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# **Abbreviations**

BSTDB	Black Sea Trade and Development Bank
CLO	Community Liaison Officer
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EPC	Engineering, Procurement and Construction
EPC	HZI-Makyol
Contractor	
ESAP	Environmental and Social Action Plan
ESDD	Environmental and Social Due Diligence
HZI-Makyol	Hitachi Zosen Inova – Makyol İnşaat Sanayi Turizm ve Ticaret A.Ş. Joint Venture
IFC	International Finance Corporation
IMM	Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality
ISTAC	Istanbul Environmental Management Industry and Trading Company
KPI	Key Performance Indicator
MoEU	Ministry of Environment and Urbanization
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NTS	Non-Technical Summary
Operator	ISTAC
PS	Performance Standards
SEP	Stakeholder Engagement Plan
ТОВВ	Turkey Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges
WtEP	Waste-to-Energy Plant

# 1 Introduction

The Black Sea Trade and Development Bank (BSTDB), BNP Paribas, Societe Generale, and Swiss ECA, SERV (the Lenders/SERV) are considering providing finance to Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality (IMM) for the construction of a greenfield solid waste incinerator with energy generation capacity (the Project) in Kisirmandira, Eyupsultan District of the Istanbul Province.

The EPC contract for the Project was awarded to Hitachi Zosen İnova – Makyol İnşaat Sanayi Turizm ve Ticaret A.Ş. Joint Venture ("HZI-Makyol" or "the EPC Contractor"). The construction consultant of the project is Istanbul Environmental Management Industry and Trading Company (ISTAC, Operator) which will also operate the WtEP.

The Lenders/SERV has commissioned Arup Mühendislik ve Müşavirlik Ltd. Şti. ("Arup" or "the Consultant") to carry out Environmental and Social Due Diligence (the ESDD) for the Project. This Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) forms part of the package, along with the ESDD, an Environmental and Social Action Plan (ESAP) and a Non-Technical Summary (NTS). The task involves evaluation of the existing national Environmental Impact Assessment (2012) (EIA) against the International Finance Corporation's (IFC's) Environmental and Social Sustainability Policy (2012) and its Performance Standards (PSs), as well as applicable national and international requirements, and development of ESAP such that the project is aligned with these standards.

The SEP describes IMM and Operator's strategy for engaging with stakeholders, providing timely information on the Project and it describes the grievance mechanism(s) that will be used throughout the Project lifecycle. This SEP is a living document, which is revised and updated as necessary during Project implementation and operation.

# 2 General Description of Activity

Municipal solid waste generated at the district municipalities of the European side of Istanbul will be collected at Silivri, Halkali, Yenibosna, and Baruthane Waste Transfer Stations, and sent to the new Waste to Energy Plant (WtEP). The capacity of the WtEP will be 3,000 tonnes/day, which will produce up to 78 MWe of electrical energy. It is planned that the WtEP will work 24 hours daily and 8,000 hours annually. The remaining 760 hours in a year consists of the time required for maintenance and planned/unplanned shutdowns. As of September 2021, construction phase of the project is planned to be completed for all three phases.

Municipal solid waste delivered to the WtEP will be transported from the abovementioned transfer stations by semitrailers. On daily basis, approximately 150-170 vehicles are expected to be used in total. These vehicles will use D-010 state road. In addition, 46 trucks will be used for disposal of bottom ash, which will be produced as a result of the incineration process. Figure 1 shows the location of the Project along with nearby settlements and other notable infrastructure.

