

EDFI Harmonized List of High Risk Sectors

EXAMPLES OF HIGH RISK CLIENTS BY INDUSTRY SECTORS / HIGH RISK PROJECT TYPES

The following sectors are considered usually to be high risk industry sectors, for both new developments (Greenfield) as for existing companies (brownfield). Depending on project specifics the e & s risks of individual projects may be considered to be medium. In such cases detailed rationales for categorization must be documented.

The sectors as listed below cover the activities as defined under the heading 'Applicability' of the corresponding IFC's Environmental, Health, and Safety Guidelines as defined under IFC's Performance Standards or directly trigger IFC Performance Standard 5-8.

Infrastructure

- Railways
- Ports, harbors and terminals
- Airports
- Toll roads
- Crude oil and petroleum product terminals
- Pipelines
- Long distance overhead transmission lines
- Large dams (hydro power plants / irrigation/water supply)
- River-run-off hydro power plants (> 50 MW)
- Waste management / Waste treatment facilities
- Thermal power: new plants (> 50 MW)
- Thermal power: existing plants (> 50 MW)
- Wind parks (> 100 MW installed capacity)

Oil & Gas

- Offshore oil and gas development
- Onshore oil and gas development
- Liquefied natural gas (LNG) facilities

Large Scale Primary Production (Plants / Animals)

- Plantation crop production
- Forestry
- Aquaculture
- Animal production

Heavy Industry

- Cement and lime manufacturing
- Glass manufacturing
- Construction materials extraction
- Integrated steel mills
- Base metal smelting and Refining
- Pulp and paper mills

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- Foundries
- Pharmaceuticals and biotechnology manufacturing
- Coal processing
- Natural gas processing
- Oleo chemicals manufacturing
- Nitrogenous fertilizer manufacturing
- Phosphate fertilizer manufacturing
- Pesticides manufacturing and packaging
- Petroleum-based polymers manufacturing
- Petroleum refining
- Large volume petroleum-based organic chemicals manufacturing
- Large volume inorganic compounds manufacturing and coal tar distillation

Mining

- Mining (open pit and underground)

Socially Critical Projects

- Projects with large groups of low-skilled labor, for instance in free trade zones etc. (e.g. textiles manufacturing projects which may affect indigenous or tribal populations)
- Projects which may affect areas of archaeological or cultural significance
- Projects which cause or have caused (during last 5 years) physical or economic resettlement
- Projects which cause retrenchment of more than 10% of the present work force (or > 50 workers)

Environmentally Critical Projects

- Projects in or bordering ecological sensitive or protected areas (e.g. agriculture in Amazon area, large scale tourism projects)
- Large scale conversion of natural habitats
- Large scale land reclamation
- Projects that have potential to heavily impact ecosystem services (e.g. due to intensive use of ground water)

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http://www1.ifc.org/wps/wcm/connect/Topics_Ext_Content/IFC_External_Corporate_Site/IFC+Sustainability/Sustainability+Framework/