

Green Bonds – what, why, how? Opportunities for banking

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- > Intorduction to Green Bonds
- > The **five pillars** of Green Bonds
- > Summing up
 - Key documents
 - > Key steps in a typical Green Bond issuance process
- Market update
- > SEB how we did it

Carbon & Climate Change: Why Does it Matter to the Finance Industry?

Climate change – the slowly ongoing crisis

"Climate Risk is more complex and longer-term than most investment risks"

"Managing climate risk is outside the average investor focus areas"

Government & Investor Action Mounts to mitigate risks

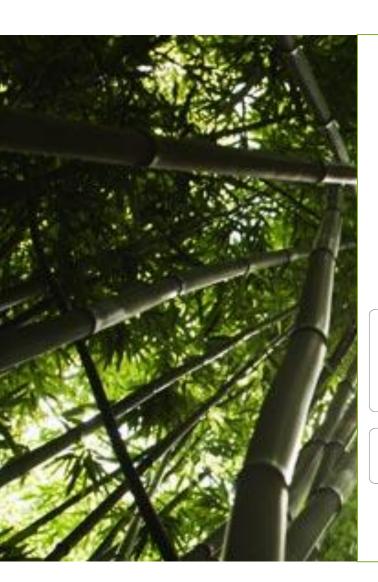
The Paris Agreement entered into force globally in 2015 ratified by 131 countries.

- Financial risk implications of climate change: Stranded assets and credit ratings
- What do we need for the transition to a more resource efficient, lower carbon world?
- Over the next 15 years, approximately \$93 trillion will be needed for investment in low carbon infrastructure across the world

Clean Energy Waste Reduction/Recycling Low Carbon Transport Infrastructure

Smart Technology Water Efficiency Sustainable Agriculture

Green Bonds born





Launches its first Green Bonds

SEK 2,325,000,000

6-year 3.5% Green Bonds

Investing to reduce global warming

Sole Lead Manager







skandia:



Senior Co-Manager

CREDIT SUISSE

Co-Manager

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Green Bonds defined



GREEN BOND DEFINITION



Green Bonds are any type of **bond instrument** where the **proceeds** will be **exclusively** applied to finance or re-finance in part or in full new and/or existing **eligible Green Projects** (see section 1 Use of Proceeds) and which are aligned with the **four core components of the GBP.**



Green Bonds – in response to investor demand

1714 investors with AUM of USD 73.5 trillion aim to integrate ESG in their investment decisions

Increasing number of investors signing off on the 6 Principles for Responsible Investments (PRI) (1)

- 1 Incorporate ESG⁽²⁾ into investment analysis and decision making process
- 2 Incorporate ESG into ownership policies and practices
- 3 Seek appropriate disclosure on ESG by entities in which we invest
- 4 Promote acceptance and implementation of the Principles within the industry
- 5 work together to enhance our effectiveness in implementing the Principles
- 6 > Report our activities and progress towards implementing the Principles



Source: Unpri.org



⁽¹⁾ PRI is an investor driven initiative in partnership with UNEP Finance Initiative and the UN Global Compact

⁽²⁾ ESG=Environmental, Social & Governance

Broadly endorsed by global leaders

- ➤ "For investors, green bond markets offer a stable, rated and liquid investment with long duration. For issuers, green bonds are a way to tap the huge US\$100 trillion pool of patient private capital managed by global institutional fixed-income investors."
- "The development of this new global asset class is an opportunity to advance a low carbon future while raising global investment and spurring growth."



Mark Carney

Governor of the Bank of England

The five pillars of Green Bonds

A concept of simplicity built on five pillars

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DefinitionUse of proceeds

 Identification and definition of investment areas / assets which are eligible for Green Bond financing

The Green Bond universe is divided into the following areas that target climate stress:

Mitigation

Adaptation

Environmental

2)

Selection

Process for project evaluation/selection

The Green Bond selection process ensures the right assets in line with the Green Bond framework are evaluated and selected

Establish procedures and secure ongoing monitoring

- It is recommended to include climate competence in the selection process
- Climate competence function(s) often has veto right in the selection process

