

Decision Matrix

Remote Management, Monitoring, & Verification
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Cooperation



2.5 The RMMV Decision Matrix for Selecting the Appropriate Mix of RMMV Institutional Approaches, Tool Types, and Data Sources

Because of the multitude of different institutional approaches, tool types and data sources, a *Decision Matrix* has been developed to help KfW as well as PEA and consultant staff to jointly determine which mix of institutional RMMV approaches, technical tool types and data sources is particularly useful for the specific project. The *Decision Matrix* indicates which institutional approach, tool type and data source is suitable for which type of information that needs to be gathered and if there are potentially limiting human rights or legal conditions to be considered.










It is important to note that this matrix does not only facilitate the decision of KfW on the suitable mix of institutional approaches, tools, and data sources to select for the *Remote Verification* of the respective project, but also facilitates the joint decision of the PEA, different consultants, and other project stakeholders on the corresponding suitable mix of institutional approaches, tools and data sources for the (*Remote*) *Monitoring* of the respective project by the PEA and /or consultant.

To provide orientation on the usefulness of different institutional approaches, technical tool types, and data sources, information needs have been clustered into five general types that occur throughout the project cycle. These are information on:

- 1) Infrastructure quality and project progress including the use of funds
- 2) Target area(s)/target groups' identification
- 3) Target groups' needs and feedback
- 4) Project outcomes and impact (including usage)
- 5) Environmentally and socially adverse impacts and risks

They relate as following to the project cycle:

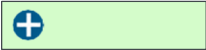



Table 2.3: Clustering of Information Needs within the Project Cycle

									
Type of Information Need	Government Negotiations	Project Preparation & Feasibility Study	Project Appraisal	Grant or Loan Agreement	Tender of Consulting Services	Project Implementation	Start of Operation	Final Review	Ex-Post Evaluation
Infrastructure quality & project progress incl. use of funds						✓	✓	✓	✓
Target area(s)/target group(s) identification	✓	✓	✓						
Target groups' needs & feedback		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Project outcomes & impact (incl. usage)						✓	✓	✓	✓
Environmentally and socially adverse impacts & risks		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓

Applicability of certain institutional approaches or technical tool types and data sources per information need category

The matrix below shows how each institutional approach and tool type (incl. data source) supports information gathering for a respective information need category. If the approach or tool type is particularly useful for the respective information need, the box is marked green. If the approach or tool type is potentially useful, but there are limitations or risks (including potential violation of do-no-harm) regarding the ability of the approach or tool type to respond to the specific information need, the box is marked beige. In these cases, mitigation strategies are required.

If the institutional approach or tool type is considered potentially harmful in environments with human rights issues, particularly regarding freedom of expression, the box is marked red. If the approach or tool type is not relevant to the respective information need, the box remains white.

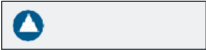


	The approach/tool type is particularly useful
	The approach/tool type may be applied, but risks need to be taken into consideration
	The approach/tool type is potentially harmful (human rights risks) if risks cannot be mitigated
	The approach/tool type is not relevant or useful

Context conditions that might limit the use of an approach or tool type (incl. data source):

In addition, the *Decision Matrix* specifies in its last two columns on the right-hand side, the conditions that may render using a specific approach or tool type difficult or impossible. For each approach or tool type, the two columns on the right show the two most important factors regarding context conditions that may limit or exclude the use of a specific institutional approach, tool type, or data source:

- 1) A fragile or conflict context implying a low level of governance, represented by “a low level of freedom of expression in a target country” is proposed as the most useful proxy indicator for a country or area, since there is an independent source in the international “Freedom House Index” > <https://freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world>). Such a context may result in human rights risks that need to be considered when selecting the respective RMMV approaches, tool types, and data sources (e.g., the risk of crowdsourcing citizen feedback in an authoritarian environment); and
- 2) legal and/or regulatory restrictions on the respective RMMV approach or tool type within a given country or area (e.g., the use of drones is restricted in most countries).

If this means that caution (including mitigation measures) is required for a particular institutional approach, tool type, or data source, the box is marked beige. If the context condition is potentially harmful, the box is marked red. This means that the respective institutional approach or tool type is rarely recommendable with a low level of freedom of expression or if legal and/or regulatory restrictions exist.

	Limitations, but mitigation measures may be applied
	Severe limitations
	Not applicable/no obvious limitations

Information in the cells of the *Decision Matrix* includes i) the type of information that can be gathered ii) constraints that might be faced and iii) specific examples.