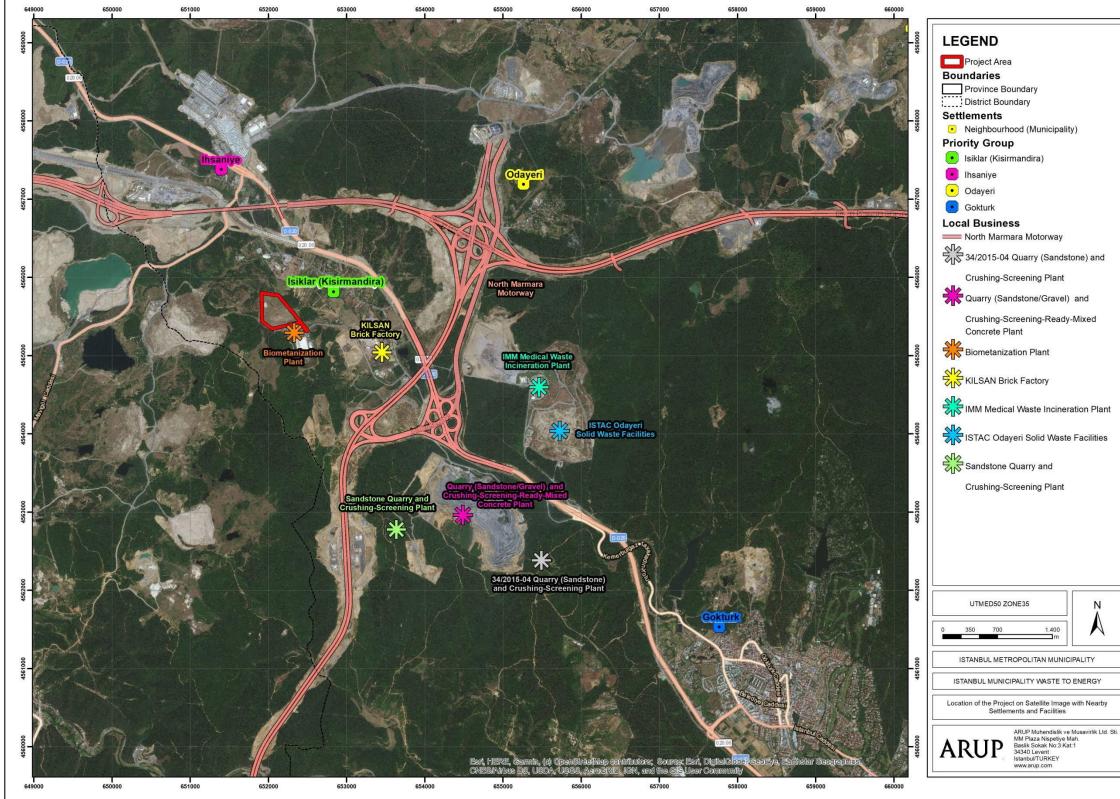


Figure 1. Location of the Project on satellite image with nearby settlements and other notable infrastructure

## **<u>3</u>** Purpose of this SEP

Stakeholders are persons or organisations who:

- are directly or indirectly affected by a project (or company's operations);
- have "interests" in a project or a company that determine them as stakeholders; and/or
- have the potential to influence project outcomes or company operations.

Stakeholder engagement is a mechanism that enables stakeholders to be involved in the Project development process from the planning stage of the Project through the whole life of the activity.

SEPs are established to make the process controlled, systematic and effective. SEPs make a significant contribution to the Project management strategies by ensuring stakeholders to get involved in the management system of the project in the early stages of the project and providing opportunity to get project related grievances. In this sense, this SEP, which is under the responsibility of IMM and Operator, is updated as the Project progresses. Therefore, this SEP is a living document.

The primary objectives of this SEP are to define the methods of sharing the right information with the stakeholders in the most appropriate and engaging manner. The SEP sets out the elements and methods that are needed to ensure that this information sharing is fair and clearly defined.

### 4 Scope

The scope of this SEP can be defined as follows:

- Description of past stakeholder engagement activities,
- Identification and analysis of project stakeholders,
- Identification of the methods in which stakeholders can participate in the Project,
- Identification of tasks/responsibilities for the implementation of the stakeholder engagement program,
- Establishing a grievance and suggestion mechanism,
- Reporting and monitoring.

This SEP is prepared on behalf of IMM and Operator in order to meet the requirements of the IFC PS1 - Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts, World Bank Group Policy and Standards OP/BP 4.01 Environmental Assessment, World Bank Group's 2010 Policy on Access to Information, and relevant Turkish legislation.

