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ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN

EMP

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EMP procedures are in detail described in the IF Environment and Social Management Framework (ESMF). Environmental and Social Management Framework specifies environmental and social procedures for implemented projects to adhere to, including Environmental Management Plan, which are consistent with Serbian national legislation and safeguard policies.

Project IF ID: 50369

I. MITIGATION PLAN

No.	Phase	Issue	Mitigating Measure	Cost of Mitigation (If Substantial)	Responsibility*	Supervision observation and comments (to be filled out during supervision)
1.	Q1: 1. Establishment of management and communication plan	Q1 – 1. During the establishment of management methods and definition of communication plan no impact on environment is expected. Lack of information,	Albeit no impact on environment is expected throughout Project Q1 activities, a special attention is paid to following: - Implementation of an overall project management system. - Meeting with ISO	None	The Grant recipient	



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		knowledge and duties	9001 standard
		regarding environmental	requirements (already
		protection may result in	certified with).
		their exception from the	- Fulfilment of ISO
		Plan and cause inadequate	14001 standard
		environmental protection	requirements (already
		approach in latter project	certified with).
		phases.	- Integration of the EMP
			into the Plan.
2.	2. Provision of	Q1 – 2. During contracting	- Complying with the
	equipment for	and procurement of	existing Waste
	modeling	Computer-aided Design	Management Plan.
		(CAD) software, PC	- Development of Risk
		computers, 3D scanner	management strategy
		and 3D printer no impact	within the Plan.
		on environment is	- Regulatory framework
		expected.	concerning
		Purchased goods would	environmental
		eventually be subject of	protection and working
		waste management	environment
		(and/or circular economy if	conditions.
		applicable), yet it is of a	
		very low probability to	- Purchased equipment
		happen within this project	quality certificates,
		timeframe.	technical and
			performance
3.	3. Realization of	Q1 – 3. During	specifications, and
	proof of concept	development of a	energy efficiency levels
		kinematic model of a	(including products
		pantograph (with the	compliance with





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objective to determine an	Directive EU		
optimal manpower in the	2009/125/EC on eco-		
working range) no impact	design requirements for		
on environment is	energy-related		
expected due to the very	products and		
nature of kinematic	Regulation		
modeling.	(EU)2017/1369 on		
Prolonged realization	energy labelling –		
process may lead to higher	where transposed in		
consumption of energy.	national legislation).		
	Project team is well		
	informed about		
	environmental		
	protection obligations.		
	With its integrality Plan		
	determines all latter		
	project phases, thus		
	additionally decreases		
	possibility of any		
	notable environmental		
	impact occurrence.		
	Know-how of the		
	consortium team (with		
	recently updated		
	procedure in member		
	R&D department)		
	ensure the proof of		
	concept is obtained in		



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4.	Q2: 1. Designing aerodynamic profile of the structure	Q2 – 1. In the course of designing of the aerodynamic profile of the structure no impact on environment is expected due to the very nature of a designing process, and because aerodynamic profile is predominantly done in a computational mode. Prolonged designing process may lead to higher consumption of energy.	timely manner and fully according to project requirements, and the proof-of-concept deriving rules, hence preventing higher energy consumption. Quality control. Ensuring approvals on Plan and kinematic model by consortium. Applying green designing and engineering to highest possible extent, and according to project innovation concept. Incorporating environmental innovation green postulates - of product design, raw material, production processes, and waste treatment - to highest possible extent, and according to project technology. Time management in	None	The Grant recipient	
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generated. Ensuring proper maintenance of equipment. Strict



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some impact on	established and verified
environment.	internal procedures.
	Highly skilled
Potential, local, limited	manpower.
impact on environment	
and people from imprope	
maintenance of the	used resources (in
equipment.	order to avoid their
	overexploitation).
Overuse of resources	Energy efficiency
during manufacturing.	measures.
	Testing of working
Energy waste.	environment conditions
	- microclimate - at the
Construction process	production facility,
technology such as	when all technological
welding may lead to a risk	capacities are in
of sparking.	motion, are conducted
	annually by a licensed
Lower quality, defect or	laboratory.
deformations of raw	
material, production	Ensuring occupational
inputs and/or construction	
tools may cause different	t implementation of
potentially negative	Rulebook on
impact on	occupational safety and
production/construction	health, and Act on risk
process, quality of the	assessment at the
planned outputs, safety	workplace and in the
and health of the workers	^S work environment.



