

**INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATASHEET  
APPRAISAL STAGE**

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**I. Basic Information**

**1. Basic Project Data**

Country: Kosovo		Project ID: P150079	
		Additional Project ID (if any):	
Project Name: Second Kosovo Youth Development Project, AF			
Task Team Leader: Lola Ibragimova			
Estimated Appraisal Date: n/a (small grant processing)		Estimated Board Date: n/a SPF committee meeting March 18, 2014	
Managing Unit: ECSSO		Lending Instrument: Recipient-Executed TF (Bank-Executed on Behalf of Recipient)	
Sector: ECSSD			
Theme: Conflict prevention and post-conflict reconstruction (34%), Participation and civic engagement (33%), Social Inclusion (33%)			
IBRD Amount (US\$m.): IDA Amount (US\$m.): GEF Amount (US\$m.): PCF Amount (US\$m.): Other financing amounts by source: State and Peace-Building Fund: US\$2,000,000			
Environmental Category: C			
Is this a transferred project	Yes [ ]	No [ X ]	
Simplified Processing	Simple [ X ]	Repeater [ ]	
Is this project processed under OP 8.00 (Rapid Response to Crises and Emergencies)	Yes [ ]		No [ X ]

**2. Project Objectives:** The project development objective is to: (i) promote social cohesion through inter-ethnic collaboration among youth, especially from marginalized and vulnerable groups; and (ii) improve economic opportunities for young people and sustainable access to youth services in Kosovo. The objective remains unchanged for the additional financing.

**3. Project Description:**

**Proposed Additional Financing components:**

The Additional Financing significantly expands the scale of the original second component, while integrating additional activities in the overall project design. The team also suggests drafting the grant agreement around three key and mutually re-enforcing components as follows:

Component 1 - Technical Assistance for the development of the Youth Employment Strategy

**The proposed project will ensure a solid analytical basis for successful youth employability and integration of marginalized groups by providing carefully targeted interventions to**

**increase youth employment opportunities in Kosovo.** This is proposed through a technical assistance component in support of the development of the Youth Employment Strategy that is to be integrated in the recently developed Kosovo Youth Development Strategy and Action Plan. More specifically, this component would provide support for inter-ministerial collaboration in the area of youth development and will focus on: (i) identifying labor gaps and employment opportunities for underserved and disadvantaged groups and minorities in Kosovo; and (ii) identifying niche and growth industries in Kosovo for youth employment.

#### Component 2 - Youth Business Development and social integration support

**The additional grant will place greatest emphasis on scaling up interventions under the youth business development and social integration support component of KYDP2.** This component centers around 5 key interventions: (i) Vocational and Educational Training; (ii) Entrepreneurship Training for Young Individuals; (iii) Equipment and Tool Grants; (iv) Business Start-up Grants; and (v) Individualized Mentoring and Apprenticeship. Through the proposed additional grant, this component will provide skills and business development training, and business investment and community investment grants and support services with emphasis on disadvantaged groups and minorities in Kosovo. The component will equip youth centers supported by KYDP to serve as regional business incubator facilities, social entrepreneurship networks, and providers of training, mentoring and business counseling. Finally, it would conduct a public awareness campaign, bringing local NGOs, role models and peer-to-peer learning events.

#### Component 3 - Support for results-based project management and evidence based decision-making

**A third component would provide technical assistance to the project implementation unit to utilize the Project Management and Information System (PMIS) piloted under KYDP to provide strong results (M&E) based management of the project.** This will ensure transparency and evidence-based decision making and serve as a resource for youth, providing valuable information and ICT-enabled support. The component will also provide project management support and capacity-building trainings for key Ministry of Culture, Youth, and Sport and PIU staff.

#### **4. Project Location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis:**

The project will continue to provide economic opportunities for disadvantaged youth of all ethnic backgrounds, with increased emphasis on conflict-affected, vulnerable and minority populations in Northern Kosovo. Emphasis will be placed on conflict-affected vulnerable, minority and marginalized groups in Northern Kosovo. By facilitating increased employment opportunities for young people in Northern Kosovo, the project is expected to support the lagging region to keep pace with the remainder of the country. Support to this volatile region is expected to contribute to peacebuilding and greater stability in Kosovo as a whole.

