

Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview

Project Name:	IBERDROLA NETWORK MODERNISATION AND SMART METERS
Project Number:	2013-583
Country:	SPAIN
Project Description:	Investments under the promoter's 2014-2015 investment plan to reinforce, modernise and smarten electricity distribution networks throughout Spain.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

EIB notes the following key Environmental and Social outcomes at Project Completion.

The project was a multi-component investment covering the period 2014-2015. It aimed at modernising and extending the electricity distribution network in some regions of Spain.

The project comprised a large number of electricity distribution schemes from 400 V to 132 kV. Given their characteristics and voltage range, none of the project schemes required a full EIA according to the EU Directive 2011/92/EC or affected any sites of nature conservation importance.

Overall, the environmental impacts of the project were modest and mainly related to noise, vibration, dust, and traffic disruption during the construction and electromagnetic fields (EMF) and noise disturbance during operation. The vast majority of the programme schemes were related to refurbishment and facilities with limited environmental impact.

The promoter is certified to meet ISO 9001, 14001 and OHSAS 18001. The promoter has developed an environmental and social management plan and has established an action plan to follow up its implementation.

The promoter had the experience and the capacity to appropriately manage the programme. As a result of the implementation of the project, no significant environment or social issues were noted.

The programme is confirmed acceptable to the Bank in environmental terms.

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

The EIB is of the opinion, based on reports from the promoter, that the Project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.