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## Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

### Overview

Project Name: *Dolj County Water-Wastewater*  
Project Number: *2015-0083*  
Country: *Romania*  
Project Description: *Allocation under NSRF Co-financing Facility framework loan (2008 0170) in relation to extension and rehabilitation of the water supply and sewerage systems in Dolj County.*

### Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

The measures consisted of investments concerning drinking water treatment and distribution, as well as wastewater collection and treatment for six agglomerations/water supply zones situated in the County of Dolj. The County of Dolj is located in the South West of Romania, and belongs to the greater Danube River Basin that drains into the Black Sea. The project contributes to the protection of water bodies by implementing works that treat wastewater to the standards required by the EU Directive for Urban Waste Water Treatment 91/271 EEC and by ensuring an efficient and sustainable use of water resources. In addition, the project contributes to the compliance of Romania with the EU Drinking Water Directive 98/83/EC.

The main environmental and social benefits of the Project were: (1) elimination of groundwater and subsoil contamination through the rehabilitation of wastewater collectors and elimination of leakages and (2) reduction of health risks for the population by eliminating discharge of untreated or insufficiently treated wastewater and the increased availability of safe drinking water.

The Project is part of the SOPs (Sectoral Operational Programmes) that falls under SEA<sup>1</sup> procedure. The SEA working group elaborated the Environmental Report in November 2006. After the consultation process with the public and all relevant stakeholders the Decision was issued on 31 of January 2007.

The Project is covered by Annex II of the EIA Directive 85/337/EEC as amended by Directives 97/11/EC and 2003/35/EC. The Environmental Protection Agency of Dolj, after the reception of the Technical Report and Technical Fiche (in accordance with Romanian Government Decision 445/2009) followed the screening procedure considering the selection criteria from Annex III, establishing that a full EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment Procedure) was not required for each of the agglomeration.

The Project did not have any effect on NATURA 2000 sites and the relevant authorities filled the necessary declarations.

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<sup>1</sup> Directive 2001/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 June 2001 on the assessment of the effects of certain plans and programmes on the environment, OJ L 197 of 21.7.2001.



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**Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:**

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