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Quick Facts

Countries	Egypt
Specific Location	Greater Cairo Area
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	C
Borrower	CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY FOR POTABLE WATER AND WASTEWATER
Sectors	Climate and Environment, Water and Sanitation
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 195.42 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 339.05 million

Project Description

According to bank provided information, the project involves the expansion and upgrade of the Helwan Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) in the Greater Cairo Area.

The objectives of the operation are: (i) environmental protection, depollution and climate action, (ii) increasing access to sanitation and water services, (iii) improving public health, and (iv) promoting sustainable economic development. The primary objective of the operation is to bring environmental benefits to the project area through the sustainable disposal or utilisation of effluent and sludge. The project will also improve the public health situation in the Helwan area by improving water quality and reducing pollution. Finally, the project is expected to lead to positive economic externalities and job creation. The operation is expected to support climate action due to substantial greenhouse gas emissions savings and investments in sustainable water resources management in the context of water scarcity. Additionally, the project is expected to contribute to the reduction of pollution loads reaching the Mediterranean Sea via the Nile and shall as such fall under the Clean Oceans Initiative.

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- European Investment Bank (EIB)

Contact Information

Contact information not provided at the time of disclosure

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Bank Documents

- Environmental and Social Data Sheet (ESDS) - HELWAN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PROJECT [Original Source]
- Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) - HELWAN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT [Original Source]
- Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) - HELWAN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT - Non [Original Source]