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## Environmental and Social Data Sheet

### Overview

Project Name:	UNIVERSITY OF LATVIA II
Project Number:	2023-0245
Country:	Latvia
Project Description:	The project concerns the third phase of the University of Latvia's campus development programme in Riga, Latvia. It comprises the construction of two new facilities, the so-called "House of Health" and the so-called "House of Sports".
EIA required:	no
Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise:	no

### Environmental and Social Assessment

The Project concerns the construction of two new facilities for the University of Latvia in Riga, the so-called "House of Health" (8 079 m<sup>2</sup>) and the so-called "House of Sports" (15 270 m<sup>2</sup>) for the University of Latvia in Riga.

University buildings and related facilities are not specifically mentioned in the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU as amended by 2014/52/EU on Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), though the project is covered by Annex II of the Directive in relation to urban development. The foreseen construction works will all be carried out next to the existing site in an area that is covered by an existing urban development. Considering the size, location and extent of the foreseen construction, the promoter does not expect that an EIA will be requested, although the relevant permits are still pending.

### Conclusions and Recommendations

As the Project covers construction works within an existing university campus, no significant impact is expected on the environment.

By decommissioning obsolete and outdated buildings and replacing or rehabilitating remaining ones, the Project will reduce energy consumption and decrease CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

The Finance Contract will include an undertaking that the Promoter should provide the EIB with documents supporting the execution of an EIA procedure in case a full Environmental Impact Assessment is requested for any of the construction sites.

In light of the above, the project is considered acceptable for EIB financing.