The information drawn from the *Decision Matrix* is by no means complete and has been shortened/summarized to not jeopardize the readability of the matrix. Conclusions drawn from it need to be checked for plausibility and reflected within the specific design of the RMMV institutional approach, tool, or data source, and its respective project context KfW can therefore not be held liable for any use or any conclusions drawn from this *Decision Matrix*, and specific advice should always be sought.

More information on the respective institutional approaches, technical tool types, and data sources can be found in > [Sections 2.1](#) and > [2.2](#) as well as in the respective > [Technical Tool Type and Data Sources Fact Sheets](#). Additional information on legal and human rights aspects can be found in > [Section 2.3](#).

We also recommend you, the PEA and/or consultants to conduct the > [KfW Digital Rights Check](#) during the RMMV component design, implementation, progress and final review as well as ex-post evaluation to check for human rights risks related to the use of digital technologies.

Table 2.4: RMMV Decision Matrix
Selection of suitable institutional RMMV Approaches for your Project

Type of Institutional RMMV Approach	Type of information need		
	Infrastructure quality & project progress incl. use of funds	Target area(s)/target group(s) identification	Target groups' needs & feedback
A1 Increased Responsibility for National KfW Experts <i>(FC default Remote Verification approach)</i>	Always useful; Requires training +	Always useful; Requires training +	Always useful; Requires training +
A2 PEA-led Monitoring: PEA Staff, in most cases supported by an Implementation Consultant <i>(FC default institutional monitoring setup)</i>	In the absence of international consultant staff, simple milestone-based monitoring by local PEA staff with little qualification +	PEA can conduct ad-hoc surveys but may lack incentive to report. Teams need to be diverse, speaking local languages and require training to collect feedback inclusively + -	PEA can conduct ad-hoc surveys and collect local data regularly but may lack incentive to report. Teams need to be diverse, speaking local languages and require training to collect feedback inclusively + -
A3 Consultant-led Monitoring: Consultant with Increased Local Capacities <i>(Alternative institutional monitoring setup to A2)</i>	In the absence of international consultant staff e.g., site supervision by regional/local engineer (risk of inadequate technical capacity) +	Assign local consultant for e.g., context and needs analysis in project region/risk of inadequate assessment capacities/risk of bias. Teams need to be diverse, speaking local languages and require training to collect feedback inclusively +	Assign local consultant for e.g., context and needs analysis in project region/risk of inadequate assessment capacities/risk of bias. Teams need to be diverse, speaking local languages and require training to collect feedback inclusively +

		Context conditions making use of approach difficult or impossible	
Project outcomes & impact(s) (incl. usage)	Environmentally & socially adverse impacts & risks	Low-level freedom of expression (e.g., according to Freedom House Index)	Challenging legal or regulatory conditions
Always useful; Requires training +	Always useful; Requires training, tools/checklists and briefing upfront site visit; for all projects backstopping needed from KfW E&S experts +		
PEA can conduct ad-hoc surveys and collect local data regularly but may lack incentive to report. Teams need to be diverse, speaking local languages and require training to collect feedback inclusively + -	Good for capacity development: PEA can collect data for internal monitoring but might need training and tools. Not applicable for external verification purposes (e.g., on resettlement implementation), but data provision and progress data from PEA possible). PEA staff may lack incentive to report + -	PEA may have conflict of interest in publishing monitoring data ▲	
Assign local consultant e.g., to collect additional data (EPE)/risk of risk of inadequate assessment capacities/risk of bias. Teams need to be diverse, speaking local languages and require training to collect feedback inclusively +	Useful and often applied approach. Arrangements for solid backstopping services incl. Quality Assurance/Quality Control, capacity development, adapted reporting/monitoring with consultant team needed. PEA mgt. may have conflict of interest collaborating with local consultant staff + -	PEA mgt. may have conflict of interest collaborating with local consultant staff ▲	