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Verification

Assurance through external review

- Credibility is essential for the long-term development of the Green Bond market place
- Second opinion conducted by an independent third party specialist
- The primary objective is to verify the 'Greenness' of the investor's projects/areas
- Additionally, external assurance providers to verify the selection process in line with the Green Bond framework

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Monitoring Management of proceeds

- The proceeds raised via the Green Bond should be earmarked to support lending to the established eligible Green criteria
- There are several ways an issuer can earmark Green Bond proceeds, for example
 - Earmarked account
 - Balanced earmarked positions
 - Virtual Green balance sheet

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Reporting Transparency

- To uphold credibility it is essential to be transparent towards investors and the market
- Obtained via an annual publically available investor letter
- The letter should include a list of areas financed, a selection of project examples and a summary of the investor's Green development
- Identification of relevant impact measurements

The Green Bond universe

- Energy efficiency and other energy related initiatives (e.g. renewables) are driving the market at the moment
- Other project types include energy efficiency, sustainable housing, water management and waste management

Overview of selection process

Overall guidelines (internal / external)
 Eligible Green criteria
 Process for project evaluation
 Approval of eligible assets / projects

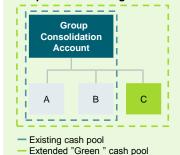
Who provides second opinions?

Cicero, DNV, Oekom, Sustainalytics, Vigeo

Why does SEB use Cicero?

- It's a non for profit academic institution
- Cicero is broadly recognized, providing research for G8, OECD, UN and the World Bank
- They have a well developed international network of climate scientists which can be activated for regional development

Example of earmarking



The investor letter



The broad value proposition of Green Bonds

Investors

- Achieve intelligence on climate related issues inside existing management structure
 - Risk management
 - Climate stress
 - Regulations
 - Technology transition
- Live your values competitiveness

Issuers

- Strengthen the financial position:
 - Investor diversification
 - Deepened dialogue
 - Enhanced issuance flexibility
- Dialogue between Finance and Sustainability -> enhanced risk management
- Live your values competitiveness

Society

 Activate (mobilize) human capital inside finance for society goals



The Green Bond Principles – a voluntary guideline

Overview

In efforts to develop standards for the green bond market, On January 13. 2014 a consortium of major banks developed a set of voluntary guidelines called the Green Bond Principles "GBP".

▶ These were updated in March 2015, June 2016, June 2017 and continue to evolve.

1. Use of Proceeds:

Issuer should declare the eligible green project categories upfront, providing clear environmental benefits.

2. Process for Project Evaluation and Selection:

Issuer should outline the process of selection and work to establish impact objectives.

3. Management of Proceeds:

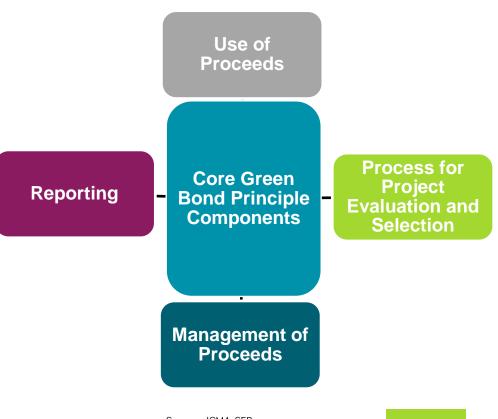
Funds should be segregated or otherwise tracked.

4. Reporting:

Issuers should report at least annually on the use of proceeds, allocated amounts and expected impact.

Recommendations - External Reviews:

The GBP encourage a high level of transparency and recommended that an issuer's process for project evaluation and selection be supplemented by and external review.





The Five Pillars of Green Bonds



Definition - Use of Proceeds - the Green Bond universe

Examples of the Gree	en Bond universe*	
Mitigation &	✓ Renewable Energy	Wind, solar etc.Related infrastructure
	✓ Energy Efficiency	Energy storage and recovery, district heating/cooling, smart_grids
	✓ Green Buildings	Building efficiency incl. environmental certification systems such as LEED, BREEAM or equivalent
	 ✓ Pollution Prevention and Control 	 Waste water management Recycling and waste-to-energy
Environmental preservation	✓ Environmentally Sustainable Management of Living Natural✓ Resources and Land Use	 Sustainable agriculture Sustainable forest management
	 Terrestrial and Aquatic Biodiversity Conservation 	 Protection of coastal, marine and watershed management Nature reserve management
	✓ Clean Transportation	 Public transportation and related infrastructure Alternative fuel vehicles
	 Sustainable Water and Waste- water Management 	 Infrastructure for clean and / or drinking water Energy recovery from waste water
	 ✓ Eco-efficient Products, Production Technologies and Processes 	 Eco labelled and certified products Resource efficient packaging and distribution
Adaptation	✓ Climate Change Adaptation	Flood protectionDisaster early warning systems

