

Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name:	ENGINEERING INNOVATIVE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT
Project Number:	2017-0801
Country:	Italy
Project Description:	The project relates to investments in RDI for new software technologies as well as the development of new applications for the public administration, financial institutions, utilities and the telecom sector. The activities will be carried out in Italy and are co-funded by Horizon 2020 and by national programmes. The RDI programme will be implemented from 2018 to 2020.
EIA required:	No
Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise ¹ :	No

Environmental and Social Assessment

Environmental Assessment

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

The project refers to software development activities carried out within existing facilities. The produced software will be normally deployed within client owned data centres or to a smaller extent in existing data centres of the promoter. Therefore, there is no significant residual impact expected.

While the RDI activities itself have a very limited environmental impact, the promoter is involved in many other R&D projects with strong environmental objectives such as:

- Urban ecological water management - UnaLAB project (co-funded under H2020)
- Urban climate sustainable strategy – Sustainability Enabler project (co-funded under EIT Digital)
- Urban water management - FIBRA project (Apulia Region PCP)
- Circular economy – Waste 4 Think,
- Renewable energy – STORE&GO,
- Sustainability energy storage - GREENERNET

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.



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The promoter is putting a lot of importance on certifications including environmental management (ISO 14 001). In addition, it issues an annual sustainability report based on the GRI reporting standards since 2013.

Conclusions and Recommendations

Considering the above, the project is acceptable for the Bank's financing in environmental and social terms.