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A4 Third-Party Monitoring or Verification <i>(in addition to other institutional approaches)</i>	Main types: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Third-Party Monitoring visits project sites.Technical audit as part of financial audit <div>+</div>	Third-Party Monitoring visits project sites. TPM team needs to be diverse and speaking local languages to collect feedback inclusively <div>+</div>	Third-Party Monitoring collects data locally. TPM team needs to be diverse and speaking local languages to collect feedback inclusively <div>+</div>
A5 Involving Target Groups and PAP <i>(in addition to other institutional approaches)</i>	Main types: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Virtual Focus Group DiscussionsPRA / CBPR / PARTraditional local decision-making and conflict solution bodies Citizen monitors (different ages and genders)Community based monitoring (context dependent) <div>+</div>	Main types: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Participatory community mappingParticipatory rural appraisal (PRA) / CBPR, PARfuzzy cognitive maps, social network analysis, topic modelingTraditional local decision-making and conflict solution bodiesaddress disadvantaged groups separatelyaddress disadvantaged groups separately <div>+</div>	Main types: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Virtual Focus Group DiscussionsParticipatory community mappingPRA /CBPR, PARfuzzy cognitive maps, social network analysis, topic modelingTraditional local decision-making and conflict solution bodiesaddress disadvantaged groups separatelyCitizen monitors (different ages and genders)interactive radio shows <div>+</div>
A6 Engaging Other Partners: other government agencies, other donors, research institutes, civil society, media, private sector <i>(In addition to other institutional approaches)</i>	Main types: <ul style="list-style-type: none">peer monitoring, if not too complicated to organizemonitoring by reliable local government institutions, if they exist <div>+ -</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Peer monitoring/planning <div>+</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Peer monitoringmonitoring by reliable local government institutions, if no risk of bias/ distortion/ lack of capacities <div>+</div>

		Context conditions making use of approach difficult or impossible	
Project outcomes & impact(s) (incl. usage)	Environmentally & socially adverse impacts & risks	Low-level freedom of expression (e.g., according to Freedom House Index)	Challenging legal or regulatory conditions
PEA may have conflict of interest collaborating with TPM. TPM team needs to be diverse and speaking local languages to collect feedback inclusively <div>+ -</div>	PEA may have conflict of interest collaborating with TPM. TPM team needs to be diverse and speaking local languages to collect feedback inclusively <div>+ -</div>	PEA may have conflict of interest collaborating with TPM <div>▲</div>	
Main types: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Virtual Focus Group DiscussionsParticipatory community mappingPRA/CBPR, PARTraditional local decision-making and conflict solution bodiesaddress disadvantaged groups separatelyuse participatory statisticsuse micro narrativesCitizen monitors (diff. ages and genders)Community based monitoring (context dependent) <div>+</div>	Main types: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Virtual Focus Group DiscussionsParticipatory community mappingPRA/CBPR, PARaddress disadvantaged groups separatelyCitizen monitors (different ages and genders)Community based monitoring (context dependent)Risk of non-inclusion of vulnerable groups, esp. women and girlsCommunication strategy needed for each group <div>+</div>	Human rights risks Traditional local decision-making and conflict solution bodies: Risk that only the most powerful get heard Human rights risks for the citizen monitors <div>▲</div>	Traditional local decision-making and conflict solution bodies: Potential conflict trad. and formal law, exclusion of groups disadvantaged by trad. law (e.g., women and girls) <div>▲</div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Peer monitoringmonitoring by reliable local government institutions, if no risk of bias/distortion/ lack of capacities <div>+</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Peer monitoring if not too complicated to organizemonitoring by reliable local government institutions if no risk of bias/distortion/lack of capacitiesIn case of potential conflicts of interests: NGOs and CBOs to be included in monitoringAnalysis of incentives and agendas needed <div>+</div>		

Selection of suitable Technical Tool Types and Data Sources for your project

Note: All Tool Types can be used for Remote Monitoring and Remote Verification, some Tool Types can also be used for Remote Management

Technical Tool Type/ Data Source	Type of information need		
	Infrastructure quality & project progress incl. use of funds	Target area(s)/ target groups identification	Target group needs and feedback
(Remote) Management Information Systems (R/MIS)	Useful for complex projects and many sites +	Usually target areas and group types are already defined before tool is set up + -	Risk of biased data collection: monitoring agents require training to collect feedback inclusively + -
Maintenance Management Systems (MMS)	Useful, if already installed before the end of construction/ implementation. +	Not useful	Useful, if it includes a user-feedback application (e.g., to report broken installation) + -
Mobile Data Collection (MDC) Tools (often part of R/ MIS and MMS)	Especially useful for many sites +	Risk of biased data collection: monitoring agents need to be diverse, speaking local languages and require training to collect feedback inclusively + -	Useful, but risk of biased data collection: monitoring agents need to be diverse, speaking local languages and require training to collect feedback inclusively + -
Crowdsourcing Tools (e.g., citizen feedback, complaints mechanisms)	Useful, if many project implementing partners/staff or if target groups/users can provide useful feedback/ideas. +	Potentially useful for brainstorming, but high risk of bias towards tool users (digital divide) + -	Potentially useful for expression of needs/feedback, but risk of bias towards tool users (language, (digital) literacy, access) + -

