

## Environmental and Social Data Sheet

### Overview

Project Name:	Provincia di Trento
Project Number:	2011-0594
Country:	Italy
Project Description:	The project concerns the financing of multi-sectoral investment schemes forming part of the Province's four-year investment programme from 2012 to 2015, comprising small to medium sized schemes in the fields of municipal and provincial infrastructure (including streets, transport and public open spaces), education and sport, social and health infrastructure, social housing and cultural heritage.
EIA required:	This is a multi-scheme Framework Loan operation. Some of the schemes may fall under Annex I or II of the EIA Directive and may 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

Given the relative small size of the individual schemes and the nature of the sectors concerned, most of the schemes are deemed not to have significant measurable environmental impacts. In case of investments in reconstruction and/or renovation of public buildings, there are a number of positive effects expected, including energy savings in buildings owned by the municipalities or the province, as a result of insulation of walls and roofs, changing windows and other energy efficiency measures.

The transport schemes, mainly new rolling stock (buses with hydrogen technology), new stations, improved rail tracks and reconstruction of railroad infrastructure will reduce travelling times and vehicle operating costs and will in general promote public transport. The reconstruction works are expected to have some minor negative impacts during the construction/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 Province of Trento, the Framework Loan is acceptable in environmental terms. The overall net environmental and social impact of the Provincia di Trento – Public Infrastructure operation is positive, with improved environment and in particular social conditions for the inhabitants in the Province.

### Environmental and Social Assessment

It is deemed that the improvements will improve the provincial and municipal infrastructure and benefit the inhabitants of the Trento and beyond. A large part of the framework loan will

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<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.

address areas where the Province of Trento need to develop its society in order to meet the goals defined in the context of strategic documents: foremost the “Programma di Sviluppo Provinciale (PSP)”.

Should any scheme included under this Framework Loan require an EIA, it would be subject to the Bank’s standard review of the non-technical summary of the EIA. The Promoter will be required to act according to 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 social impacts of the project will be overall positive. The everyday life for the inhabitants and associated social relations and routines will be improved thanks to improved mobility, improved municipal and provincial infrastructure, schools, museums, historical buildings, sports facilities, town halls, civil protection and other infrastructure for public services.

### **EIB Carbon Footprint Exercise**

The project is not included - the EIB draft Carbon Footprint Methodologies only include emissions from Investment Loans, and large allocations under Framework Loans, above the methodology thresholds.