

Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview

Project Name:	WESTERN POLAND ENERGY DISTRIBUTION
Project Number:	20110355
Country:	Poland
Project Description:	<i>A multi annual investment programme for the modernisation and extension of electricity networks of the Promoter's electricity distribution company, located in Western Poland.</i>

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

The project focused on modernisation and building new overhead lines, cables, transformers, substations and on the installation of meters.

All project schemes fell under Annex II of the EU EIA Directive thus implying a review by the competent authorities at the planning and consent stage with due regard to the necessity for environmental and biodiversity impact assessments. The large majority of the project schemes financed by the Bank were of medium and low voltage reinforcements that did not require full EIAs and had minimal or no environmental impact. The competent authority decided that six projects, Choszczno II Substation, 110 kV line Choszczno II – Recz, 110 kV Kluczewo – Pyrzyce line, 110 kV line Lobez-Bialogard to Resko, Recz Substation and 110 kV line Resko-Lobez to Worowo, had to undergo the full Environmental Impact Assessment. The EIAs did not reveal any significant negative impact of the investments on the environment. Also none of the investment schemes had a significant impact on sites of nature conservation.

No significant environment or social issues were noted.

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

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