^{*} As outlined in the Green Bond Principle June 2017

Definition – Exemplified by Volvofinans Bank AB



Volvofinans Bank AB (publ)

Green Bonds Framework

Final version

17 March 2017

1. EARMARKED ACCOUNT

An amount equal to the net proceeds of the green bonds ("Green Bonds") issued by

2. ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

"Eligible Projects" means a selected pool of loans and leases to vehicles that are funded, in whole or in part, by Volvofinans Bank and that promote the transition to low carbon and climate resilient growth, as determined by Volvofinans Bank.

Such vehicles shall represent sustainable transportation defined as passenger vehicles which:

- meet the criteria as specified by Paragraph 11 a of Chapter 2 of the Swedish Road Traffic Tax Act (Sw. Vägtrafikskattelag (2006:227)) ("Environmental Friendly Cars") (Sw. Miljöbilar)¹, and;
- · can be powered entirely or partially by non-fossil fuels, i.e.:
 - electric vehicles
 - fuel cells vehicles
 - electric/petrol hybrid vehicles
 - electric/diesel hybrid vehicles
 - ethanol/petrol hybrid vehicles
 - biogas/natural gas vehicles
 - biogas/natural gas/petrol vehicles



Selection – safe guarding environmental integrity

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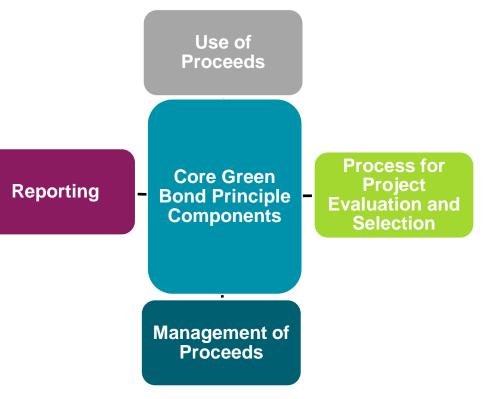
Process of Selection:

- ▶ The issuer of a Green Bond should outline:
 - a process to determine how the projects fit within the eligible Green Projects categories identified above;
 - > the related eligibility criteria; and
 - > the environmental sustainability objectives.

Management of Proceeds:

Reporting:

External Review:



Selection – Exemplified by Municipality Finance Plc



Municipality Finance Plc – Green Bonds Framework

4 April 2016

EARMARKED ACCOUNT

An amount equal to the net proceeds of the issue of the Notes will be credited to a special account that will support Municipality Finance's lending for Eligible Projects. As long as the Notes are

SELECTION OF ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Eligible Projects will, on an ongoing basis, be:

1. identified and verified by Municipality Finance's customers and potential customers. Customers and potential customers include municipalities, municipal federations, companies owned and controlled by the municipalities as well as housing corporations.

Eligible Loans will, on an ongoing basis, be:

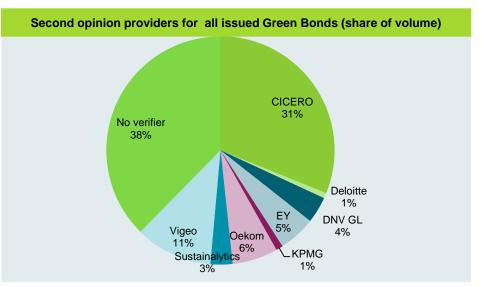
2. approved by Municipality Finance's Lending department

and, on a quarterly basis:

3. reviewed and finally approved in consensus by Municipality Finance's Green Loan Committee. Each loan and leasing will be analysed independently by the Green Loan Committee and will only be approved if the longer term net environmental impact is positive. The Green Loan Committee consists of two or more members from the environmental functions of Municipality Finance's customers and/or other environmental experts from relevant public sector entities/organisations.

