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## Environmental and Social Data Sheet

### Overview

Project Name:	BZWBK IT LOAN FOR DIGITALISATION
Project Number:	2017-0427
Country:	POLAND
Project Description:	The project relates to the financing of the promoter's IT development investment programme over the period 2017- 2019 concerning i) digitalization of business processes ii) update of the technological infrastructure and iii) investments in IT security.
EIA required:	No
Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise <sup>1</sup> :	No
(Details for projects included are provided in section: "EIB Carbon Footprint Exercise")	

### Environmental and Social Assessment

#### Environmental Assessment

The IT investments and development activities included in the project do not fall under any Annexes of the EIA Directive; moreover, they will be carried out in existing facilities already authorised that will not change their scope due to the project. As such, the project does not require an Environmental Impact Assessment as per Directive 2014/52/EU amending Directive 2011/92/EU.

The residual project risks are deemed low. The projects scope is linked to IT investments and developments for the Banking sector; the project activities do therefore not induce any environmental risk.

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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.

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## **Other Environmental and Social Aspects**

The promoter publishes a yearly Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) in accordance with the with the Global Reporting Initiative (GR4) Non-Financial Reporting Standard. The promoter's Sustainable Development Policy organizes the most important aspects of corporate social responsibility within 4 areas: Environment, Market, Society and Workplaces. As part of this policy, the promoters headquarters in Warsaw and Poznan (hosting more than 3 000 employees) are LEED certified (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design). Currently 32% of all employees work in certified buildings, with the objective to increase the number to 45% by the end of 2018. Other activities launched by the promoter includes changing conventional lighting by LED lightning and the replacement of old air conditioning systems. The promoter tracks environmental indicators such as energy consumption, paper and water consumption, etc.... that have been decreasing over the last years.

## **Conclusions and Recommendations**

The project does not require an Environmental Impact Assessment as per Directive 2014/52/EU amending Directive 2011/92/EU. The residual project risks are deemed low. Environmental issues appear well integrated into the company's procedures. In the light of the above, the project is eligible for the Bank's financing.

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