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engaged, and	Ensuring fire-protecting
environment.	measures –
	implementation of Fire
	protection rules, and
	Fire protection training
	program for employees.
	program for employees.
	Rigorous
	implementation of the
	EN 15085 standard -
	Railway standard:
	Welding of railway
	vehicles and
	components (already
	certified with).
	Regular quality and
	safety control of the
	MIG/MAG welding
	equipment.
	Trained and skilled
	welders.
	Internal quality policy
	implementation.
	Quality control
	(complex and 4-phased)
	of whole manufacturing
	process: input control
	of raw materials, input
	control of outsourced



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6.	3. Preparation of 3D	Q2 – 3. Preparation of	components, intermediate control of subassemblies and operations, and final control of the units. Use of modern Computer Numerical Control (CNC) equipment for gaining accuracy of products and desired quality. Production and construction operations are done following predefined technical specifications for interoperability and internal working protocols in a facility equipped exclusively for the production of pantographs. Environmental monitoring.			
0.	Model Pantograph	Welding Procedure Specification (WPS)	3D Model Pantograph is developed and prepared fully	None	The Grant recipient	



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books/list, technical	according to EN 50206-		
documentation, Bill of	1 (Railway applications,		
Materials (BOM),	Rolling Stock,		
Processing technology, and	Pantographs:		
Quality control list, as well	Characteristics and		
as Computer Numerical	tests – Part 1:		
Control (CNC) programing	Pantographs for main		
and purchase of material	line vehicles) and EN		
for prototype are expected	50367 (Railway		
to have no impact on	applications, Fixed		
environment due to the	installations – Criteria		
very nature of these	to achieve technical		
activities.	compatibility between		
Prolonged preparation	pantographs and		
process may lead to higher	overhead contact line)		
consumption of resources	standards.		
and energy.			
	Ensuring energy		
	efficiency during the		
	preparation of		
	processing technology.		
	Ensuring resources		
	smart-utilization		
	management.		
	All information on		
	purchased materials for		
	prototype will be		
	obtained from the		
	producer(s).		
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	Q3:		Whenever possible, purchase will target more environmentally friendly material or product. Wherever possible, all listing preparation work will be done electronically, i.e., virtually, saving paper as much as possible. Quality control.			
7.	1. Calculations of aerodynamic forces	During calculations of aerodynamic forces, no impact on environment is expected due to the nature of a process of performing calculations.	Ensuring strict adherence to project design and components interoperability.	None	The Grant recipient	
8.	2. Construction of Air Wings	Construction of air wings may provoke a certain amount of waste. An improper waste management may bring to some impact on environment.	Construction is done with certified equipment and tools, by skilled professionals specially trained for the project, and at indoor facility. Waste management.	May impose some additional costs (e.g., in case of an equipment failure or a need to reordering or reconstructing) yet cost of mitigation <i>per</i> <i>se</i> is none or not	The Grant recipient	



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		Potential, local, limited impact on environment and people from improper maintenance of the equipment.	Smart utilization of used resources. Energy efficiency measures.	significant.		
		Overuse of resources and energy during construction.	Ensuring occupational safety measures and fire-protecting measures.			
	Q4:	Potentially negative impact on construction process, quality of the planned outputs, safety and health of the workers engaged, and environment due to lower quality, defect or deformations of raw material, production inputs and/or construction tools.	Quality control - ensuring approvals are obtained by all consortium members. Quality system policy of Project Q3 activities competent consortium member (Faculty and its Innovation Center).			
9.	1. Production of the first pantograph prototype	Q4 – 1. During the production of the first pantograph prototype, a certain waste amount may occur. Construction process technology such as	In due with pantograph usual mode production technological process and the Project design, applied measures are as in Q2 - 2, including: - Management and communication plan implementation.	May impose some additional costs (e.g., in case of an equipment failure or a need to reproduction) yet cost of mitigation <i>per se</i> is none or not significant.	The Grant recipient	



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a risk - EN 15085 standard
implementation.
- Use of modern
s and Computer Numerical
ction Control equipment.
- Resources
sustainability
management.
- Full implementation of
internal Waste
Management Plan.
- Rigorous quality
control procedure.
- Environmental
monitoring.
Production is done in
the facility intended
and equipped (certified
equipment) exclusively
for the production of
pantographs with
perennial production of
pantographs.
Testing of working
environment conditions
- microclimate - at the
production facility,
when all technological



