

Environmental and Social Review Summary (ESRS)

Project Name:	Reigniting Empowerment of tribal women in Suriname through Engagement in transformative Technology (RESET)
Project Number	SU-T1164
Project Location:	Suriname
Executing Agency (“EA”):	Wi! Uma Fu Sranan
Type of Operation:	Contingency Recovery Investment Grant (“CRIG”) and Non-Reimbursable Technical Cooperation (“NRTC”).
ESRS Issuance Date:	February, 2023

1. General Information of the Project and Scope of IDB Lab’s E&S Review

The purpose of the transaction is to pilot a model to reset productive and resilient livelihoods for tribal women farmers that are engaged in the cassava value chain in Suriname. The interventions will aim to pilot the dissemination and adoption of agricultural technologies and innovations to improve cassava productivity and income generation. The executing agency Wi! Uma Fu Sranan (WUFS) is the first all-female Agriculture Cooperative in the rural area of Suriname.

The environmental and social (“E&S”) due diligence (“ESDD”) consisted of a desk review of internal procedures provided by Wi! Uma Fu Sranan as well as interviews with the manager of the Cooperative.

2. Environmental and Social Categorization and Rationale

This is a category B Project, according to IDB’s Environmental and Social Policy Framework (“ESPF”), because limited, specific environmental and social impacts that may result can be avoided or mitigated by adhering to generally recognized Environmental and Social Performance Standards (“ESPS”), good international industry practices, environmental, health and safety (EHS) practices, and design criteria.

3. Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts

The main E&S risks of the proposed investment are associated with the capacity of Wi! Uma Fu Sranan to assess and manage risks during project implementation. The EA will execute its activities in a manner consistent with the principles of the relevant ESPS.

4. Mitigation Measures

Policy: Wi! Uma Fu Sranan should update its “environmental policy” statement to be aligned with the ESPS 1. The updated Environmental and Social Policy shall be communicated internally to Wi! Uma Fu Sranan staff and externally to all stakeholders. The corporate policy shall add a



statement showing that Wi! Uma Fu Sranan will not finance projects included in the IDB Exclusion List. The overarching operational Policy statement shall include a supply chain policy to secure sustainable procurement free from child labor or land conversion.

Grievance Mechanism: Wi! Uma Fu Sranan shall update its “Complaint procedure company policy” and develop and implement an external grievance mechanism to manage stakeholder E&S concerns (include in its web page a clearly visible tab and contact person details in charge of external grievances).

5. Environmental and Social Action Plan (ESAP)

There is no ESAP in this transaction.