#### **5. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists on the Team:**

Cesar Niculescu, Environment Specialist (ECSEN)

Tomoko Unaki, Social Development Consultant (ECSSO)

<b>6. Safeguard Policies</b>	<b>Triggered?</b>	<b>Explanation (Optional)</b>
<b>Environmental Assessment OP/BP 4.01</b>	<b>No</b>	The project is not expected to have significant, complex or irreversible adverse environmental impacts. No safeguards are being triggered, and the environmental category for the proposed project is C. No civil works will be undertaken under the project and therefore the environmental or resettlement risks are expected to be negligible. However, as an added precaution, the MFI will be expected to use an environmental and social screening check-list for evaluation of micro grants to screen out any potentially non-conforming activities. The EMP checklist will be integrated in the project Operational Manual (OM)
<b>Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04</b>	<b>No</b>	
<b>Forests OP/BP 4.36</b>	<b>No</b>	
<b>Pest Management OP 4.09</b>	<b>No</b>	
<b>Physical Cultural Resources OP/BP 4.11</b>	<b>No</b>	
<b>Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10</b>	<b>No</b>	
<b>Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12</b>	<b>No</b>	The project will not finance any activities which could lead to land acquisition or resettlement. The project will also use social screening check-list, integrated in the OM, for all youth grants envisioned under this project.
<b>Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37</b>	<b>No</b>	
<b>Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50</b>	<b>No</b>	
<b>Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60</b>	<b>No</b>	

## **II. Key Safeguard Policy Issues and Their Management:**

### ***A. Summary of Key Safeguard Issues***

#### **1. Describe any safeguard issues and impacts associated with the proposed project. Identify and describe any potential large scale, significant and/or irreversible impacts:**

The project is a Category C project, and is not expected to trigger any social or environmental safeguards. The nature of the proposed expanded and scaled-up activities does not involve

undertaking civil works and therefore environmental or resettlement risks are expected to be negligible. However, as an added precaution, as with KYDP2, the proposed project will use an environmental and social screening check-list to screen out any potentially non-conforming activities as elaborated in the Operational Manual.
<b>2. Describe any potential indirect and/or long term impacts due to anticipated future activities in the project area:</b>
The long term potential impacts are anticipated to be positive since the Additional Financing will promote social cohesion and peacebuilding by facilitating inter-ethnic collaboration among youth, and by improving the economic opportunities of young people in Kosovo.
<b>3. Describe any project alternatives (if relevant) considered to help avoid or minimize adverse impacts:</b>
n.a.
<b>4. Describe measures taken by the borrower to address safeguard policy issues. Provide an assessment of borrower capacity to plan and implement the measures described:</b>
The Department of Youth under the Ministry of Culture Youth and Sport will continue to serve as the project implementing agency (PIU). The proposed PIU has considerable experience in implementing Bank projects having implemented both KYDP and KYDP2. The PIU is well versed in and has a track record of satisfactory performance in adhering to Bank fiduciary principles and procedures.
<b>5. Identify the key stakeholders and describe the mechanisms for consultation and disclosure on safeguard policies, with an emphasis on potentially affected people:</b>
n.a.

<b><i>B. Disclosure Requirements Date</i></b>	
<b>Environmental Assessment/Audit/Management Plan/Other:</b>	
Was the document disclosed <i>prior to appraisal</i> ?	n.a.
Date of receipt by the Bank	n.a.
Date of "in-country" disclosure	n.a.
Date of submission to InfoShop	n.a.
For category A projects, date of distributing the Executive Summary of the EA to the Executive Directors	n.a.
<b>Resettlement Action Plan/Framework/Policy Process:</b>	
Was the document disclosed <i>prior to appraisal</i> ?	n.a.
Date of receipt by the Bank	n.a.
Date of "in-country" disclosure	n.a.
Date of submission to InfoShop	n.a.
<b>Indigenous Peoples Plan/Planning Framework:</b>	
Was the document disclosed <i>prior to appraisal</i> ?	n.a.
Date of receipt by the Bank	n.a.
Date of "in-country" disclosure	n.a.
Date of submission to InfoShop	n.a.
<b>Pest Management Plan:</b>	
Was the document disclosed <i>prior to appraisal</i> ?	n.a.

Date of receipt by the Bank	n.a.
Date of "in-country" disclosure	n.a.
Date of submission to InfoShop	n.a.
<b>* If the project triggers the Pest Management and/or Physical Cultural Resources policies, the respective issues are to be addressed and disclosed as part of the Environmental Assessment/Audit/or EMP.</b>	
<b>If in-country disclosure of any of the above documents is not expected, please explain why:</b>	
n.a.	