		Context conditions making use of tool type difficult or impossible	
Project outcomes and impact (incl. usage)	Environmental and social adverse impacts and risks	Low-level freedom of expression (e.g., according to Freedom House Index)	Challenging legal or regulatory conditions
Ideally, the R/MIS workflow connects project activity data to outcome/impact data +	Ideally, the R/MIS workflow connects project activity data to E&S risks & impact data +	Check for human rights risks Data protection: Wherever possible, the collection of personal data should be avoided. Data security must be warranted > Digital Rights Check ▲	Data security and privacy laws: – Data protection: Wherever possible, the collection of personal data should be avoided. – Data security must be warranted ▲
Ideally, the MMS workflow aggregates maintenance data to related outcome/impact data +	Not useful	Data protection: Wherever possible, the collection of personal data should be avoided. Data security must be warranted > Digital Rights Check ▲	Data security and privacy laws: – Data protection: Wherever possible, the collection of personal data should be avoided. – Data security must be warranted ▲
Often during final inspection/ex-post evaluation, but risk of biased data collection: monitoring agents need to be diverse, speaking local languages and require training to collect feedback inclusively + -	GSM-based surveys of certain stakeholder groups are a very useful tool and widely used in the private sector (e.g., worker surveys on working conditions etc.) Risk of biased data collection: monitoring agents need to be diverse, speaking local languages and require training to collect feedback inclusively. Data protection may be an issue + -	Check for human rights risks Data protection: Wherever possible, the collection of personal data should be avoided Security of the collected data must be warranted > Digital Rights Check ▲	Local legal requirements can restrict collecting project-related data with mobile data collection tools, e.g., photographing certain types of infrastructure Data security and privacy laws: – Data protection: Wherever possible, the collection of personal data should be avoided. – Security of the collected data must be warranted ▲
Potentially useful for expression of level of satisfaction, but risk of bias towards tool users (language, (digital) literacy, access) + -	Potentially useful for complaints mechanism, but risk of bias towards tool users (language, (digital) literacy, access) + -	Human rights risks: – Local requirements can restrict collecting project-data with crowdsourcing tool – Data protection: Wherever possible, the collection of personal data should be avoided (e.g., through anonymization) – Security of the collected data must be warranted > Digital Rights Check ⚡	Data security and privacy laws: – Data protection: Wherever possible, the collection of personal data should be avoided. – Security of the collected data must be warranted. – In case social media are being used, the future deletion of the content incl. any personal data, must be ensured > Digital Rights Check ▲

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	Infrastructure quality & project progress incl. use of funds	Target area(s)/ target groups identification	Target group needs and feedback
Cameras	<p>For in-door work, on-site inspections with very high detail information.</p> <p>Monitoring agents require training to take useful photos</p> <div>+</div>	Not useful	Not useful
Drones/UAV (Airborne Observation)	<p>Possible, but usually not cost-effective</p> <p>(Exception: very high detail resolution 10-30 cm required)</p>	<p>Comparing planned sites with drone data for extended areas/ low population density, if satellite data is not sufficient airborne photography for areas > 100 sqm, but few providers; rel. expensive</p> <div>+</div>	Not useful
Earth Observation via Satellites	<p>Possible, but usually not cost-effective, because mostly, commercial data is required (recent data, very high resolution (30cm–1m), etc.)</p>	<p>Comparing planned sites with satellite and Geographic Information System (GIS) data</p> <div>+</div>	Not useful

