



# Integrated Safeguards Data Sheet Identification / Concept Stage (ISDS)

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**BASIC INFORMATION**

**A. Basic Project Data**

Project ID	Project Name	Environmental Category	Country
P167583	SUPPORT TO PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2019 POPULATION CENSUS IN BELARUS	C - Not Required (C)	Belarus
Team Leader(s)	Estimated Date of Approval	Managing Unit	Financing Instrument
Alexandru Cojocar		GPV03	Investment Project Financing

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**PROJECT FINANCING DATA (US\$, Millions)**

**SUMMARY**

<b>Total Project Cost</b>	1.90
<b>Total Financing</b>	1.90
<b>Financing Gap</b>	0.00

**DETAILS**

**Non-World Bank Group Financing**

Trust Funds	1.90
Program to Support Statistical Capacity Building in ECA	1.90

**B. Project Development Objective(s)**

The project supports methodological and technological innovations for the 2019 Population Census, including (i) transition to computer assisted personal interviewing (CAPI); (ii) exploring the feasibility of internet self-interviewing; and (iii) enhancing the usability of spatial information from the Population Census through modern GIS technologies.

**C. Project Description**

The project has two main components: (i) preparing the national statistical system for the Population Census; and (ii) ensuring access to the non-confidential Population Census data and indicators. Activities for each of the 2 project components are described below.

**Component 1: Preparing the national statistical system for the Population Census**



**Outcome 1.1 Methodological support to population census is improved.**

*Activities*

1.1.1 Provision of international expertise on the methodology of collection, transmission and processing of the census data (including questions on agricultural activities), use of administrative sources at pre-enumeration and data processing stages; use of GIS technology for preparing cartographic materials.

1.1.2 Visits of the Demographic Statistics and Population Census Department staff to the Central European countries to study the experience of preparation for and conducting of the population census.

1.1.3 Elaboration of a census evaluation program based on the recommendations of a relevant international expert and taking into account financial and human resources available at Belstat and WB funds allocated for the census evaluation according to the project budget. The census evaluation program can include quality analysis of collected information and the process of its collection on the basis of monitoring of the census operation, data from administrative sources, demographic analysis (comparison of the current and previous census results in the context of demographic processes).

1.1.4 Post-enumeration survey, demographic analysis.

**Outcome 1.2 Technical/technological support of the population census is improved.**

*Activities*

1.2.1 Provision of expertise on technical and technological aspects:

(i) collection, transmission and processing of census data, including assessment of capabilities of national and international institutes and companies for the development of AIS “Census 2019”; drafting a terms of reference for the development of AIS “Census 2019”; formulating tender conditions for selecting a contractor for the development of AIS “Census 2019”;

(ii) use of GIS in the process of census preparation, collection and processing of census data, and development of information products for potential users of the census results (geostatistical portal);

(iii) self-enumeration using the Internet.

1.2.2 Development of subsystem for storage and processing of census data.

1.2.3. Purchase of ORACLE DBMS products required for data storage and processing subsystem functioning.

1.2.4. Acquisition of the necessary equipment for collection, transmission and processing of the census data. This will be performed on the basis of Belstat’s request after specifying the needs for equipment.



1.2.5. Development of software application for self-enumeration via the Internet.

**Outcome 1.3** Population census promotion and outreach strategy is developed.

**Activities**

1.3.1 Public awareness campaign, including the following components:

(i) organization of press conferences, “round tables”, briefings, scientific conferences;

(ii) public addresses of persons involved in the census preparation and operation in the mass media or personally;

(iii) informing the population by means of efficient advertising and active information distribution programs about the population census in the mass media;

(iv) organizing and advertising support of special projects for individual target groups;

(v) distribution of information messages, leaflets, posters, promo videos, etc.

**Component 2: Ensuring access to the non-confidential Population Census data and indicators**

**Outcome 2.1** Final census results are prepared for publication and dissemination at the national and international levels.

**Activities**

2.1.1 Evolving of the automated information system “System of access to the 2009 population census results via the Internet” by complementing it with the 2019 population census data.

2.1.2 Development of a geostatistical portal for integrating census data with digital maps, statistical analysis and modeling.

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**SAFEGUARDS**

**D. Project location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis (if known)**

**E. Borrower’s Institutional Capacity for Safeguard Policies**



No safeguards policies triggered

**F. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists on the Team**

Arcadii Capcelea, Environmental Safeguards Specialist  
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**G. Policies that might apply**

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Safeguard Policies Triggered by the Project	Triggered?	Explanation (Optional)
Environmental Assessment OP/BP 4.01	No	The grant will not finance any activities, including any civil works, that might generate direct or indirect environmental and social impacts.
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	No	
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No	
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	
Physical Cultural Resources OP/BP 4.11	No	
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No	
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	No	
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	
Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	

**H. Safeguard Preparation Plan**

Appraisal stage ISDS required? No

**APPROVALS**

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