Verification - Quality assurance through Second Opinions

- Recommendation in the GBP
- ▶ 2/3 of the Green issuers have a Second Opinion
- Frequently used Second Opinion providers include:
 - > CICERO
 - Vigeo
 - Oekom
 - > EY
 - > DNV GL
 - Sustainalytics



Source: Bloomberg & SEB, as at H1 2016

CICEROs has introduced Shades of Green

Dark Green

Implementing a 2050 climate solution today

Example: Investments in renewable energy such as solar or wind

Medium Green

On the way to a 2050 climate solution

Example: Investments in sustainable buildings with good energy efficiency ratings

Light Green

Short-term gains but not a long-term climate solution

Example: Energy efficiency improvements in industry that result in short-term reductions of greenhouse gas emissions but do not shift away from a fossil fuel-based economy

Monitoring – Management of Proceeds – the GBP

3. Management of proceeds:

- The net proceeds of the Green Bond, or an amount equal to these net proceeds, should be credited to a sub-account, moved to a sub-portfolio or otherwise tracked by the issuer in an appropriate manner, and attested to by the issuer in a formal internal process linked to the issuer's lending and investment operations for Green Projects.
- As long as the Green Bond is outstanding, the balance of the tracked proceeds should be **periodically adjusted** to match allocations to eligible Green Projects made during that period.
- The issuer should make known to investors the intended types of temporary placement for the balance of unallocated proceeds.
- ➤ The GBP encourage a high level of transparency and **recommend** that an issuer's management of proceeds be supplemented by the use of an **auditor**, **or other third party**, **to verify** the **internal tracking method and the allocation of funds** from the Green Bond proceeds.

Monitoring

Sound and simple:

- Starting point:
 - ➤ If you promise that use of proceeds exclusively shall be allocated to certain green project...
 - ...obviously, you must keep track of these specific funds.
- How to do it two general guidelines:
 - Keep it simple
 - Be prudent
- Alternatives:
 - Separate account at the house bank
 - Separate account in the internal accounting structure
- Make allocations to Eligible Green Projects periodically according to your Selection criteria
- Inform on how unallocated proceeds will be used
- Recommendation independent, transparent assurance of tracking method and the allocation of funds

Reporting – the GBP

4. Reporting

- Issuers should make, and keep, readily available up to date **information on the use of proceeds** to be renewed **annually** until full allocation, and as necessary thereafter in the event of material developments.
 - This should include a **list of the projects** to which Green Bond proceeds have been allocated,
 - as well as a brief description of the projects and the amounts allocated,
 - > and their expected impact.
- Where confidentiality agreements, competitive considerations, or a large number of underlying projects limit the amount of detail that can be made available, the GBP recommend that information is presented in generic terms or on an aggregated portfolio basis (e.g. percentage allocated to certain project categories).

Impact Reporting – the GBP

4. Reporting (continued)

- Transparency is of particular value in communicating the expected impact of projects. The GBP recommend the use of
 - qualitative performance indicators
 - and, where feasible, quantitative performance measures (e.g. energy capacity, electricity generation, greenhouse gas emissions reduced / avoided, number of people provided with access to clean power, decrease in water use, reduction in the number of cars required, etc.)
 - disclosure of the key underlying methodology and / or assumptions used in the quantitative determination.
 - Issuers with the ability to monitor achieved impacts are encouraged to include those in their regular reporting.
- Leading International Financial Institutions have developed a reference framework for impact reporting ("Working towards a harmonized framework for Green Bond impact reporting" available at www.icmagroup.org/greenbonds) that outlines
 - core principles and recommendations and puts forward core indicators for two sectors: energy efficiency and renewable energy.
- Nordic public sector issuers of Green Bonds are engaged in a joint work on establishing a common approach to Green Bonds impact reporting.

