



Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name: SOFTWARE AG INTERNET OF THINGS RDI

Project Number: 20160821 Country: GERMANY

Project Description: The project concerns the research development and

innovation (RDI) activities of Software AG in relation to its new software products supporting the digitalization of business processes. The key focus will include reference software stack for software applications related to the Internet of Things (IoT) as well as the management of big data. The RDI project will be carried out during 2017 to 2019,

mainly in Germany.

EIA required: No

Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise¹: No

Environmental and Social Assessment

Environmental Assessment

The new software products are not directly geared towards the reduction of environmental impacts however there are plenty of use cases in which the products enable a better environmental performance of a given business process. Particularly the new developments regarding use cases for the Internet of Things will support companies in higher efficiencies and lower emissions (e.g. through predictive maintenance) across various sectors such as the industrial production, the energy supply and the car industry.

Due to the nature of the company as being a pure software product vendor, the main focus of the corporate social responsibility is on the customers, the employees and the society. In order to ensure that the business values are implemented on a company wide basis, the promoter established in 2011 a Code of Business Conduct that complies with the German Corporate Governance code.

The promoter takes its civil responsibility serious with various activities within and outside the company. In addition Software AG Foundation, the main shareholder of Software AG, founded nearly 25 years ago. The foundation supports private initiatives in the following fields: assistance to the disabled, education, training and youth welfare, assistance to the elderly, environmental protection, academic support in the fields of organic farming, complementary medicine, and teaching.

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¹ 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.



Luxembourg, 7 July 2017

Conclusions and Recommendations

The project activities do not fall under Annexes I and II of the EU Directive 2014/52/EU amending the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU, and are therefore not subject to mandatory Environmental Impact Assessments.

The proposed investments concern RDI activities for software development which will be carried out within existing own or rented office type facilities already used for similar activities. Therefore, the project has been classified as acceptable in environmental terms.