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			capacities are in motion, are conducted annually by a licensed laboratory.			
10.	2. Aero tunnel testing of the first pantograph prototype Q5 – Q6:	Q4 – 2. During the aero tunnel testing of the first pantograph prototype no impact on environment is expected due to aero tunnel testing characteristics. Prolonged testing may lead to higher consumption of energy.	Certified equipment. Smart innovation management – avoiding unnecessary and excessive testing thus save energy and other resources. Testing is performed indoor, in a specialized facility, with no impact on external environment.	None	The Grant recipient	
11.	Revisions	During revisions of the prototype aero testing no impact on environment is expected. Prolonged revisions may lead to higher consumption of resources and energy.	Using adequate equipment and tools for revision measurement and evaluation processes. Smart innovation management – avoiding unnecessary and excessive revisions, hence saving energy	None	The Grant recipient	



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			and other resources. Ensure involvement and approval of all consortium members.			
12.	Q7. 1. Development of the simulation model.	During development of the simulation model and the prototype behavior simulation conducting no new impact on environment is expected.	Simulation model is environmentally friendly.	None	The Grant recipient	
	2. Simulation of the pantograph prototype behavior	Prolonged simulation process may lead to higher consumption of resources and energy.	Simulation of the prototype behavior is done in a specialized, properly prepared and equipped surrounding. Ensure application of all			
			safety and health protocols – implementation of internal documents. Constant professional surveillance. Quality control			



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	Q8.		approach. Smart innovation management – avoiding unnecessary and excessive simulations, to save energy and other resources.			
13.	1. Production of the first high reach pantograph for high speed	Q8 - 1. During the production of the first high reach pantograph for high speed, a certain waste amount may be generated. Potential impact on environment is due to improper maintenance of equipment. Overuse of resources and energy during manufacturing. Construction process technology such as welding may lead to a risk of sparking.	Management and communication plan. Production plan. Production is done in the facility intended and equipped exclusively for the production of pantographs. Deep expertise of the engaged project team. ISO 9001, ISO 14001, EN 15085 standards implementation. Use of modern Computer Numerical Control equipment. Production and construction operations	May impose some additional costs (e.g., in case of an equipment failure or a need to reordering or reproduction) yet cost of mitigation <i>per se</i> is none or not significant.	The Grant recipient	



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	deformations of raw	are done following		
	material, production	clear internal working		
	inputs and/or construction	protocols all personnel		
	tools may cause different	is familiar with.		
	potentially negative impact on	Full implementation of		
	production/construction	internal Waste		
	process, quality of the	Management Plan.		
	planned outputs, safety	Final waste disposal		
	and health of the workers	according to signed		
	engaged, and	service agreements		
	environment.	with licensed operators.		
	environment.			
		Smart utilization of		
		used resources (in		
		order to avoid their		
		overexploitation).		
		Energy efficiency		
		measures.		
		Ensuring occupational		
		safety measures.		
		Ensuring fire-protecting		
		measures.		
		Rigorous final product		
		quality control.		
		Environmental		
		monitoring.		
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14.	2. Preparation of the	Q8 - 2. During preparation	Final documentation is	None	The Grant recipient	
	final documentation	of the final documentation	prepared according to			
		no impact on environment	the recognized			
		is expected.	innovation project			
			management and			
			international standards.			
			Avoiding unnecessary			
			paper cost.			

*Items indicated to be the responsibility of the contractor shall be specified in the bid documents

II. MONITORING PLAN

No.	Phase	What parameter is to be monitored?	Where is the parameter to be monitored?	How is the parameter to be monitored/ type of monitoring equipment?	When is the parameter to be monitored- frequency of measurement or continuous?	Monitoring Cost What is the cost of equipment or contractor charges to perform monitoring?	Responsibility	Supervision observation and comments (to be filled out during supervision with reference to adequate measuring reports)
1.	Q1. 1. Establishment of management and communication plan	Quality (green agenda, content, coverage, feasibility, etc.) of the Plan. Compliance with other relevant plans	In the process of the Plan drafting, and in the Plan.	Through Plan green agenda check list that will be prepared by consortium members prior to the Plan drafting.	Throughout the Plan drafting process, and once the Plan is established.	None	The Grant recipient	