		Context conditions making use of tool type difficult or impossible	
Project outcomes and impact (incl. usage)	Environmental and social adverse impacts and risks	Low-level freedom of expression (e.g., according to Freedom House Index)	Challenging legal or regulatory conditions
<p>Comparison ex ante and ex post situation, pure retrospective analyses difficult.</p> <p>Monitoring agents require training to take useful photos</p> <div>+ -</div>	<p>Useful for site visits; interviews with project-affected persons (PAP) (e.g., cell phone livestream)</p> <p>For details, better than UAV/ drones and useful for ground truthing. Difference btw livestream or camera surveillance (e.g., on construction areas) needed. Potential security risks for camera operators in volatile settings; privacy and prevalent cultural norms in project setting may inhibit use of cameras for certain monitoring aspects (e. g. in a community setting)</p> <p>Only small area covered, risk of biased data collection: monitoring agents require training to take useful photos</p> <div>+</div>	<p>Camera surveillance can be an invasion of personal privacy (as for UAV/drones/ airborne.</p> <p>Avoid taking photos or videos depicting individuals also if captured automatically.</p> <p>Images/videos could be used against individuals or group(s) of people who are especially vulnerable to human rights abuse (e.g., ethnic minorities)</p> <p>> Digital Rights Check</p> <div>⬆</div>	<p>Camera surveillance (by PEA) might be restricted.</p> <p>Potential access constraints to sites (such as critical infrastructure)</p> <div>⬆</div>
<p>Comparison ex-ante and ex-post outcomes/impacts for extended areas /low population density, if satellite data is not sufficient; for very large areas (>100 sq km) airborne photography is more cost-efficient; pure retrospective analyses difficult</p> <div>+</div>	<p>Useful for (virtual) site visits and real-time evaluation</p> <p>Useful as support for various baseline studies</p> <p>Beneficiaries and PAP might need to be informed about drone use.</p> <p>Useful for measuring, e.g., size of resettlement sites (orthophotos); must be close to the object or area (viewing distance), very large areas (>100 sq km) can be lengthy and expensive, and no retrospective analyses possible</p> <div>+</div>	<p>Human rights risks: Drone images could be used against Images/ videos could be used against individuals or groups of people who are especially vulnerable to human rights abuse (e.g., ethnic minorities)</p> <p>Drones may create fear (chilling effect), especially in conflict areas or areas where drones are unknown</p> <p>> Digital Rights Check</p> <div>⚡</div>	<p>National UAV/drone regulations may not allow or severely restrict the use of UAV/drones, check third-party insurance, emission, and import regulations; there may be UAV/drone restrictions in certain areas, such as critical infrastructure. Check how the inadvertent collection of personal data by UAV/drones can be avoided or minimized</p> <div>⬆</div>
<p>Comparing baseline and impact satellite data is almost always useful:</p> <p>public high-resolution data (1m–30m) mostly cost-free, very large areas, retrospective and repetitive analysis possible</p> <div>+</div>	<p>Useful especially in combination with GIS.</p> <p>Various application possibilities, e.g., for assessing right of way, resettlement census, the progress of establishment of resettlement sites (PAPs), land use and land-use changes, biodiversity offsets (e.g., afforestation as a compensation measure), etc.</p> <p>Frequencies of flyovers may limit real-time follow-ups.</p> <p>Problems for optical systems in areas with heavy cloud cover (equatorial)</p> <div>+</div>	<p>Human rights risks: High-resolution satellite images could be used against individuals or groups of people who are especially vulnerable to human rights abuse (e.g., ethnic minorities)</p> <p>> Digital Rights Check</p> <div>⚡</div>	<p>High-resolution satellite images (finer than 0.31 m can make a person visually exposed, resulting in an invasion of personal privacy. Check how the inadvertent collection of personal data can be avoided, for instance by choosing a lower resolution of the images or blurring individuals visible in the images. Data protection and privacy impact assessments are recommended</p> <div>⬆</div>

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	Infrastructure quality & project progress incl. use of funds	Target area(s)/ target groups identification	Target group needs and feedback
Geospatial Tools/Geographic Information Systems (GIS)	Comparing the status of many project sites on a map 	Comparing planned sites with external geographical data 	Not useful for planning, but potentially useful for visualization of impacts
Sensors/Smart meters (Internet-of-Things)	Useful, if installed before the end of the implementation 	Not useful	Not useful
Building Information Modeling (BIM)	For technically complex projects with many implementing partners 	Not useful	Not useful
Collaboration Tools (e.g., video conferencing, digital whiteboards, TruBudget)	Project team collaboration 	Not useful	Virtual focus group discussions Risk of exclusion/further marginalization of groups without access
eLearning Tools	Useful, if implementing staff/contractors need training 	Not useful	Useful, if target groups need training to provide feedback

