

European Energy Efficiency Fund (eeef): S&E related questions Direct Investments

Social & Environmental standards

1. General Environmental and Social Issues

- Is the project consistent with EU/national/international environmental and social policy and legal frameworks?
- Has an Environmental (Social) Impact Assessment (“E(S)IA) been conducted and the Non-Technical Summary been disclosed to the public?
- Please provide us with a copy of the Non-Technical Summary, when applicable
- Does the project implementation entity have carbon emission reduction initiatives in place?

2. Environment, Biodiversity, Climate Change

- Will the project have a negative impact on air, soil, water through emissions or similar? If yes, please specify details.
- Does the project include activities within or adjacent to protected areas and areas of environmental sensitivity (e.g. high biodiversity, high water stress) which can also be outside the protected areas? If yes, please specify details.
- Does the project have an adverse impact on an area of critical habitat (also on vulnerable, endangered or critically endangered species, IUCN Red List species) or an area high in biodiversity? If yes, please specify details.
- Does the project assess, monitor or control the pressures which indirectly or directly lead to biodiversity and ecosystem adverse change? If yes, please specify details.
- Is there a deforestation policy in place?
- Will the project adversely impact non-replicable cultural property (e.g. archaeological, historical), sites with unique natural values or intangible cultural heritage? If yes, please specify details.

3. Social

- Will the project have significant adverse social impacts and risks? If yes, please specify details.
- Have vulnerable groups amongst impacted stakeholders been identified and included in project planning and consultation and engagement activities? If no, please specify details.
- Are there risks of forced or child labour and any indication in the supply chain? If yes, please specify details.
- Will the project have a negative impact on occupational and public health and safety? If yes, please specify details.
- Are there any identified cases of severe human rights issues and incidents connected to the project implementation entity? If yes, please specify details.
- Are there any known incidents of discrimination reported in the project implementation entity? If yes, please specify details.
- Are there any grievance/complaints handling mechanism in place in the project implementation entity?
- Are there any accidents, injuries, fatalities among employees during the project implementation? If yes, please provide the number of cases.
- How many days are lost for injuries, accidents, fatalities, and illness among employees during the project implementation?
- Are there any policies on anti-corruption and anti-bribery consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption in place in the project implementation entity?
- Are there any convictions and amount of fines occurred for violations of anti-corruption and anti-bribery laws in the project implementation entity? If yes, please specify details.
- Are there any cases of insufficient action taken to address breaches of standards of anti-corruption and anti-bribery in the project implementation entity? If yes, please specify details.