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2. Provision of equipment for modeling	and standards, and regulatory framework. Familiarity of the project team with environmental protection matters. Quality of the purchased equipment. Ordering, delivery and accompanying logistics management related to act of purchase of equipment.	Through certifications and technical specifications of the equipment.	Through receiving and keeping all certifications and technical specifications of the equipment. Reporting to management.	Prior to procurement, and during the provision process.	None	The Grant recipient	
3. Realization of proof of concept	Objectives of the proof-of- concept realization approach and methodology.	Through the proof-of- concept realization process.	Through realization check list (namely Proof of concept success	Throughout the model development process.	None	The Grant recipient	



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2.	Q2:	Quality (level of needed qualitative and quantitative data provision) of developed kinematic model of a pantograph.		criteria list) that will be prepared by consortium members prior to the development of pantograph kinematic model. Reporting to management.				
	1. Designing aerodynamic profile of the structure	Quality of the structure aerodynamic profile design.	In the structure aerodynamic profile design process.	Through realization and quality check lists that will be prepared by consortium members prior to the structure aerodynamic profile design. Reporting to management.	Throughout the structure aerodynamic profile design process.	None	The Grant recipient	



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2. Construction	Quality of the	Across the	Through	Prior to, during and	None	The Grant recipient	
of tools	constructed	process of	quality check	after the			
	tools:	tools	list that will	completion of the			
	Quantity	construction.	be prepared	process of tools			
	Dimension		by the	construction.			
	Tolerance		consortium				
	Completeness		members				
	Functionality		prior to				
	Interoperability		construction				
	Static contact		of tools				
	force		(Basis for				
	Finishing		quality check				
	(All relative to		list are ISO				
	the project		14001				
	predefined		requirements,				
	design,		EN 15085				
	drawings,		standard				
	models and		requirements,				
	profiles).		technical				
			specifications,				
	Construction		measurement				
	plan fulfilment.		lists, and test				
			lists).				
	EN 15085						
	standard		Internal work				
	implementation.		orders and				
			reporting to				
			management.				
	Waste	On the project	Through	During construction	Non-significant in	Contractor (optional)	





	temporary storage processes and quantities estimation of generated waste.	site. Temporary storage of the facility.	checklist for environmental compliance audit. Waste management plan. Visual monitoring. Keeping records in accordance with regulations.	process. Continuously, daily.	case outsourced.		
3. Preparation of 3D Model Pantograph	Level (quality and quantity) of preparation for 3D modelling.	In 3D Model Pantograph preparation process.	Technical documentation book. Financial data (input and output invoices). Processing technology preparation and CNC programing	Prior to and during the 3D Model Pantograph preparation.	None	The Grant recipient	



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3.	Q3. 1. Calculations of aerodynamic forces 2. Construction of Air Wings	Quality of the constructed air wings: Quantity	Across the process of air wings construction.	protocols. Quality control list. Internal work orders and reporting to management. Through quality check list that will be prepared	Prior to, during and after the completion of the process of air wings	None	The Grant recipient	
		Dimension Tolerance Completeness Functionality Interoperability Static contact force Finishing (All relative to the project predefined design,	construction.	be prepared by the consortium members prior to construction of air wings. Internal work orders and reporting to management.	construction.			



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		drawings, models and profiles). Construction plan fulfilment.		Through checklist for environmental compliance audit.	During construction process.	Non-significant in case outsourced.	Contractor (optional)	
4.	Q4.	Waste temporary storage processes and quantities estimation of the generated waste.	On the project site. Temporary storage of the facility.	Waste management. Visual monitoring. Keeping records.	Continuously, daily.			
	1. Production of the first pantograph prototype	Quality of the produced pantograph prototype: Dimension Tolerance Completeness Functionality Interoperability Static contact force Finishing (All relative to the project predefined	Across the process of pantograph prototype production.	Through quality check list that will be prepared by the consortium members prior to production of pantograph prototype (Basis for quality check list are ISO 14001	Prior to, during and after the completion of the process of pantograph prototype production.	None	The Grant recipient	



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design, drawings, models and profiles). Production plan fulfilment. EN 15085 standard implementation		requirements, EN 15085 standard requirements, technical specifications, measurement lists, and test lists). Internal work orders and reporting to management. Through checklist for environmental	During the production.	Non-significant in case outsourced.	Contractor (optional)	
Waste temporary storage processes and quantities estimation of the generated waste.	On the project site. Temporary storage of the facility.	compliance audit Waste management plan. Visual monitoring. Keeping records in accordance with	Continuously, daily.			



