

## Environmental and Social Data Sheet

### Overview

Project Name:	EU FUNDS CO-FINANCING (ANDALUCIA)
Project Number:	20112-0330
Country:	Spain
Project Description:	The operation will support the Spanish Autonomous Community of Andalusia for the implementation of the Regional Operational Programme and the Cohesion Fund-ERDF Programme as part of the Competitiveness Strategy for Andalusia. The programmes comprise schemes in the fields of environment, transport infrastructure, renewable energy, knowledge economy, SMEs and sustainable urban development.
EIA required:	This is a multi-scheme Structural Programme Loan operation. Some of the schemes may fall under Annex I or II of the EIA Directive and be screened in. The Promoter shall deliver to the Bank the NTS of EIAs, where applicable, before the Bank funds are allocated.
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 entire Regional Operational Programme (ROP) covers most sectors of society. Each axis of the ROP has got its own particular environmental and social impacts. Given the relative small size of most of the individual schemes and the nature of some of the sectors concerned, most of these schemes are not considered to have significant measurable environmental impacts. However, in case of investments in larger infrastructure schemes works are expected to have some negative impacts during the construction and implementation period. Once the works are completed it is generally expected that the overall net environmental impact will be positive.

Given the nature of the operation and the procedures concerning EIA and nature protection put in place by the competent authorities in the Autonomous Community of Andalusia, the Structural Programme Loan is acceptable in environmental terms. The overall net environmental and social impact of the operation is positive, with improved environment and in particular social and economic conditions for the inhabitants in the Autonomous Community of Andalusia.

### Environmental and Social Assessment

#### Environmental Assessment

The Regional Operation Programme (ROP) 2007-2013 of the Autonomous Community of Andalusia was subject to a Strategic Environmental Assessment, in accordance with the EU SEA Directive 2001/42/EC. The SEA was drawn up in such a way that for each axis of the ROP a number of environmental indicators were defined. In total 53 indicators have been

<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.

used, mainly within axis 3: Environment and axis 4: Transport and Energy. The SEA report concluded that out of 44 different expenditure categories with potential environmental impacts only 5 may have net negative effects on the environment. The SEA was carried out and completed in 2007, including the compulsory public consultation. Due to the nature of ROP, which developed over a number of years, not all of the schemes had been fully defined and very limited scheme-specific information was available at that time.

Should any scheme included under this Structural Programme Loan require an EIA, it would be subject to the Bank's standard review and publication of the non-technical summary of the EIA. The Promoter will be required to act in accordance with the provisions of the relevant EU Directives, including the SEA, EIA, Habitats and Birds Directives. The Promoter shall verify the compliance of the schemes with the relevant and applicable rules of the European Union legislation, in particular in the fields of environment. The Promoter shall deliver to the Bank a confirmation or equivalent that the schemes have no significant impact on nature sites of Community Importance or their equivalents, as well as the NTS of EIAs where applicable.

Some of the schemes in the operation may fall under Annex I or II of the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU. Furthermore, some of the schemes in the programme may have an impact on protected sites and the Promoter will be required to act according to the provisions of the Habitats and Birds Directives.

No negative social impacts are foreseen, on the contrary it is expected that the overall social impacts of the projects will be positive. The everyday life of the inhabitants and associated social relations and routines will be improved thanks to improved mobility, improved public infrastructure, social facilities and better employment opportunities.