# 5 Legislation and Lenders' Requirements

### 5.1 National Requirements

The 1st Clause of the 9th Article of the Turkish Environmental Impact Assessment Regulation No: 29186 dated 25th November 2014, defines stakeholder participation process. In accordance with the related article, it is the legal responsibility of a project owner to organize a Stakeholder Participation Meeting. The date and place are determined in agreement with the Ministry of Environment and Urbanization (MoEU). The aim of the public participation meeting is to inform people who may be potentially affected about the project and to understand their concerns, opinions and suggestions about the project. This process is the only formal requirement for stakeholder participation according to Turkish legislation.

According to the 4th Clause of 9th Article of Turkish Environmental Impact Assessment Regulation, activities such as surveys and meetings may be carried out by the project owner before the Environmental Impact Assessment process. These activities are recommended in addition to the Public Participation Meeting in order to increase public participation.

The Project is on the list of projects defined in Annex-1 of the Regulation (List of Projects to be Applied Environmental Impact Assessment). The EIA report for the Project was finalized on 04.07.2012. The Project was granted with "EIA Positive" certificate of MoEU, No: 2610.

The evaluation of the public participation meeting for the Project is presented in Chapter 6 of this SEP.

### 5.2 International Standards

### 5.2.1 IFC Performance Standards

The Project aims to meet applicable international standards. This SEP has been prepared in accordance with the IFC Performance Standards. The following four IFC Performance Standards apply to the project:

- Performance Standard 1: Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts
- Performance Standard 2: Labour and Working Conditions Performance
- Performance Standard 3: Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention
- Performance Standard 4: Community Health, Safety, and Security

Since Performance Standards 5, 6,7and 8 were scoped out of the conducted ESDD of the Project, these standards are not listed above.

Performance Standard 1 establishes the importance of

- 1. integrated assessment to identify the environmental and social impacts, risks, and opportunities of projects;
- 2. effective community engagement through disclosure of project-related information and consultation with local communities on matters that directly affect them; and
- 3. the client's management of environmental and social performance throughout the life of the project. The objectives of this standard are as follows:
  - Identifying and assessing the social and environmental impacts of the Project Impact Area, whether negative or beneficial;
  - Prevention of adverse effects on workers, affected communities and the environment; or if prevention is not possible, minimize, reduce or compensate that effects
  - Ensuring that affected communities will participate with appropriate problems that are likely to affect them; and
  - Promoting improved environmental and social performance of the companies through effective use of management systems.

To meet these objectives, this SEP has been prepared to guide stakeholder engagement during the construction and operation phases of the project.

#### 5.2.2 Policy and Standards of World Bank Group

World Bank Group Policies and Standards must also be followed. The World Bank Environmental and Social Safeguard Policies include environmental assessments of projects and other policies regarding environmental and social adverse impacts, and mitigation and prevention. Specific policies relevant to the Project are listed below:

- Environmental and Social Policies
  - OP/BP 4.01 Environmental Assessment
- 2010 Policy on Access to Information

The main objectives and tasks of the World Bank Environmental and Social Safeguard Policies related to the project are as follows:

- OP/BP 4.01 Environmental Assessment:
  - Ensuring environmental and social sustainability of proposed projects
  - Informing decision-makers about environmental and social risks
  - To increase transparency through stakeholder participation in decisionmaking.

- 2010 Policy on Access to Information
  - The World Bank's 2010 Policy on Access to Information establishes that as a development institution, the Bank strives to be transparent about its projects and programs (particularly with groups affected by its operations), to share its global knowledge and lessons of experience with the widest possible audience, and to enhance the quality of its operations by engaging with a broad range of stakeholders.

# 6 Past Stakeholder Engagement Activities

As mentioned in Chapter 5.1 of this SEP, it is the legal responsibility of the project owner to organize a Stakeholder Participation Meeting if the project is in the list of projects defined in Annex-1 of the Regulation. The required meeting for the Project was held on 20.12.2011 at the meeting hall of IMM's Composting and Recycle Facility. The meeting was announced through local and national newspapers and through the local headmen of the villages nearby such as Ihsaniye, Isiklar and Odayeri. The meeting was held under the chairmanship of T.R. Istanbul Governorship Provincial Directorate of Environment and Urbanization.

