



# Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention (Standard 3)

## Environmental and Social Sustainability Framework (ESSF)

Public consultation webinar series

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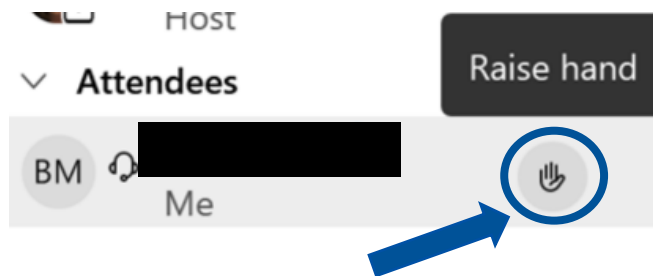
# WELCOMING REMARKS

Catherine McSweeney, Civil Society Officer

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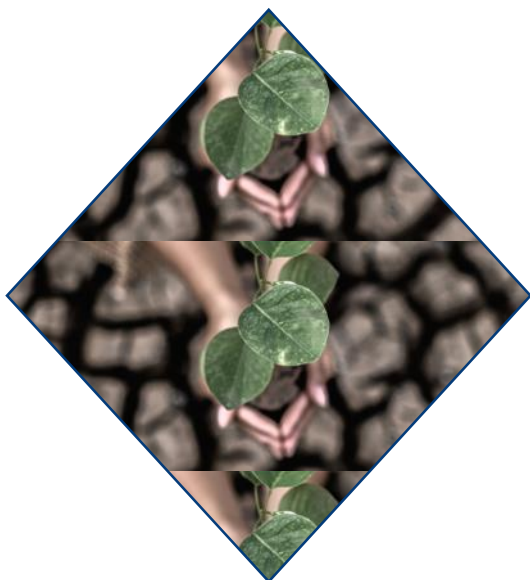
# Agenda

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- Introduction
- **Presentation** on Standard 3, Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention by **Angela Filipas**, Principal Advisor, Environmental, Climate and Social Office
- **Discussion** with EIB panel
- **Closing remarks** by **Stephen O'Driscoll**, Head of Division, Environment, Climate and Social Office

# Introduction: what are we consulting on?

## New EIB Group Environmental and Social Policy



## 11 EIB Environmental and Social Standards



# Introduction

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## Today: Standard 3, Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention

Standard 3 outlines the promoter's responsibilities to ensure an integrated approach to resource efficiency, pollution prevention and control of emissions to air, water and land, noise pollution, radiation, prevention of accidents, as well as waste management and the safe use of hazardous substances and pesticides.



# Standard 3: Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention

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## 3. Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention

Recognises the contribution of **resource efficiency** to relieve pressures on the environment and climate change;

Encourages the identification, design and use of the appropriate technologies, processes and services to achieve environmental quality objectives, including the use of **Best Available Techniques** (BAT) or **emerging techniques**, as relevant;

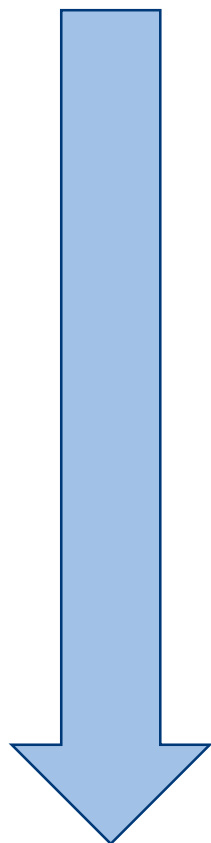
Promotes the transition to a **circular economy** through the development and use of existing and/or new business models that seek to increase circularity (the value of products, materials and other resources is maintained for as long as possible, thereby reducing their environmental impact).



# Standard 3: Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention

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## Key changes



To reflect the **new EU Environmental policy objectives** and legal requirements (notably the EU Green Deal, the EU's Sustainable Finance package, the Circular Economy Action Plan);

Reinforce the **integrated approach** to resource and energy efficiency and pollution prevention and control of emissions to environment with the objective to **avoiding the shift of pollution** from one environmental medium to another;

Strengthening **approach and requirements** for projects involving **existing** activities/facilities/modifications and/or extensions;

**Clarifying requirements** and when they apply/do not apply.

# Standard 3: Resource Efficiency & Pollution Prevention

**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;

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World**

- translating the “principles of EU legislation” (“what does it mean”) into requirements.

# Standard 3: Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention

## Specific requirements

### Resource efficiency and circular economy

- To assess the effectiveness and efficiency of the project's use of materials and natural resources, as well as energy, in particular in production processes;
- To consider the waste hierarchy and product life cycle approach.

### Pollution and prevention

- Strengthening the approach to prevent and reduce pollution by applying the BAT and address efficient energy use, waste prevention and management and measures to prevent accidents limit their consequences;
- The information that the promoter needs to provide the EIB with has been spelled out.

### Emergency prevention, preparedness and response

- Reinforce the requirements for ensuring prevention, preparedness and adequate response to any incident, major accident and emergency by setting up effective management systems and implementing control measures;

# Discussion with EIB Panel

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Unit

# There are many topics to discuss today.

## We are here to listen! Here are some of our questions...

*Please share your views...*

- Is it **clear** that this Standard seeks to promote the **circular economy** and **best available techniques** in EIB-supported projects?
- Do you see any possible **challenges** in the **implementation** of this Standard, for example in view of your local context?
- Will this Standard be **effective** in delivering its purpose?
- Do you see any **challenges** (e.g. regulatory, knowledge-based or financial) in the implementation of the **circular economy principle** embedded in the Standard?
- How **difficult** is the application of best available techniques in your local context?



# Closing Remarks



**Stephen O'Driscoll**

Head of Division, Environment, Climate and Social Office (ECSO)

# 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**

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### COMPLETE THE QUESTIONNAIRE

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