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Overview

Project Name: EURE PROGRAMME TRES HAUT DEBIT

Project Number: 2015-0292 Country: France

Project Description: Réalisation du Réseau d'Initiative Public (RIP) sur le territoire du

département d'Eure en France

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

The project concerns fixed telecommunications systems that have limited environmental effects, apart from disturbances during civil work constructions, which will be mitigated by appropriate measures. The promoter has been gaining experience in the roll-out of FTTH network since 2013. The reuse of existing infrastructures will help to reduce the potential impact of the implementation of the project even further.

Other Environmental and Social Aspects

High-speed broadband networks allow the implementation of innovative services such as videoconferencing, telemedicine in those less densely populated areas. They can therefore have a positive environmental contribution.

Conclusions and Recommendations

Investments in fixed telecommunications projects (including civil works for fibre rollout and transmission systems) do not fall under Annex I or II of the EIA Directive 2014/52/EU amending the Directive 2011/92/EU and are therefore not subject to an Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA).

With the above measures in place, the project is deemed to be acceptable for EIB financing in environmental and social terms.

¹ Only projects that meet the scope of the Carbon Footprint Exercise, as defined in the EIB draft 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.