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Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name: EDUCATION DEPARTEMENT DU PAS-DE-CALAIS
 Project Number: 2022-0796
 Country: France
 Project Description: The project involves the construction, extension, renovation and refurbishment of secondary schools in the Department of Pas-de-Calais.

EIA required: no

Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise¹: no

(details for projects included are provided in section: "EIB Carbon Footprint Exercise")

Environmental and Social Assessment

Environmental Assessment

This Project is a multi-component investment loan comprising the new construction, reconstruction and renovation of lower secondary schools in the Department of Pas-de-Calais in France.

School and education buildings are not specifically listed in the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU amended by Directive 2014/52/EU, though the Project is covered by Annex II Point 10b of the Directive in relation to urban development. In France, individual projects are subject to screening if they meet thresholds in terms of their size. At the time of the appraisal none of the Project's components was screened in by a competent authority for a need of EIA.

The new buildings will be designed and built to meet French energy performance standards for new construction and reconstruction, namely the Réglementation Énergétique 2020 (RE2020) and for renovations, Réglementation Thermique 2012 (RT2012). In general, meeting these regulations is considered to exceed the French nearly zero energy buildings (NZEB) standards by more than 10% thus demonstrating a substantial contribution to climate action mitigation. The EIB will require the Promoter to provide a copy of the building permits for the new or reconstructed buildings. Most of the buildings being renovated are seeking energy efficiency improvements, so the EIB will require the Promoter to provide copies of the energy performance certificate (EPC) (Diagnostic de Performance Énergétique (DPE) in French) or equivalent for all new, reconstructed and renovated buildings on completion.

The Promoter has confirmed that the Project components are neither located in a Natura 2000 site nor in other designated or protected sites.

The Project has been assessed for Paris alignment and is considered to be aligned both against low carbon and resilience goals policies set out in the Climate Bank Roadmap (CBR).

¹ Only projects that meet the scope of the Carbon Footprint Exercise, as defined in the EIB Carbon Footprint Methodologies, are included, provided estimated emissions exceed the methodology thresholds: 20,000 tonnes CO₂e/year absolute (gross) or 20,000 tonnes CO₂e/year relative (net) – both increases and savings.



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Other Environmental and Social Aspects

The Project will provide modern education facilities to enhance the teaching and learning environment and improve energy efficiency of the building infrastructure. Further, the Project seeks to support investments in improving schools' accessibility for the students and staff with disabilities.

Conclusions and Recommendations

The Project components form part of a strategic effort to modernise the school and education related facilities in the Pas-de-Calais department enhancing the working and learning environment for staff and students alike. Due to the investment and use of new materials and technologies, the new, reconstructed and renovated buildings will increase the overall energy efficiency in the department.

Conditions and undertakings:

The Promoter shall provide to the Bank:

- A copy of the EIA screening decision or a copy of the building permit for the new and reconstructed buildings;
- A copy of the energy performance certificates (Diagnostic de Performance Énergétique (DPE) in French) or equivalent for all new, reconstructed and renovated buildings on completion;
- A copy of the air tightness tests performed for the new and reconstructed buildings over 5 000m² and shall provide to the Bank evidence of the completed tests upon completion.
- A copy of the results of a thermal integrity test or a proof of implementing a robust and traceable quality control processes during construction.

Given the above, the Project is therefore considered to be acceptable in E&S terms for the Bank's financing.