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## **Environmental and Social Data Sheet**

## **Overview**

Project Name: METROPOLIA MYLLYPURO CAMPUS

Project Number: 2017-0493 Country: Finland

Project Description: Construction of the new Myllypuro campus for the Metropolia

University of Applied Sciences in Helsinki, Finland. The campus development project supports the plans of the university to concentrate all operations onto four main sites from currently 20

existing locations.

EIA required: no

Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise: no

## **Environmental and Social Assessment**

The project comprises of construction of a new university campus located on a green field site in urban area. The works include one building complex composed of four interconnected towers built on top of an underground parking garage as well as landscaping of the site. The new campus will have good public transportation connections because it is located next to existing metro station and bordered by one of the two ring roads in the capital region. Universities and related facilities are not specifically mentioned in the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU on Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), though the project is covered by Annex II of the Directive in relation to urban development. The promoter has confirmed that the project is fully covered by the approved land use plan which can be only set up with a public consultation and the approval of the competent authority and that the project has all the necessary permits in place without requesting an EIA.

In respect to energy performance the promoter has confirmed that the campus building will meet the requirements of a NZEB building as defined in the national draft legislation. Additionally, the university is planning to install some renewable energy on site for educational purposes.

## **Conclusions and Recommendations**

As the project covers construction works in an urban area close to the existing facilities, no significant impact is expected on the environment. The project aims at improving the quality and efficiency of the education facilities including improvement on energy efficiency. In the light of the above, the overall environmental and social rating of the project is therefore considered acceptable for financing by the Bank.