A summary of the public participation meeting taken from the EIA report for the Project is given below:

"At the meeting; information about the project is given and examples of the same type of energy production facilities operating in different countries are presented. The reasons why wastes will be incinerated of by technology and the advantages of this system are mentioned. The local community attended to the meeting mentioned that whether odor problem in the existing facility will also be continued in the planned facility or not; whether there will be environmental pollution from wastewater or not; whether air pollution is experienced or not. In addition, the local community expressed their expectation from the IMM for the improvement of their poor roads."

Since the public participation meeting, within years, additional meetings were held with the local community (particularly dwellers of Ihsaniye and Isiklar) by IMM, though formal records of the meetings were not kept. According to IMM representatives, there were no major comments and concerns regarding the Project but job opportunities for youth in the villages.

Arup and IMM representatives participated in a field study on 29 May 2019. During this field study, a meeting was held with the headmen of Isiklar and Ihsaniye villages and representatives of the nearby Kilsan Brick Factory. Photographs of the meetings are presented in Figure 2 and Figure 3. During these meetings, information was given about the Project and comments were heard. The comments are summarised as follows:

- Concerns over traffic due to a number of infrastructure projects in the vicinity of the Project area,
- Concerns regarding dust due to quarries in operation in the vicinity of the Project area,
- Odour complaints from the existing composting plant adjacent to the Project site,
- Employment expectations of the local community.



Figure 2. Interview with the headmen of Ihsaniye and Isiklar neighbourhoods



Figure 3. Interview with the representative of Kilsan Brick Factory

# 7 Stakeholder Identification

One of the main objectives of this SEP is to identify the groups or institutions/ organizations that may be affected by the Project. The priorities or sensitivity of the people or groups that may be affected have been ranked. The aim of this is to eliminate impacts according to the degree of exposure of the people or groups that may be affected by the Project, thus leading towards a fair outcome.

As already mentioned this SEP is a living document and is updated and revised as necessary, including the list of project stakeholders. Organizations or groups that are not on the list but who wish to have information about the Project will be able to contact IMM or Operator and have their contact information added to the list. Table 1 shows the stakeholder engagement list currently defined for the Project.

Level	Category	Organization/Enterprise	Main Goals and Interests	
	The EPC Contractor	HZI-Makyol and its employees	Financial, technical, and compliance	
	Subcontractors	Direct and indirect subcontractors and their employees	considerations of the Project; Sustainable growth of the companies; Safe and healthy working conditions for workers; Environmental, health and safety considerations.	
Project Area	WtEP	All employees of WtEP		
		Black Sea Trade and Development Bank	Financial, technical, and compliance	
		BNP Paribas	considerations; Environmental, health,	
		Societe Generale	and safety conditions of	
International	Lenders/SERV	Swiss Export Risk Insurance	workers and impacts during construction and operation; Working conditions; Public health; Information disclosure.	
		T.R. Ministry of Environment and Urbanization	Financial, regulatory and compliance considerations.	
		T.R. Ministry of Forestry and Water Affairs		
		T.R. Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources		
	National Government Organizations <sup>1</sup>	T.R. Ministry of Labor and Social Security		
National		General Directorate of Environmental Management		
		Energy Market Regulatory Authority		
		Istanbul Regional Directorate of Forestry		
	Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)	Turkey Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges (TOBB)	Improved public health, environmental and social considerations	
		UCTEA Chamber of Electrical Engineers	(including livelihood impacts).	
		UCTEA Chamber of Environmental Engineers		
		Environment Foundation of Turkey		

#### Table 1. Stakeholder list for the Project

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Stakeholder engagement activities are conducted during legal permitting process of the project. | Final | January 2021 Page 12

