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## Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

### Overview

Project Name:	URGENT FLOOD RELIEF AND PREVENTION
Project Number:	2010-0683
Country:	Montenegro
<b>Project Description:</b>	The project consisted of the reconstruction and restoring of basic infrastructure damaged by the December 2010 floods. The works were distributed in approximately 190 locations throughout Montenegro.

### Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

At appraisal stage, the project did not have to comply with the SEA Directive 2001/42/EC considering the nature of the emergency works, which were mainly rehabilitation or reconstruction of existing basic infrastructures in the same location.

The project was classified as a multi-sector (roads, water supply and sanitation) multi-scheme operation eligible for a Framework Loan. As an official candidate country for membership to the EU, the two promoters – the Public Works and the Traffic Directorate – were required to implement all the schemes in compliance with the relevant EU environmental and social legislation principles, considering also the Habitats and Birds Directives, which had already been transposed into national law before the appraisal stage. As stated at appraisal, each individual scheme was subject to screening as part of the allocation process of the EIB's funds and, as anticipated, no scheme was subject to a full EIA.

At completion, minor temporary negative environmental impacts were reported only during the construction phase of some sub-projects. However, considering a long-term perspective, the impacts have been significantly positive given the restoration and improvement of vital basic infrastructures. Furthermore, adaptation measures were implemented in order to reduce the risk of future damage due to similar natural events and weather change impacts.

The project required very limited additional land take with no population movements. Minor land acquisition issues had a small impact on the implementation of four (4) out of the over 190 schemes within the project scope. These four schemes were only partly implemented; however, the overall functionality of the schemes or the project were not affected.

At appraisal stage, Montenegro had already ratified all ILO conventions and the core standards are reflected in the Montenegrin laws and regulations.

No significant environment or social issues were noted by the promoter. The promoter's capacity to implement the Environmental and Social standards is considered to have been adequate.

#### 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.