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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview

Project Name:	ROUEN ECO-QUARTIERS FLAUBERT-LUCILINE
Project Number:	2013-0116
Country:	FRANCE
Project Description:	The operation comprises a programme of investments in urban redevelopment and regeneration of approximately 100 ha of brownfield sites in two eco-quartiers, Flaubert and Luciline, located at the heart of the City of Rouen on the banks of the River Seine. These sites became brownfield sites in 2000 following the reduction and transfer of river port activities, and form part of the long term 2010-2030 redevelopment strategy of the City of Rouen and the CREA (<i>Communauté d'agglomération Rouen-Elbeuf-Austreberthe</i>) agglomeration authority.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

No significant environment or social issues were noted in connection with the EIB financed investment programme.

The programme contributed to significant environmental outcomes in the form of decontamination of formerly (heavily) polluted industrial sites and the development of land (e.g. for public services) as well as recreation areas along the river banks (for instance Presqu'île Rollet with a new 2km walk, playgrounds and a park where once coal used to be stored). This first phase of work preconditioned the development of the eco-districts Luciline and Flaubert, which provide numerous environmental and social benefits such as a quality living environment (soft mobility solution, landscape environment, energy efficient buildings) social and affordable housing in a socially mixed neighbourhood, and office space.

However, the development of the Flaubert eco-quartier was temporarily impacted by the nearby Lubrizol factory fire in September 2019. A public consultation is ongoing to rethink the eco-district plans (with the possibility of introducing a green sanctuary and structural enhancements to the buildings such as independent ventilation systems) and to better align them with environmental best practices (original plans are now several years old). These measures are expected to improve resilience also in sanitary crises such as the current unfolding COVID-19 pandemic.



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Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

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