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# **Environmental and Social Data Sheet**

Project Name:	PUBLIC BUILDINGS BRANDENBURG
Project Number:	2016-0307
Country:	Germany
Project Description:	Construction and renovation of public buildings in the Federal State of Brandenburg.
EIA required:	This is multi-scheme Framework Loan (FL) operation. Some of the schemes may require an EIA under Annex I or Annex II ("screened in") of the EIA Directive.
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Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise<sup>1</sup>: no

# **Environmental and Social Assessment**

#### Environmental Assessment

**Overview** 

The operation comprises construction and renovation of approximately 20 public buildings under the investment programme of the Federal State of Brandenburg's Agency for Real Estate and Construction (Brandenburgischer Landesbetrieb für Liegenschaften und Bauen - BLB). Public buildings are used and will be used by different public authorities (Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of Justice, Ministry for Research, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Economy, Ministry of Agriculture and Environment, etc.) in Brandenburg region. Schemes are expected to be located outside protected areas including Natura 2000. Most of the schemes are expected to be renovation of public buildings in built urban environment.

Relevant EU Directives have been transposed into the national legislation (EIA Directive, Birds and Habitat Directive). The investments to be financed under the operation will comply with environmental standards. The Project will help strengthen public service provision in Brandenburg.

## Public Consultation and Stakeholder Engagement

Potential investments will be in line with the spatial urban plans which are subject to public consultation processes prior to their adoption.

## **Conclusions and Recommendations**

The Promoter will be required to act according to the provisions of the relevant EU Directives, including SEA (2001/42/EC), EIA (2014/52/EU amending 2011/92/EU), Habitats (92/43/EEC) and Birds (2009/147/EC) Directives and Water Framework Directive (2000/60/EC) as transposed into national law. In projects where applicable, the Promoter will be requested to deliver the NTS of EIAs to the Bank before Bank funds are allocated.

For Schemes having a potential impact on protected areas including Natura 2000 sites, the Promoter has to provide evidence of the compliance (including screening) with the Habitats and Birds Directives (if applicable) before the Bank funds are allocated.

<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.

Overall, the net environmental impact is expected to be positive. The institutional capacity of the Borrower to manage environmental and social issues is deemed good. Therefore, given the nature of the operation and subject to the conditions mentioned above, the FL is acceptable in environmental and social terms.

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