Level	Category	Organization/Enterprise	Main Goals and Interests	
		Environment Protection Foundation of Turkey		
		WWF Turkey		
		Nature Association		
		Environmental Protection and Packaging Waste Recovery and Recycling Foundation		
		Electricity Producers Association		
		Turkish Energy Foundation		
		Turkish Association for Energy Economics		
		Governorship of Istanbul	Financial, regulatory	
		District Governorship of Eyupsultan	and compliance considerations.	
	Governmental Office	T. R. Istanbul Governorship Provincial Directorate of Environment and Urbanization		
		T.R. Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality	Improved waste management system;	
	Local Authorities	T.R. Eyupsultan Municipality	Financial, regulatory and compliance considerations.	
		Isıklar Neighborhood	Access during	
Local		Ihsaniye Neighborhood	construction of WtEP; Environmental, health	
		Odayeri Neighborhood	and safety impacts during the construction and operation of the plant (e.g. noise and vibration, pollution); Safe operation of the new WtEP.	
	Residents (Priority Group)	Gokturk Neighborhood		
	NGOs	All Waste and Environmental Management Association (Tüm Atık ve Çevre Yönetim Derneği)	Improved public health, environmental and social considerations (including livelihood impacts).	
		Istanbul Province Environmental Protection Foundation		
		Marmara Environment Platform		
		Istanbul Environmental Volunteers Platform(SOS)		
		Istanbul Environment Council Federation		
		North Marmara Motorway	Maintenance of business	

Level	Category	Organization/Enterprise	Main Goals and Interests
		AK Madencilik Atalay Kum Ocağı Öztaş Maden Ocağı	and income at the current level; Potential suppliers and contractors for the new landfill construction;
		İSTAÇ Biomethanization, Recycling and Compost Plant	Environmental, health and safety impacts. Operation of the WtEP.
	Local Businesses	KİLSAN Brick Factory	operation of the will .
		İSTAÇ Medical Waste Incineration Plant	
		İSTAÇ Medical Waste Sterilization Plant	
		ISTAC Odayeri Solid Waste Facilities	

People living in residents near the Project area are defined as a "priority group" in this SEP. There are four settlements near the Project area that are in this group. Persons with disabilities, women, children and persons/families whose income level is at or below the hunger threshold are specifically identified as a sensitive group. Therefore, the participation, information and, if appropriate, compensation of these people is among the objectives of the SEP.

# 8 Stakeholder Engagement Plan

IMM and Operator will develop various communication methods in order to receive feedback regarding the Project. One task of this SEP is to define these means of communication. The first of these steps will be the sharing of soft and hard copies of the SEP with the public via the IMM project website, headman offices, and local teahouses. The SEP will be disclosed in both Turkish and English. The desktop, field studies and interviews made with the local headmen showed that there are no large ethnic communities in the vicinity of the Project Area, such as Kurdish, Syrian, etc. Where large ethnic communities will be present in the future, the SEP will be provided in alternative languages. In addition, headmen will be informed about the SEP, engagement activities/methods and grievance mechanism developed as a scope of this SEP. Changes to the Stakeholder Engagement Plan will be shared with the public via IMM project website and the document will be periodically updated (or at least once prior to operation).

Typical methods for stakeholder engagement are as follows:

- Correspondence with Legal Authorities
- IMM project website (<u>https://atikyonetimi.ibb.istanbul/atik-yakma-ve-enerji-uretim-tesisi/</u>) (in Turkish)
- Ordinary and emergency meetings
- Grievance and suggestion mechanism
- Phone calls
- Announcements with visual, auditory and printed media
- Project brochures

Table 2 shows the type of information to be shared with each stakeholder group and specific communication methods to be used for stakeholder engagement.

Implementation of the SEP by IMM and Operator will be the responsibility of a person from the IMM Public Relations Unit and a specifically appointed person with the qualifications to perform the task from the Operator. IMM has the ultimate responsibility for delivering this SEP. During construction phase and first year of the operation, the EPC Contractor, will support IMM in implementation of this SEP by informing IMM and Operator about the Project development and implementation and maintaining up-to- date and accessible information about:

- Key Project stages and programmes (e.g. issuance of permits, commencement of construction or operation, construction programme, etc.);
- Any Project-related disruptions (e.g. road closures, access or infrastructure disruptions);
- Key consultations/meetings resulting in project changes of affecting public and local community; and

• Environmental, health, and safety performance (e.g. information about incidents, monitoring results)

Thereafter, IMM and Operator will assume EPC Contractor's responsibilities in implementing the SEP.

