



Climate Change (Standard 5)

Environmental and Social Sustainability Framework (ESSF)

Public consultation webinar series

We will be starting this session shortly

Thursday 1 July 2021

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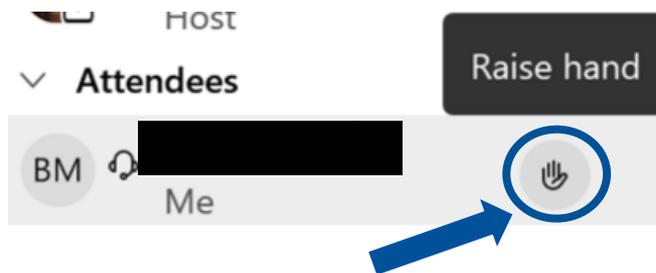
Catherine McSweeney, Civil Society Officer



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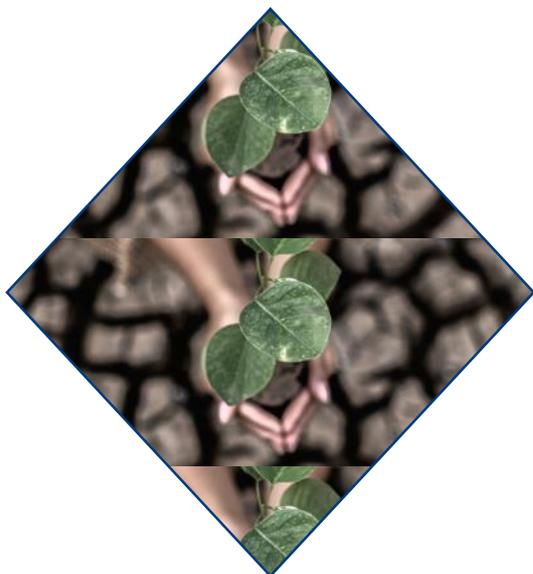
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Agenda

- Introduction
- Presentation on the [EIB Standard 5 on Climate Change](#) by **Daniel Themen**, Senior Climate Change 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



Introduction

Today: Standard 5, Climate Change

The Standard outlines the responsibilities of the promoters in the sphere of **climate change** with respect to **climate change mitigation and adaptation**.

The Standard recognises the **role of finance** in supporting **low-carbon** and **climate-resilient** development, in addressing climate change by **reducing greenhouse gas emissions**; and in building **resilience** and **adaptive capacity** to cope with current and future climate change-induced impacts.



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

Will this Standard be **effective** in delivering its purpose?

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

Is the Standard is sufficiently **clear** and **robust** in supporting the Bank's commitments to **decarbonisation** and **resilience**?

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Standard 5: Climate Change



Recognises the importance of **combating climate change**, which poses a **major global threat**

Recognises the role of **finance** in supporting **low carbon and climate resilient development**

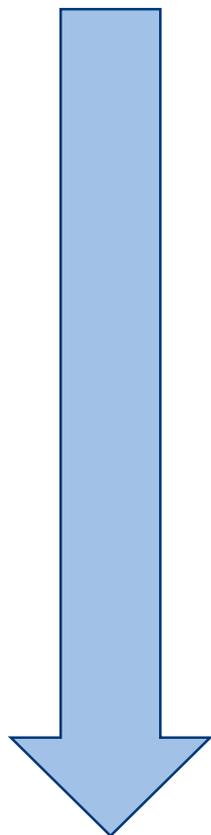
Promotes the **alignment of EIB-supported projects** with the goals and principles of the **Paris Agreement** and the **EU Sustainable Finance Plan**



Requires that **climate change mitigation and adaptation** considerations are addressed in line with the approaches established by the **EIB Climate Bank Roadmap** and **Climate Strategy**

Standard 5: Climate Change

Key changes



Clarifying the rationale and approach to combating climate change – updating the framework and definitions to reflect recent policy developments at global, EU and EIB levels

Establishing general requirements – applicable to all EIB financed projects, distinguishing those applicable to projects inside and outside the EU

Strengthening specific requirements – structured by assessment of (i) GHG emissions, (ii) physical climate risk and (iii) economic analysis

Transferring specific requirements for intermediated finance – to new Standard 11 on Intermediated Finance

Standard 5: Climate Change

Specific requirements reflecting focus of project appraisal

GHG emissions
assessment and
minimisation

- Emissions/sequestration assessment
- Consideration of alternatives
- DNSH to climate mitigation

Physical climate risk
assessment and
minimisation

- Physical climate risk assessment
- Projects at risk subject to CRVA
- DSH to climate adaptation

Economic analysis
climate-related aspects

- GHG emissions and cost of carbon
- Exposure to climate risk
- Climate-related project impacts

Standard 5: Climate Change

Clarifying requirements: consistency of structure and language

**EU, EFTA, CC
& pCC**

- clarifying the key legal requirements (EU legal framework being the benchmark) and the information to be provided to EIB to sufficiently demonstrate compliance with EU legislation

**Rest of the
World**

- compliance with national legislation and international commitments
- translating the “principles of EU legislation” (“what does it mean”) into requirements

Standard 5: Climate Change

Direct link to monitoring of project implementation and operation:



- extent of reporting commensurate to risks and potential impacts identified during appraisal
- requirements include reporting changes during project implementation likely to lead to significantly different transition risks, GHG emissions, or physical risks to the project, people, nature and assets

Discussion with EIB Panel



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Closing Remarks



Stephen O'Driscoll

Head of Division, Environmental,
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ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY FRAMEWORK

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

3 JUNE TO 6 AUGUST 2021

WHAT IS UP FOR CONSULTATION?



- 1) The new EIB Group Environmental and Social Policy
- 2) The EIB's 11 Environmental and Social Standards

pollution prevention **intermediated finance** labour rights
stakeholder engagement **climate change** management of risks
vulnerable groups and Indigenous Peoples health and safety
cultural heritage **biodiversity** **involuntary resettlement**

HOW TO PARTICIPATE



COMPLETE THE QUESTIONNAIRE

Fill it out online

You can then save your answers in draft format, share it with colleagues, and come back to it later. You can also attach supporting documents.

OR

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