Reporting – Evolution

2009



2016



Reporting

- Requirement and recommendation
- Diversity of issuers
 - Sector
 - > Size
 - Capacity
 - History
 - Competitive landscape
 - > Regulatory framework
- Trade-off: strength of commitment capacity to deliver

Reporting

- Impact reporting the devil is in the details
 - > Numerous new trade-offs lined up
- Harmonization is encouraged
- Reporting synergies and multiple benefits from knowing what you're doing
- General guidelines:
 - Honour transparency
 - Better to under promise and over deliver
 - Clear direction one step at a time

Summing up - Key documents

Green Bond Framework

NACIONAL FINANCIERA S.N.C. GREEN BOND

FRAMEWORK OVERVIEW AND SECOND-PARTY
REVIEW BY SUSTAINALYTICS

October 7th, 2015

Annual investor reporting





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Second Opinion

23 November 2015

'Second Opinion' on IFC's Green Bond Framework

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The Green Bond Principles





Green Bond Principles, 2016

Voluntary Process Guidelines for Issuing Green Bonds

16 June 2016

INTRODUCTION

Green Bonds raise funds for new and existing projects with environmentally sustainable benefits. The Green Bond Principles (GBP) are voluntary process guidelines that recommend transparency and disclosure, and promote integrity in the development of the Green Bond market. They are intended for broad use by the variety of actors participating in the market and are designed to provide the information needed to increase capital allocation to environmentally sustainable purposes without any single arbiter.

Key steps in a typical Green Bond issuance process

- 1. Internal decision to finance Green Projects with Green Money
 - Who is the internal driver: treasury sustainability management?
- 2. Prepare a Green Bond Framework define what is green
 - Can/will financial and environmental divisions must join forces?
 - Volume vs. quality, broad and comprehensive or narrow and quick, level of specification?
- 3. Establish a **process for selecting** eligible projects
 - Integrate environmental competence in the decision process
 - If needed, in-source adequate environmental competence
- 4. Secure verification get a Second Opinion
 - Choice of Second Opinion provider most demanding/quickest/cheapest?
 - Chance to adjust Framework based on critical feedback from external, environmental experts
- 5. Safeguard monitoring by establishing an **earmarked account** for proceeds/allocation
 - Practical but prudent
- 6. Commit to **transparency** with regards to use of proceeds
 - How much impact reporting can the issuer comit to?
 - Additional work or synergies with other reporting and communication?
- 7. Coordinate **communication**, internal as well as external
 - Press release, web page and intra net, add in business paper, conferences and events
- 8. Prepare the **transaction** to maximize beneficial impact
 - Maximize investor diversification, road show, maturity etc.

Strong media attention

LOBAL News & Analysi Climate Change

Environmental Finance



The Economist March 22nd 2014

Green bonds

Spring in the air

Swedish bank SEB tops green bond league table

A Swedish bank is beating major global players as top underwriter to the green bond market

SEB remains biggest green bond underwriter in first quarter of 2014



Cicero, SEB to broaden exclusive relationship

Cicero, the Osio-based climate research institute, is to end its exclusive relationship with SEB in the green bond market. Talks are under way that would enable other banks -probably starting with one or a few -- to start using Cicero's services as an adviser. SEB hopes this will involve creating a wider certification platform for green bonds.

Skanska sells first green bond to strong demand





Bond 'Infrastructure' to Aid Clean Energy: SEB

BY ANGUS MCCRONE. BLOOMBERG NEW ENERGY FINANCE

The Economist

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Green bonds

Green grow the markets, O

The market for green bonds is booming. But what makes a bond green?

Green bonds grow with SCA deal, Skanska expected tomorrow





Bonds Tied to Green Investments are Booming March 22, 2014

Source: The Economist



sustainable products at SEB. the Swedish bank, discusses their future with Chris Flood of



Investors keen to be seen in public advertisements

...for example in connection to the World Bank's issue in August 2013...



