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## Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

### Overview

Project Name:	BERLIN ABWASSER UND UMWELT
Project Number:	2012-0099
Country:	Germany
Project Description:	Financing of investments in environmentally sustainable wastewater treatment and water supply facilities 2012-2016.

### Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

A main objective of the programme was to reduce the risks of sewer overflows and improve storm water management, but also to effectively ensure compliance with environmental service standards set by EU and national legislation (EU Water Framework Directive 2000/60/EC and Urban Wastewater Treatment Directive 91/271/EC).

The Programme was environmentally driven and therefore had predominantly positive effects on the environment. It contributed to reducing aquifer pollution by repairing broken sewers and to lower the probability of traffic disruptions and subsidence of buildings by avoiding the collapse of sewer segments.

Most of the works carried out under the Programme were upgrades of existing infrastructure and facilities, reducing the overall impact of construction. The Promoter complied with the requirements of EU EIA Directive 2011/92/EU, as well as Article 6 of the Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC.

The Promoter carried out Environmental Impact Assessment procedures where required by the competent authorities. According to the Promoter, none of the programme's components required an EIA. For several components, a preliminary assessment was carried out ("UVP Vorprüfung"), but in all the cases the relevant sub-projects were screened out.

The environmental regulator independently monitored compliance with effluent discharge permits.

#### **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.