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# **Environmental and Social Data Sheet**

Overview	
Project Name:	KOS – ADVANCED MEDICAL EQUIPMENT
Project Number:	2016-0565
Country: Project Description:	ITALY Financing of KOS investment plan primarily for diagnostic and cancer care medical equipment.
EIA required:	No
Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise <sup>1</sup> : No	

## Environmental and Social Assessment

### **Environmental Assessment**

As the project covers new equipment put into use within existing facilities (in a number of hospitals), no significant impact is expected on the environment. The modernisation and operation of outdated medical equipment will improve efficiency and quality of treatment. A further positive impact will be expected through the use of more efficient technical installations and materials whose environmental acceptance has been tested and verified.

The promoter has a sound Safety Health and Environment (SHE) policy including commitments to comply with legal requirements, prevent pollution, continual improvement, regular audits, and comply with ISO 9001 certifications. The practices are in compliance with EU relevant regulation and the promoter maintains adequate internal procedures and management practices.

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

Radiotherapy and medical diagnostics are essential therapies to diagnose and subsequently treat debilitating conditions for persons affected who face a relentless loss in productivity and impairment of their quality of life. Positive outcome expected as a result of increased treatment capacity and improved treatment quality within primary and secondary care healthcare facilities, in turn enhancing accessibility to high quality care services for the patients of the region.

The project is focusing on delivering the infrastructure essential to provision of state-of-the-art therapies in leading hospitals in the regions concerned, which leads to significant socioeconomic benefits to the society.

### **Conclusions and Recommendations**

The services provided by the promoter are not specifically mentioned in the EIA directive and are therefore not subject to mandatory Environmental Impact Assessment. Furthermore, the project concerns investments to enable optimal healthcare delivery that will be carried out in existing facilities in designated leading hospitals. An Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is therefore not required under Directive 2011/92/EU as amended.

<sup>&</sup>lt;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 CO2e/year absolute (gross) or 20,000 tons CO2e/year relative (net) – both increases and savings.



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If successful, the project will improve life-saving healthcare delivery within e.g. cancer treatments and other debilitating deceases affecting thousands of people in the designated regions in Italy. As such, the project presents high potential health and social benefits for the society; it is therefore acceptable for financing by the Bank.

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