Activity	Responsibility	Outcome/Communication tool	Timing
Appoint a Community Liaison Officer (CLO) to be responsible for the stakeholder engagement for the project, implementation of this SEP and grievance management.	IMM & Operator and the EPC Contractor	CLO job description is prepared and available CLO details are widely available at project location and IMM project websites.	2019 Q4
Notify stakeholders and disclose full Project information package (2012 EIA, ESDD, NTS, SEP, ESAP).	IMM & Operator	IMM project website, Information boards at local headmen offices and WtEP site Project information will be disclosed in English and Turkish.	2019 Q4
<ul> <li>Keep stakeholders informed about Project development and implementation. Maintain up-to-date and accessible information about:</li> <li>1. Key Project stages and programmes (e.g. issuance of permits, commencement of construction or operation, construction programme, etc.);</li> <li>2. Any Project-related disruptions (e.g. road closures, access or infrastructure disruptions);</li> <li>3. Key consultations/meetings resulting in project changes or affecting public and local community;</li> <li>4. Environmental, health and safety performance (e.g. information about incidents).</li> </ul>	CLO/IMM, CLO/the EPC Contractor, CLO/Operator	IMM project website, Press releases, radio or TV announcements, Local notices, Minutes of key meetings. Information board at local headmen offices and WtEP site.	On-going IMM project website should function throughout the Project lifetime.
Regularly review and update SEP/ Stakeholder engagement activities. Maintain and review the project grievance mechanism. Assess (i) whether the type of consultation and disclosure activities are appropriate for the different stakeholder groups; (ii) the frequency of consultation activities is	CLO/IMM, CLO/the EPC Contractor, CLO/Operator	Project / City Administration IMM project website, Physical locations to be confirmed.	Review/update at least bi- annually during construction. Review/update annually during operation.

Activity	Responsibility	Outcome/Communication tool	Timing
sufficient; (iii) grievances have been adequately dealt with;			
(iv) the stakeholder list remains appropriate; and (v)			
whether engagement should cease or be extended to any			
stakeholders.			

# 9 Grievance Mechanism

### 9.1 **Purpose of Grievance Mechanism**

Grievance/suggestions mechanisms developed by IMM, the Operator, and the EPC Contractor can record the wishes and complaints of the Project stakeholders (especially residents of the region or NGOs). Recording grievances is important in terms of checking whether a problem has been resolved or whether it cannot be resolved. If it cannot be resolved, it is important to identify the reasons for this. In this sense, the mechanism can be regarded as fair and transparent communication. It is the responsibility of IMM and Operator to ensure that the grievance mechanism is not used against a complaining person/group.

The recording of opinions, suggestions or grievances as written documents is also important to define the limits of the grievance issue for both IMM and Operator and stakeholders. Thus, the scope of the mechanism is defined.

The biggest benefit of the grievance or suggestion mechanism for IMM and Operator, which is the project owner, is that solutions can be developed without the intensification of problems. At the same time, keeping records of grievances or problems provides quick response to grievances and ensures making predictions for how much time is needed to respond related grievances. Another important contribution of the mechanism is that it allows the recording of the grievances being resolved in a fair, understandable and reliable manner.

### 9.2 Grievance Procedure and Responsibilities

The grievance/suggestion mechanism will apply during the construction and operation phases of the Project. An appropriately qualified person will be responsible for implementing the mechanism.

Information about the grievance procedure will be provided on notice boards, in local headmen offices given in stakeholder list for the Project and on the IMM project website.

Grievances/suggestions may be received via the following:

- Notification of grievances by telephone, whatsapp, verbal etc.,
- The IMM receives grievances via the "Beyaz Masa" website (<u>https://beyazmasa.ibb.istanbul/application/beyazmasa</u>) or "Alo 153" and informs the Operator,
- Receipt of a completed Grievance/Request/Suggestion Form (see Annex-2) by mail, hand delivery or Grievance/Request/Suggestion collection boxes provided at the project site and Isiklar Village Headman's office which are checked periodically by EPC Contractor,
- Receipt of grievances at meetings.

Grievance/Request/Suggestion Registration Form is provided in Annex-1. Measures taken to resolve the grievance can be recorded. Finally, it is recorded whether the complaint is closed along with the date.

