The EIB Standard – Cultural Heritage

Environmental and Social Sustainability Framework (ESSF)

Public consultation webinar series

We will be starting this session shortly

Thursday 8 July 2021

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Juan Sterlin, Head of the Civil Society Unit
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Agenda

• Introduction

• Presentation on the EIB Standard 10 on Cultural Heritage by Nick Marchesi, Senior Environmental Specialist

• Discussion with EIB panel

• Closing remarks by Stephen O’Driscoll, Head of Division, Environmental, Climate and Social Office
Introduction: what are we consulting on?

- **New EIB Group** Environmental and Social **Policy**
- **11 EIB** Environmental and Social **Standards**

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Introduction

**Today: Standard 10 – Cultural Heritage**

Standard 10 outlines the promoter’s responsibilities with regard to identifying, assessing, managing and monitoring cultural heritage-related impacts and risks associated with the projects for which EIB financing is requested.
There are many topics to discuss today. We are here to listen! Here are some of our questions...

Please share your views...

Do you agree that this Standard’s requirements satisfy the need to protect cultural heritage from the potential adverse impacts of project activities?

Do you see any possible challenges in the implementation of this Standard, in view of your local context?

Will this Standard be effective in helping the promoters working with the EIB to identify, assess, manage and monitor impacts and risks affecting cultural heritage?

Are the differences in the requirements for projects inside the EU and projects outside the EU clear?

Is the minimum information required from project promoters under Annex 2 clear and sufficient?

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The Standard promotes the importance of cultural heritage as a source of valuable historical and scientific information, as an asset for economic and social development and as an integral part of people’s cultural rights, identity and practices.

The Standard recognises that cultural heritage incorporates all the various aspects of a community’s past and present that are identified as a reflection and expression of its constantly evolving values, beliefs, knowledge and traditions and which the community considers valuable, and desires to sustain and transmit to future generations.

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Key changes

**Introduction** - wording was simplified and most of the information previously on introduction was moved to the “General Requirements”;

**Objectives** - precautionary approach to the management and sustainable use of cultural heritage added as a clear objective (was mentioned in the old standard, but not as an objective);

**Scope** - chapter was streamlined, clarifications were provided that:
- Cultural heritage includes both tangible and intangible heritage (definitions aligned with UNESCO).
- Where a project is likely to have significant impact on natural heritage, the requirements of Standard 4 will apply.
Clarifying requirements: consistency of structure and language

**EU, EFTA, CC & pCC**
- All projects located in EU and EFTA, Candidate and potential Candidate countries shall comply with the relevant national and EU legislation and international conventions.

**Rest of the World**
- All projects located in the rest of the world shall comply with the relevant national legislation and align with the principles of EU legislation and international conventions, as defined in the remaining sections of the Standard.

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## Standard 10: Cultural Heritage

### Specific requirements

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<th>• Strict application of the <strong>mitigation hierarchy</strong> clearly embedded in the structure of the Specific Requirements, starting with avoidance as a first mandatory consideration.</th>
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| Impact Assessment    | • The need to consider a cultural heritage assessment in the EIA/ESIA process and definition the minimum requirements;  
|                      | • The possibility of EIB to request complementary info (Annex 1) new.  
|                      | • Guidance type information was taken out |
| Stakeholder consultation | • Text more concise and with a direct reference to standard 2 |

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Closing Remarks

Stephen O’Driscoll
Head of Division, Environmental, Climate and Social Office
Thank you!

- Join us for our **final** webinar tomorrow, **Friday 9 July** to discuss the **(new!)** Standard 11, Intermediated Finance

- Submit your contribution before **6 August**

- Email us with your outstanding questions at **essfconsultation@eib.org**

- Give us your feedback on this session on **Slido**

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