CORPORATE SUSTAINABILITY PRINCIPLES *November 2017*

The World Bank manages its internal operations to safeguard the wellbeing of staff as well as the ecosystems, communities, and economies in which we work. We are adopting the principles listed below to better manage impacts from our internal operations, support the World Bank Environmental and Social Framework, and contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals.

Be Climate Resilient

ESS3 Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention and Management: Address resource efficiency and pollution prevention and management throughout the project life-cycle

ESS4 Community Health and Safety: Assist communities in their ability to handle extreme weather events and natural disasters

SDG 13.1: Strengthen resilience and adaptive capacity to climate-related hazards and natural disasters

Be Energy Smart

ESS3 Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention and Management: Address resource efficiency and pollution prevention and management throughout the project life-cycle.

SDG 7.2: Increase substantially the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix

SDG 7.3: Double the global rate of improvement in energy efficiency

Be Water Efficient

ESS3 Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention and Management: Address resource efficiency and pollution prevention and management throughout the project life-cycle

ESS6 Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Management of Living Natural Resources: Promotes the protection of water-related ecosystems

SDG 6.4: Substantially increase water-use efficiency across all sectors and ensure sustainable withdrawals and supply of freshwater to address water scarcity and substantially reduce the number of people suffering from water scarcity Maximize water-use efficiency and ensure sustainable withdrawals and supply of freshwater

Ensure Resource Efficiency

ESS3 Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention and Management: Address resource efficiency and pollution prevention and management throughout the project life-cycle

ESS6 Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Management of Living Natural Resources: Promotes sustainable management of living natural resources.

SDG 12.2: Achieve sustainable management and efficient use of natural resources

SDG 12.7: Promote public procurement practices that are sustainable, in accordance with national policies and priorities

Reduce waste

ESS3 Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention and Management: Address resource efficiency and pollution prevention and management throughout the project life-cycle

SDG 6.3: Reduce pollution, eliminate dumping and minimize release of hazardous chemicals and materials, increase recycling and safe reuse globally

SDG 12.5: Substantially reduce waste generation through prevention, reduction, recycling and reuse

Enhance diversity and inclusion

ESS1 Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts: Promotes non-discriminatory policies for sustainable development through the proposed non-discrimination principle

ESS2 Labor and Working Conditions: Promote sound worker-management relationships and enhance the development benefits of a project by treating workers in the project fairly and providing safe and healthy working conditions

SDG 10.2: Empower and promote the social, economic and political inclusion of all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status

Ensure staff wellbeing

ESS2 Labor and Working Conditions: Promote sound worker-management relationships and enhance the development benefits of a project by treating workers in the project fairly and providing safe and healthy working conditions.

SDG 8.8: Protect labor rights and promote safe and secure working environments for all workers

SDG 3.9: Reduce the number of deaths and illnesses from hazardous chemicals and air, water and soil pollution and contamination

Promote sustainable land management

ESS4 Community Health and Safety: Avoid or minimize health, safety, and security risks and impacts, with particular attention to people who, because of their particular circumstances, may be vulnerable.

ESS6 Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Management of Living Natural Resources: Promote sustainable management of forests and reduced degradation of natural habitats

SDG 11.4: Protect and safeguard the world's cultural and natural heritage

SDG 11.7: Provide access to safe, inclusive and accessible, green and public spaces, including for people with disabilities.

SDG 15.5: Prevent the degradation of natural habitats, halt loss of biodiversity and strive to achieve a land degradation-neutral project

Engage and preserve the community

ESS4 Community Health and Safety: avoid or minimize health, safety, and security risks and impacts, with particular attention to people who, because of their particular circumstances, may be vulnerable.

SDG 8.5: Support full and productive employment and decent work for all women and men, including for young people and persons with disabilities, and equal pay for work of equal value

SDG 9.3: Increase the access of small-scale industrial and other enterprises in particular in developing countries, to financial services, including affordable credit, and their integration into value chains and markets

Eliminate corruption

ESS1 Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts sets: promotes non-discriminatory policies for sustainable development through the proposed non-discrimination principle

SDG 16.5: Reduce corruption and bribery in all their forms

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