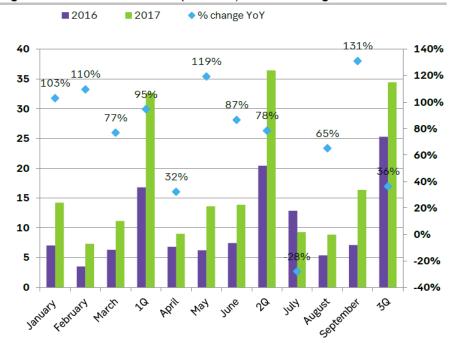


Green Bond Market Update



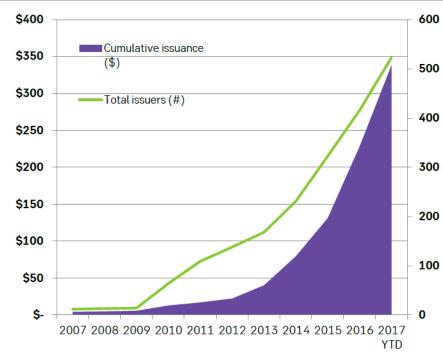
Green Bonds issuance: 2017 (YTD) and cumulative

Figure 1. Periodic issuance (USD Bn) and % change YoY



Source: SEB analysis based on Bloomberg/BNEF and SEB data

Figure 2. Total cumulative issuance (USD Bn) and # of issuers \$400



Source: SEB analysis based on Bloomberg/BNEF and SEB data. YTD through October 10.

Country league table 2017

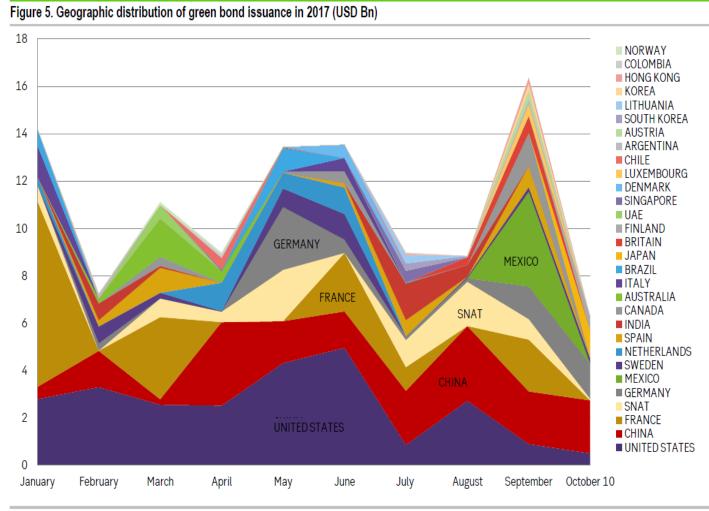


Figure 3. Top 10 countries in 2017, incl. Supranational (USD Bn)

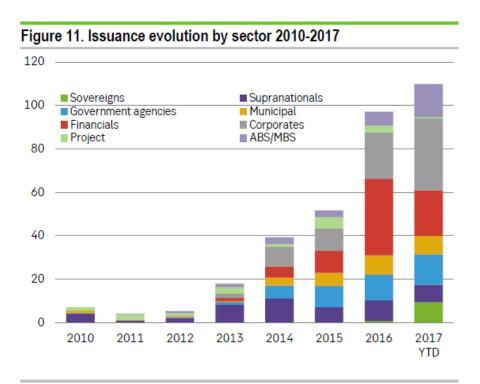
Rank	Region	Issuance	2017 Trajectory YTD
1	UNITED STATES	25.4	
2	CHINA	19.0	~~~
3	FRANCE	17.0	\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\
4	SNAT	8.0	~~
5	GERMANY	6.7	
6	MEXICO	4.0	
7	SWEDEN	3.3	
8	NETHERLANDS	3.3	
9	SPAIN	3.1	
10	INDIA	2.8	

Source: SEB analysis based on Bloomberg/BNEF and SEB dat. YTD through October 10.

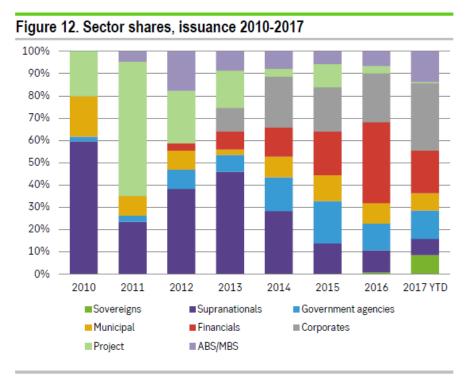
Note: Country of Domicile classifications and terminology from Bloomberg used. SUPRANAT = Supranational; Taiwan = Chinese Taipei. Top issuers labelled in chart for illustration.

