

Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Overview

Project Name:	CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY CAMPUS REDEVELOPMENT
Project Number:	2014-0621
Country:	HUNGARY
Project Description:	Campus redevelopment project involving renovation and new construction of approximately 39 000 m ² at the central Budapest site.
EIA required:	No

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment, including key issues and overall conclusion and recommendation

Central European University (CEU) was founded in 1991 to support the democratic transitions in Europe. Its existing facilities are scattered over separate buildings in Budapest, and are in need of renovation. The purpose of the project is to redevelop the urban campus in the historical centre of Budapest within a protected world heritage zone, involving renovation and new construction of approximately 39 000 m² of teaching and research facilities. The project site is already part of respective city and regional plans. Education buildings are not specifically mentioned in the EU Council Directive 2014/52/EU on Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), though the project is covered by Annex II of the Directive in respect to urban development. The buildings associated with this project fall under an approved urban development plan which handled the environmental issues. The CEU project was screened out by the competent authority, and a valid building permit was issued.

Overall, the project is considered as acceptable for the Bank's financing as regards environmental considerations. The project is expected to have a positive impact on the environment as the project conserves listed buildings and the University's energy consumption is expected to be reduced by two-thirds compared to the level of the current facilities.

Environmental and Social Assessment

Environmental Assessment

EIA

The CEU project was screened out by the competent authority, and thus an EIA is not required for this investment. A valid building permit was issued, and includes the declarations of the Hungarian authorities that the project complies with the legislation of Hungary.

BREEAM

The project is appraised at design and construction stage according to the BREEAM assessment method certification (Bespoke) with an expected result of Very Good qualification for Phase I of the Project. It is the intention that all three Phases of the project will be BREEAM accredited.

CO2 Emissions

It is expected that the University's energy consumption can be reduced by two-thirds as a result of passive architectural solutions, installation of modern mechanical systems and customized Building Management Systems. The expected saving of CO2 is 721 tons per year. BREEAM principles have been used in the design since its primary stages in order to support CEU's commitment to sustainability.

Historical Buildings

All buildings are located within the protection zone of world heritage area and thus have historical value. One building is considered as national monument, requiring approval by the monument authority for rehabilitation works. That building will be restored.

All buildings permits were already issued including individual obligations to be respected by the promoter.

Nádor street nr15.

Protection: world heritage area buffer zone, within the protection zone of world heritage area. The promoter has to respect the recommendations of the public authorities.

Nádor street nr13.

Protection: world heritage area buffer zone, within the protection zone of world heritage area District protected streetscape façade. The promoter has to respect the recommendations of the public authorities.

Nádor street nr11.

Protection: world heritage area buffer zone, within the protection zone of world heritage area. District protected special building. The promoter has to respect the recommendations of the public authorities.

Nádor street nr9.

Protection: world heritage area buffer zone, within the protection zone of world heritage area National monument building, every part of the building is protected. The promoter has to respect the recommendations of the public authorities.

Október 6. Street nr12.

Protection: within the protection zone of world heritage area. The promoter has to respect the recommendations of the public authorities.