*C. Compliance Monitoring Indicators at the Corporate Level (to be filled in when the ISDS is finalized by the project decision meeting)*

<b>OP/BP 4.01 - Environment Assessment</b>			
Does the project require a stand-alone EA (including EMP) report?	Yes [ ]	No [ X ]	N/A [ ]
If yes, then did the Regional Environment Unit or Sector Manager (SM) review and approve the EA report?			
Are the cost and the accountabilities for the EMP incorporated in the credit/loan?			
<b>OP/BP 4.04 - Natural Habitats</b>			
Would the project result in any significant conversion or degradation of critical natural habitats?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	N/A [ X ]
If the project would result in significant conversion or degradation of other (non-critical) natural habitats, does the project include mitigation measures acceptable to the Bank?			
<b>OP 4.09 - Pest Management</b>			
Does the EA adequately address the pest management issues?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	N/A [ X ]
Is a separate PMP required?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	N/A [ X ]
If yes, has the PMP been reviewed and approved by a safeguards specialist or Sector Manager? Are PMP requirements included in project design? If yes, does the project team include a Pest Management Specialist?			
<b>OP/BP 4.11 – Physical Cultural Resources</b>			
Does the EA include adequate measures related to cultural property?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	N/A [ X ]
Does the credit/loan incorporate mechanisms to mitigate the potential adverse impacts on physical cultural resources?			
<b>OP/BP 4.10 - Indigenous Peoples</b>			
Has a separate Indigenous Peoples Plan/Planning Framework (as appropriate) been prepared in consultation with affected Indigenous Peoples?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	N/A [ X ]
If yes, then did the Regional unit responsible for safeguards or Sector Manager review the plan?			

If the whole project is designed to benefit IP, has the design been reviewed and approved by the Regional Social Development Unit?			
<b>OP/BP 4.12 - Involuntary Resettlement</b>			
Has a resettlement plan/abbreviated plan/policy framework/process framework (as appropriate) been prepared?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	N/A [ X ]
If yes, then did the Regional unit responsible for safeguards or Sector Manager review and approve the plan/policy framework/process framework?			
<b>OP/BP 4.36 – Forests</b>			
Has the sector-wide analysis of policy and institutional issues and constraints been carried out?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	N/A [ X ]
Does the project design include satisfactory measures to overcome these constraints?			
Does the project finance commercial harvesting, and if so, does it include provisions for certification system?			
<b>OP/BP 4.37 - Safety of Dams</b>			
Have dam safety plans been prepared?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	N/A [ X ]
Have the TORs as well as composition for the independent Panel of Experts (POE) been reviewed and approved by the Bank?			
Has an Emergency Preparedness Plan (EPP) been prepared and arrangements been made for public awareness and training?			
<b>OP/BP 7.50 - Projects on International Waterways</b>			
Have the other riparians been notified of the project?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	N/A [ X ]
If the project falls under one of the exceptions to the notification requirement, has this been cleared with the Legal Department, and the memo to the RVP prepared and sent?			
What are the reasons for the exception? Please explain:			
Has the RVP approved such an exception?			
<b>OP/BP 7.60 - Projects in Disputed Areas</b>			
Has the memo conveying all pertinent information on the international aspects of the project, including the procedures to be followed, and the recommendations for dealing with the issue, been prepared	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	N/A [ X ]
Does the PAD/MOP include the standard disclaimer referred to in the OP?			
<b>The World Bank Policy on Disclosure of Information</b>			
Have relevant safeguard policies documents been sent to the World Bank's Infoshop?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	N/A [ X ]

Have relevant documents been disclosed in-country in a public place in a form and language that are understandable and accessible to project-affected groups and local NGOs?	
<b>All Safeguard Policies</b>	
Have satisfactory calendar, budget and clear institutional responsibilities been prepared for the implementation of measures related to safeguard policies?	Yes [ ]      No [ ]      N/A [ X ]
Have costs related to safeguard policy measures been included in the project cost?	
Does the Monitoring and Evaluation system of the project include the monitoring of safeguard impacts and measures related to safeguard policies?	
Have satisfactory implementation arrangements been agreed with the borrower and the same been adequately reflected in the project legal documents?	

***D. Approvals***

<b><i>Signed and submitted by:</i></b>	<b><i>Name</i></b>	<b><i>Date</i></b>
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Environmental Specialist:	Cesar Niculescu, Environment Specialist	June 10, 2014
Social Development Specialist	Tomoko Unaki, Social Development Consultant	June 10, 2014
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