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Issuance by year and by sector



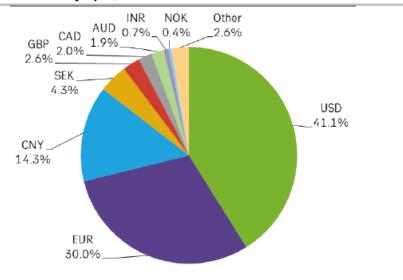




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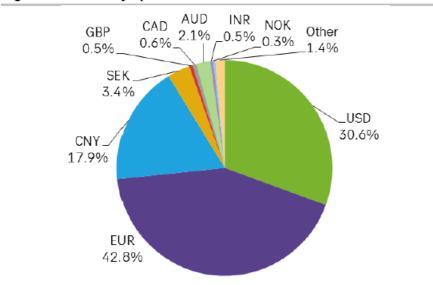
Green bonds by currency

Figure 9. Currency split, cumulative issuance 2007-2017



Source: SEB analysis based on Bloomberg/BNEF and SEB data. YTD through August.

Figure 10. Currency split of issuance in 2017 YTD



Source: SEB analysis based on Bloomberg/BNEF and SEB data. YTD through August.

League table for global Green Bond underwriting

Selected Green Bond issues underwritten by SEB



5 year EUR 1.5 billion 0.375% July 2019 Joint Lead

SEB

NWB BANK NEDERLANDSE WATERSCHAPSBANK N.A

5 year EUR 500m 0.625% July 2019 Joint Lead

SEB



5 yr EUR 500mm / 3 yr USD 0.75% / 2.00% Nov 2020/ Nov 2018 Joint Lead Manager

SEB



5 year EUR 500m , 0,625% Dec 2020 Joint Green Structuring Advisor Joint Lead Manager (no books)

SEB



USD 1billion 0.625% fixed bond November 2016 SEB

USD 500m

0.750% fixed bond October 2016

THE WORLD BANK

SEK 3.250m 3.500% fixed bond November 2014 Sole Lead SEB



USD 250m 1.625% fixed bond April 2018 Joint Lead

SEB



5 year SEK 850m FRN April 2019 Sole Bookrunner SEB



SEB

5 year SEK 1bn/500m 2.500% / FRN April 2019 Sole Bookrunner SEB



USD 500m 0.750% fixed bond Nov 2016 Joint Lead SEB



3.000% fixed bond April 2019 Joint Lead

SEB

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5 year SEK 1 billion 0.625% January 2021 Sole Lead

SEB

VASAKRONAN

SEK 1,300m 1.774% / FRN May 2016 Sole Lead

SEB

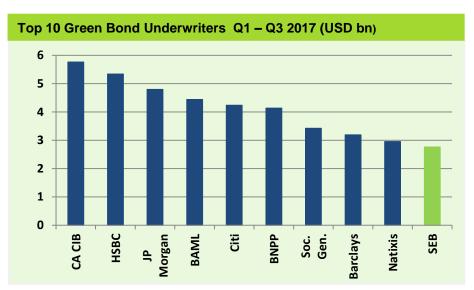


0.875% fixed bond January 2017 SEB

Korea Eximbank

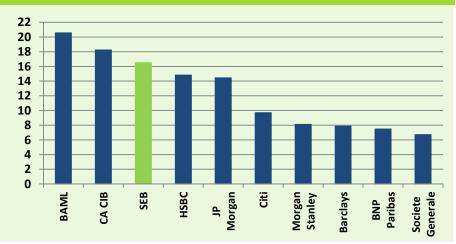
USD 500m 1.750% fixed bond February 2018 Joint Lead

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Source: Bloomberg

Top 10 Green Bond underwriters Q1 2007 - Q3 2017 (USDbn)