All grievances shall be accepted and acknowledged. After a grievance is received, all reasonable efforts will be shown to investigate and handle the grievance. Each grievance will be identified with a new tracking number. The deadline for resolving

the grievance is fifteen days. After this period, IMM, Operator and/or EPC Contractor will contact the complainant within 2 days to discuss solutions. If the complainant is not satisfied with the proposed solution, new solutions will be proposed until both IMM, Operator and/or EPC Contractor and the complainant are satisfied. In cases where agreement is not possible, the complainant can seek recourse through legal avenues. At that point, the grievance can be recorded as closed on the form.

If problems cannot be dealt with immediate corrective action, appropriate, long- term action(s) will be identified.

If complainants request that their names are not included on the registration form, this request will be fulfilled. However, if a complainant does not share contact information, follow up cannot take place.

All grievances related to Project activities will be recorded throughout the Project cycle and grievances will be monitored by the Project-specific monitoring program.

### 9.3 SEP Events, Monitoring and Reporting

The outcomes of stakeholder engagement conducted as part of the information disclosure and consultation will be documented and disclosed by the EPC Contractor, IMM and the Operator.

The EPC Contractor, IMM and the Operator will further monitor the engagement with stakeholders by developing a set of Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) which will cover the following:

- SEP is up to date and Project information is available for the public to comment;
- All planned actions listed in the Stakeholder Engagement and Information Disclosure Programme of the SEP are implemented as scheduled;
- The minutes of consultation meetings are recorded and meetings logged in a register;
- Grievances are logged and tracked through to resolution within a timeframe of 15 days from receipt (evidenced by an up-to-date grievance register);
- Contractors' and subcontractors' contracts include clauses obliging them to adopt SEP requirements, as appropriate;
- Annual reports on the implementation of the SEP and grievance process are made available as part of annual external reporting on the E&S performance of the Project which shall be made publicly available.

Through these KPIs, the EPC Contractor, IMM and the Operator will be able to monitor the engagement of stakeholders and update the SEP if necessary.

Public documents will be distributed widely to stakeholders including local communities.

CLOs will be responsible for the implementation and monitoring of this SEP and will perform the following functions:

- Information disclosure and obtaining feedback;
- Processing, managing and tracking grievances, including ensuring timely responses to and closure of grievances;
- Control over the implementation of the corrective actions to remedy grievances;
- Regular review and if necessary, update of the SEP and stakeholder engagement mechanism to ensure it is effective and reflects Project circumstances;
- Participation in discussion on responses and the resolution of disputes;
- Assistance in the preparation of the Annual Environmental and Social Performance Report.

Depending on the complexity of issues, senior project management may also be involved.

Annual reports will be prepared within one week of the review taking place and will be published on the IMM project website.

### 10 Covid-10 Measures in the Stakeholder Engagement Process

This section has been developed taking into account the document "Interim Advice for IFC Clients On Safe Stakeholder Engagement in The Context of Covid-19"<sup>2</sup> published by the International Finance Corporation (IFC) on May 15, 2020. Stakeholder engagement activities will be carried out through safe and effective channels, taking into account the relevant national and local regulations as well as the health-related recommendations and guidelines of national and international health authorities due to the Covid-19 outbreak.

### **10.1** Safe Communication Channels

The preferred communication methods for safe stakeholder engagement and information disclosure within the scope of the project are given in the table below:

Online Communication Channels – Information Dissemintation	Online Communication Channels – Stakeholder Engagement	Non-electronic Communication Channels	
<ul> <li>The following information is shared on the project website<sup>3</sup> and updated when necessary:         <ul> <li>Project details, information and physical realization percentage</li> <li>Visuals of the project</li> <li>Project location</li> <li>Project related documents: Project EIA Report, ESDD, NTS and SEP.</li> <li>Social network link addresses that allow information sharing regarding the project - facebook, twitter, linkedin, etc.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ordinary / extraordinary meetings planned to be held within the scope of the project will be conducted via online meeting applications (zoom meeting etc.).</li> <li>Meeting access link and other information will be sent to the relevant persons and institutions in the stakeholder list via e- mail and telephone.</li> <li>Stakeholders can communicate their grievances / requests / suggestions regarding the project to the CLO's of IMM, Operator and EPC Contractor through the phone and e-mail addresses given in the Section 11 of this document.</li> <li>Relevant grievances / requests / suggestions can also be submitted via IMM's online "Beyaz Masa" application<sup>4</sup> as stated under the title 9.2 of this document.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>All kinds of announcements regarding the Stakeholder Engagement Process can be posted on the notice board in Işıklar Village Headquarters.</li> <li>Stakeholders residing in Işıklar Village can also submit their complaints / requests / suggestions regarding the project by filling the grievance form (Annex-2) and throwing it in the grievance / request / suggestion box provided in the Headquarters.</li> </ul>	