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	2. Aero tunnel testing of the first pantograph prototype	Prototype performance.	In a process of aero tunnel testing.	regulations. Through predefined and prepared performance check list.	During the testing.	None	The Grant recipient
5.	Q7. 1. Development of the simulation model.						
	2. Simulation of the pantograph prototype behavior	Prototype performance.	In a process of prototype behavior simulation.	Through performance check list. Through checklist for environmental compliance audit.	During the simulation process.	None Non-significant in case outsourced.	The Grant recipient Contractor (optional)
6.	Q8. 1. Production of	Quality of the	Across the	Reporting to management. Through	Prior to, during and	None	The Grant recipient





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the first high	produced high	process of the	quality check	after the			
reach	reach	production of	list that will	completion of the			
pantograph for	pantograph for	the first high	be prepared	process of			
high speed	high speed:	reach	by the	production of high			
	Dimension	pantograph	consortium	reach pantograph			
	Tolerance	for high	members	for high speed.			
	Completeness	speed.	prior to				
	Functionality		production				
	Interoperability		(List basis:				
	Static contact		management				
	force		and				
	Finishing		production				
	(According to		plans).				
	the predefined						
	production		Internal work				
	design		orders and				
	requirements).		reporting to				
			management.				
	Production plan						
	fulfilment.		Through	During the	Non-significant in	Contractor (optional)	
			checklist for	production process.	case outsourced.		
	EN 15085		environmental				
	standard		compliance				
	implementation.		audit.				
	Waste	On the project	Waste	Continuously, daily.			
	temporary	site.	management				
	storage	Temporary	plan.				
	processes and	storage of the	Visual				
	quantities	facility.	monitoring.				



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estimation (keeping daily records) of the generated waste.	Keeping records in accordance with regulations.		



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III. PUBLIC CONSULTATION DETAILS AND MINUTES OF MEETING FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN

In a separate document provide details on:

- 1. Manner in which notification of the consultation was announced: media(s) used, date(s), description or copy of the announcement
- 2. Date(s) consultation(s) was (were) held
- 3. Location(s) consultation(s) was (were) held
- 4. Who was specifically invited (Name, Organization or Occupation, Telephone/Fax/e-mail number/address (home and/or office)?
- 5. List of Attendees (Name, organization or occupation, contact details)
- 6. Meeting Agenda
- 7. Summary Meeting Minutes (Comments, Questions and Response by Presenters)
- 8. List of decisions reached, and any actions agreed upon with schedules and deadlines and responsibilities.



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Date				
Name				
Title				
Signature				

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1. Manner in which notification of the consultation was announced

Notification of the Public consultation appeared on MINEL GENERAL ELECTRIC company official site on January 25th, 2022. The announcement briefly informed public about the project and called for comments, suggestions and questions regarding Environmental Management Plan *via* the given e-mail address.

The announcement is available at:

http://www.minelge.rs/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/text.pdf

The EMP Draft version was accessible to the general public for review and comments from January 25th till January 31st, 2022.

http://www.minelge.rs/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/CGS-EMP-5.0-MINEL-GE-DRAFT-no.1-2.pdf

A number of relevant stakeholders were specifically invited with a notification and Draft EMP enclosed:

Professional public – professors at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering in Belgrade:

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Local community of Vojka, municipality of Stara Pazova (location of our production facility): <u>Mz.vojka@mts.rs</u>

A number of independent environmental consulting practitioners were directly informed, as well.

2. Date(s) consultation(s) was (were) held

The Grant recipient internal meeting regarding EMP Draft Public consultation, in a hybrid mode (in vivo and *via* Zoom) due to pandemic measures, was held on January 31st, 2022.

3. Location(s) consultation(s) was (were) held

The Grant recipient meeting on EMP Draft Public consultation was held at the offices of MINEL GENERAL ELECTRIC company in Vojka.

4. List of Attendees (Name, organization or occupation, e-mail address)

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5. Meeting Agenda

- Brief explanation of the overall environmental management framework and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) subject and purpose.

- Presentation of the EMP Draft for the Project marked IF ID 50369 at the Innovation Fund.
- Discussion on the EMP Draft: comments, questions, responses, clarifications.
- Approval of the EMP Draft.
- Informing about the next steps regarding the EMP.

