

## Environmental and Social Data Sheet

### Overview

Project Name: Food Logistics and Production Modernisation  
 Project Number: 2015-0761  
 Country: Poland  
 Project Description: Modernisation of the Group's production and storage facilities in Poland.

EIA required: yes/no<sup>1</sup>

Project included in Carbon Footprint Exercise<sup>2</sup>: no

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

### Environmental and Social Assessment

#### Environmental Assessment

The project comprises several sub-projects that fall under Annex II of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Directive 2011/92/EU. Therefore, it is subject to an EIA decision made on a case by case basis by the competent authority. The projects will be implemented inside or in the vicinity of existing and already authorized factories, far from any Natura 2000 site. According to the criteria defined by the Polish Government (Environmental Act of 2008), the expansion of existing factories might require an EIA in order to get the relevant environmental authorization for operations. Other small investments will be implemented within the framework of existing environmental permits. The projects will not have any significant negative environmental impacts.

Furthermore, the project includes a combined heat and power plant and a photovoltaic farm that will reduce fossil fuel consumption by switching to renewable energy sources and increasing energy efficiency. These measures will result in GHG emission savings.

The most relevant residual impacts will originate from initial construction works and, during operation, from factories. At the same time, there will be an increase in traffic. These will be mitigated by the measures included in the permits.

The investments will be carried out in the 2016-2018 period. While a series of components have already received the building permits, for others the environmental procedure from the competent Authority is still ongoing. The project applies the best available techniques for production, treatment of effluents and water consumption.

#### Social Assessment

The project will secure existing jobs in the company and create around 150 new full-time positions and 640 person/year posts during implementation. There will be no adverse social impact related to the project.

<sup>1</sup> Only some projects needed an EIA.

<sup>2</sup> Only projects that meet the scope of the Pilot Exercise, as defined in the EIB draft Carbon Footprint Methodologies, are included, provided estimated emissions exceed the methodology thresholds: above 100,000 tons CO<sub>2</sub>e/year absolute (gross) or 20,000 tons CO<sub>2</sub>e/year relative (net) – both increases and savings.

## **Public Consultation and Stakeholder Engagement**

A public consultation was carried out for a series of operation components and no opposition to the project was encountered so far. There will be other periods of public consultation during the second part of 2016 and in 2017 for other components. However, due to the project's location, the risk of complaints is considered low.

## **Other Environmental and Social Aspects**

The Promoter is accredited to meet ISO 9001, ISO 22000 and other International Food Safety Standards.

## **Conclusions and Recommendations**

The projects will be implemented in or in the vicinity of existing industrial facilities and are not expected to have any significant negative environmental and social impacts. The promoter has substantial experience in the food sector. The promoter's capacity to manage environmental and social impacts and risks is considered to be high.

The following condition needs to be satisfied by the promoter:

- The promoter undertakes not to allocate the Bank's funds to each sub-project until the abovementioned EIA processes have been completed and approved by the competent authority and all required permits are in place. An electronic copy of the non-technical summary of the EIA, the opinion of the result of the pending public consultations as well as the building and operating permits must be submitted to the Bank as soon as they are made available to the public.

Taking into account the conditions of the project, the capacity of the promoter and the systems in place to manage environmental and social impacts and issues, the project is acceptable for Bank financing in environmental and social terms.