 Table 3. Safe Communication Channels in Terms of Covid-19 Outbreak

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.ifc.org/wps/wcm/connect/30258731-0e7d-4cb2-863c-

a6fb4c6d0d95/Tip+Sheet Interim+Advice StakeholderEngagement COVID19 May2020.pdf?MOD=AJ PERES&CVID=n9s.b9a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <u>https://atikyonetimi.ibb.istanbul/atik-yakma-ve-enerji-uretim-tesisi/</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> https://beyazmasa.ibb.istanbul/application/beyazmasa

### **10.2 Covid-19 Spesific Communication to Stakeholders**

Some changes that can be made in the project operations in connection with the Covid-19 pandemic which are not limited to the following, will be shared with the relevant stakeholders by using the appropriate communication methods given in the Table 3, if there is a potential to affect local people:

- Changes in construction / operation processes,
- Changes in social responsibility projects planned to be realized within the scope of the project,
- Changes in recruitment processes in terms of local employment,
- Changes in security procedures,
- Changes regarding the grievances / requests and suggestions expected to be resolved,
- Changes in stakeholder engagement processes within the framework of healthrelated recommendations and guidelines of national and international health authorities.

# 11 Contact Information

The contact information of the CLOs of the IMM, Operator and EPC Contractor are given below:

	IMM (Project Owner)				
CLO	:Eray TAŞ				
Address	:Hacıahmet Mh. Muhsin Yazıcıoğlu Cd. No:1 Beyoğlu / İSTANBUL				
Phone Number	:0533 634 42 33				
Fax Number	:-				
E-mail	:etas@ibb.gov.tr				
Website	:https://beyazmasa.ibb.istanbul/application/beyazmasa				
	İSTAÇ (Operator)				
CLO	:Fatih ARSLAN				
Address	:Paşa Mahallesi Piyalepaşa Bulvarı No:74 Şişli / İSTANBUL				
Phone Number	:0505 371 9687				
Fax Number	:-				
E-mail	:farslan@istac.istanbul				
Website	: <u>-</u>				
HZI-Makyol (EPC Contractor)					
CLO	:Yasin KAÇAR				
Address	:Işıklar Mah. Ege Sok. No:5/2 EYUPSULTAN/ISTANBUL				
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Website	÷				

## ANNEXES

# A1 GRIEVANCE/REQUEST/SUGGESTION REGISTRATION FORM

### **GRIEVANCE/REQUEST/SUGGESTION REGISTRATION FORM**

Tracking Number	Applicant Establishment Name	Applicant Name/Surname	Communication Method	Subject of Grievance	Subject of Request	Subject of Suggestion	Assessment of The Adequacy of Measures	Closing Statement	Closure Date

# A2 GRIEVANCE/SUGGESTION/REQUEST FORM

### **GRIEVANCE/SUGGESTION AND REQUEST FORM**

ISTANBUL MTROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY WASTE-TO-ENERGY PLANT PROJECT					
GRIEVANCE/SUGGESTION AND REQUEST FORM					
Application subject:	Grievance	Suggestion	Request		
Definition of grievance, suggestion or request:					
<b>APPLI</b> (Filling in this section is optional, unless it regarding the resolution of the complaint /		will not be provided to	o the applicant		
Name-Surname:					
Telephone:					
e-mail:					
The section below will be filled in by th suggestion and /or request is received. The person whom receiving complaint / suggestion and request: Evaluation of Complaint / Suggestion an		on Officer to whom	your complaint /		

Outcome:

### Feedback

| Final | January 2021

Any feedback	made to	applicant?
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Yes				

No