at the planning/consent stage with due regard to the necessity for full environmental assessments. The submission to the Bank by the Implementing Agency of the decision of the competent environmental authority and, in case a full EIA is required a copy of the Non-Technical Summary (NTS) of the EIA report is a continuing project undertaking.

Based on the preliminary analysis of social and environmental data, the Project will have a positive impact in terms of safety, energy efficiency and CO₂ emission reduction.

The promoter has the experience and capacity to appropriately manage the Project.

With the appropriate conditions, systems and procedures in place, the project is considered acceptable for the Bank's financing from an environment perspective.

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Other Environmental and Social Aspects

Public Works are regulated by a National Law harmonised with European directives in terms of Safety on the Work sites, Environment and Procurement. There may be temporary nuisance due to construction and rehabilitation works (noise, dust) which will be mitigated through the appropriate site organisation and construction management.

Every work, prior to start, must receive the approval form the Local Building Authorities. It is expected that the Project shall be implemented in about 20 000 schemes all over the Italian Regions.

The Project is co-ordinated by the MIUR, which has the overall responsibility for Education in Italy by setting standards and planning elements. The physical implementation of the

schemes is carried out by Provinces and Municipalities, owners of the school buildings in collaboration with the Regional administrations. The Bank will be closely monitoring the programme implementation.