		Context conditions making use of tool type difficult or impossible	
Project outcomes and impact (incl. usage)	Environmental and social adverse impacts and risks	Low-level freedom of expression (e.g., according to Freedom House Index)	Challenging legal or regulatory conditions
Comparing outcomes/impacts of many project sites on a map 	Comparing E&S impacts & risks of (many) project sites on a map, many applications e.g., deforestation, population influx, resettlement, environmental degradation, etc. Visualization of impacts 	Human rights risks: detailed maps could be used against individuals or groups of people who are especially vulnerable to human rights abuse (e.g., ethnic minorities). Security of exact geographic data needs to be contractually ensured by all other external providers and users > Digital Rights Check 	Avoid the (inadvertent) collection of personal data. Ensure security of the GIS data. Use open-source GIS if possible. Secure intellectual property rights for using the GIS information
Useful for measuring usage/operation/generation/production etc. 	Useful for various measurements/monitoring, e.g., flow data of river. Useful in low-bandwidth countries and sites that are not easily accessible. Level, flow, or pressure sensors can be useful, or photo/audio traps for wildlife assessments and monitoring impacts and risks related to usage/operation/ generation/production, etc. 	Human rights risks: if sensor/Internet-of-Things-generated data can be linked to individual persons, this could create human rights risks > Digital Rights Check	Privacy laws are only applicable if personal data (such as names of individuals) are attributed to the data Human rights risks: if sensor/Internet-of-Things-generated data can be linked to individual persons, this could create human rights risks > Digital Rights Check
Not useful	Not useful	N/A	N/A
Virtual focus group discussions Risk of exclusion/further marginalization of groups without access 	Project team collaboration Virtual focus group discussions Technically challenging in some regions Risk of exclusion/further marginalization of groups without access Good add-on for traditional methods 	Potentially reduced credibility if participants do not dare to speak openly; potentially prohibited by national regulations or informal rules > Digital Rights Check 	Check if the use of the planned tool type is restricted in the target area/country. Check ownership of the data shared via the tool and the terms of their use. The tool must have adequate security to protect personal data
Useful, if the monitoring and evaluation (M&E) team/staff need training for assessments 	Useful for various E&S capacity development activities, e.g., training for financial institution (FI) staff, PEA staff, or as a blended learning approach for sub-consultants trained by international consultants 	Please add here: "If eLearning-generated data can be linked to individual persons without the necessary safeguards, this could create human rights risks > Digital Rights Check	Data security and privacy laws: – The personal data of the students must only be collected and processed to the extent necessary for the training purpose. – Security of the collected data must be warranted

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Data Sources: Open Data and Public Media	Not useful	Always useful for project planning 	Secondary data might support needs analysis 
Data Sources: Big Data, Artificial Intelligence (e.g., cell-phone user movements, use of AI for analyzing social media data)	Not useful	Potentially useful for humanitarian planning, but potential bias toward cell-phone users  	Not useful

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Project outcomes and impact (incl. usage)	Environmental and social adverse impacts and risks	Low-level freedom of expression (e.g., according to Freedom House Index)	Challenging legal or regulatory conditions
<p>Comparing baseline and impact project data with external data sources is always useful.</p> <p></p>	<p>Comparing baseline E&S risk & impact project data with external data sources is always useful if relevant and reliable sources exist. Media monitoring: Assessment of project-relevant news to support E&S due diligence and risk reporting, as well as project management and monitoring/reporting, e.g., Google Alerts with specific keywords (incidents, protests, drought, flooding, etc.); Newspaper, TV, radio channels; specialized search engines like Prewave or Bankwatch</p> <p></p>	N/A	N/A
<p>Potential bias toward cell-phone users</p> <p></p>	<p>Potentially useful, e.g., regarding reputational risks one can set up lists with names of organizations to be monitored. This can be quite helpful for financial institutions (FI), media monitoring (participation in dodgy deals), and possibly for larger direct investment in conflict settings. Potential data protection issues</p> <p></p>	<p>Human rights risks:</p> <p>Potential risks of monitoring user movements in conflict or of triangulating information using big data and/ or other data sources to identify and target PAP negatively affecting them</p> <p>If big data-generated data can be traced back to individual persons or AI creates bias against marginalized groups, this could create human rights risks > Digital Rights Check</p> <p></p>	<p>Data security and privacy laws:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Wherever possible, the collection of personal data should be avoided. – Security of the collected data must be warranted <p>If big data-generated data can be traced back to individual persons or AI creates bias against marginalized groups, this could create human rights risks > Digital Rights Check</p> <p></p>



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