6. Summary of Meeting Minutes and decisions reached

At the beginning of the meeting the participants got acquainted with the overall environmental management framework and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) subject and purpose. It was said that EMP is the key management tool and leading environmental management document related to environmental performance of a business, production, construction, project or some other work. EMP is an integral part of the business, project, or technical documentation. EMP provides a strategic framework for managing potential environmental impacts associated with the business, production, construction, project, etc., and defines the procedures to be implemented by the (legal) entity that bear the responsibility for the determined business, project, or technical documentation (main design or technology), is usually based on the list of predicted impacts which has been used to define mitigation measures at Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Study, with request to be implemented to mitigate potential impacts, and commonly contains:

- Mitigation Plan: Parameters on the basis of which it is possible to determine the harmful effects on the environment (parameters to be followed, and on the basis of which harmful effects can be determined, are determined on the basis of the state of the environment, identification and quantification of specific pollution sources).

- Monitoring Plan: Places, method and frequency of measurement of the established parameters (Determination of the location, method and frequency of measurement of the determined parameters is carried out in accordance with the required norms and standards).

Next, the presentation of the EMP Draft for the Project marked IF ID 50369 at the Innovation Fund was made. It was stated that the Project EMP Draft was prepared fully based on the following sources:

- Pantograph production known technology,
- Submitted Project Business Plan, and
- Filled Project Environmental Screening Questionnaire (ESQ).

It was emphasized that due to the project innovation nature, the Project EMP Draft addresses only planned milestones of the project quarters as given in the Business Plan presented within the Innovation Fund Collaborative Grant Scheme Program public call.

Therefore, the consortium team (the Grant recipient) ascertains that an update and upgrade of the Project EMP is possible prior to or/and during the project implementation timeframe under the influence of

further professional supervision process, consultations with stakeholders or project affected persons, or due to assessment of mitigation measures' effectiveness.

Continuing, responses and clarifications were provided to several comments and questions received during the public consultation process.

> Why other environmental factors, such as wastewater, air emissions, soil contamination, noise are not elaborated in the Project EMP Draft?

Clarification: Because of the fact that it was estimated by the project team that the project activities would not generate these types of impact on environment. As designed the project activities regarding construction and production phases are predominantly the same as the activities that represent part of the primary activities range of the pantograph production process of the Applicant (The Grant recipient) within its production facility, and from the experience we learn that these activities do not generate wastewater nor air emissions or noise that would require control (mitigation and monitoring) measures.

> Do you expect cumulative impact? Answer: No.

> How do you plan to operate resources management?

Answer: Smart (efficient) resources management is at the core of our railway pantograph and different electromechanical components production processes. Upon perennial praxis, we have established manufacturing procedures that are result of our research and technological development and are based on resources efficiency. Moreover, our rigorous multi-phased quality control does not allow material or energy waste.

> What EMP Draft mitigation measure you value as the most prominent one?

Answer: Full and continual implementation of various standards we are already certified with (to mention just few: EN 15085, ISO 14001, ISO 9001) could be seen as one of the most promising tools in preventing any negative impact on environment.

> Monitoring is significantly based on checking lists. Please explain.

Clarification: In our case, checking lists are proven mean of whole production process quality monitoring. Thus, we consider checking list an effective manner of holistic environmental monitoring.

> What type of waste will be mostly generated?

Answer: Technologies applied in railway pantograph production mostly generate wastes from cutting and preparation of parts (sawdust - metal shavings), waste worn electrodes and waste slag. Also, packaging waste (paper, cardboard, plastic, metal, wood), waste absorbents, filter materials and protective clothing, electronic and electrical waste, waste fluo pipes could be generated.

> What is ensured by implementing EN 15085 standard?

Clarification: EN 15085 standard covers quality requirements and assessments of welding manufacturers, design requirements, production requirements, inspection, testing and documentation. Compliance with this standard means having qualified resources and capabilities to perform at the highest quality level, comprehensively ensuring safety of people, environment and equipment operation.

This is one of the reasons for having such relations between environmental protection, work-force safety and production process quality in the project EMP Draft.

After the discussion, the EMP Draft was unanimously approved.

The meeting attendees were informed that the Project EMP Draft will be assessed by independent environmental management expert before submitting it to the Innovation Fund.