Source: Bloomberg

The Green Bond market – deepening and broadening

Green Bond Indices

- Solactive
- Barclays/MSCI
- S&P/Dow Jones
- > BAML

Green Bond Funds

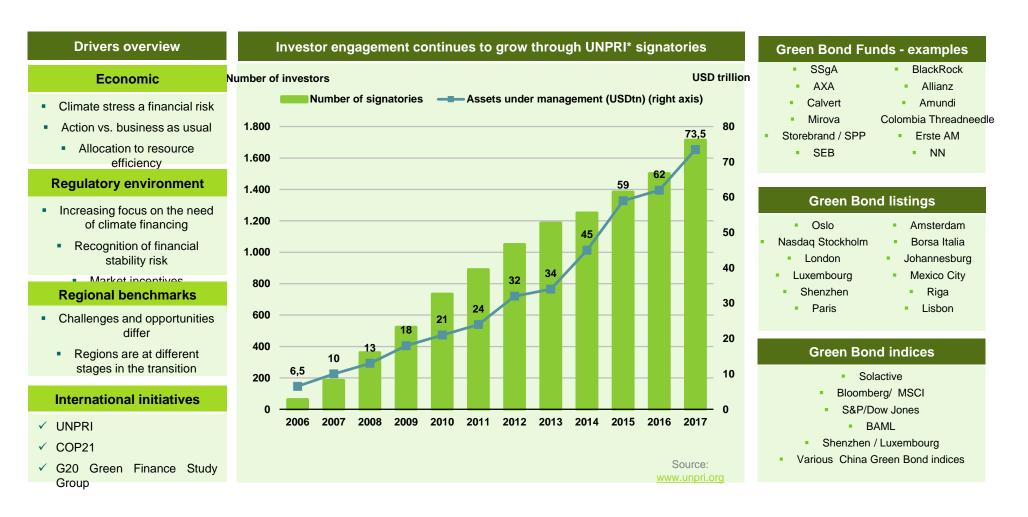
- SSgA
- Nikko AM World Bank
- Calvert
- Mirova
- > Storebrand/SPP
- > SEB

Green Bond Listings

- Oslo Stock Exchange
- Nasdaq Stockholm Sustainable Bond List
- London Stock Exchange
- Mexican Stock Exchange
- + antoher 8 Stock Exchanges



Green Bond market ecosystem and investor engagement





Source: SEB analysis

Market drivers

Investors	ESG integration and sustainable investments demand
	Risk-adjusted return (alpha, beta, or hedging strategies)
Economic Forces	 Local air and water pollution across Emerging and Developing Economies as well as OECD
	 Avoided health care costs, labour market and productivity benefits, fuel savings, trade benefits
Technology Forces	Cost-down curves in renewables, batteries, IT, fintech
	 Scaling up of electric vehicles and enabling infrastructure (smart grid, HDVC, charging, storage, etc.)
Security	 Energy security (investing in renewables to lessen import needs or to protect military supply chains)
	 National security (climate stress as a threat multiplier)
Bankable Pipelines	Green infrastructure investment demand to meet challenges of the 21st century
	(population growth, growth of middle class, rural to urban, resource efficiency and circular economy)
	■ Green investment policy frameworks (price on CO ₂ , removal of Fossil Fuel subsidies, support for green projects, green
	infrastructure banks)
Policy Alignment	 Green infrastructure policies driven by national interest – bottom up (NDCs, 114 countries have renewable
	energy policies, 66 for transport)
	■ Top down environmental agreements COP21, SDGs, ICAO, Montreal Protocol
	 Attention to climate risk and green finance from Financial Stability Board, Central Banks, G20, Finance Ministries,
	■ EU High Level Expert Group report on Sustainable Finance
Social Forces	 Sustainability preferences of millennials
	Divestment movement and Civil society initiatives and pressure
Green Bond Specific	■ Market-led or government initiatives (ICMA, CBI, G20, EC + China, India, Japan, Indonesia, Singapore, etc.)

EU High Level Expert Group report on Sustainable Finance

- 1. The creation of a classification system for sustainable assets, coordinated by the European Investment Bank
 Aim to help identify projects that support EU environmental policy goals, with a view to broadening into social areas in the future
- 2. The creation of "official green bonds standards" and incentives for financial products

 The standards, and corresponding label, would be based on the classification system above, once defined, as well as the GBP
- 3. The creation of shared fiduciary duty principles which include sustainability considerations

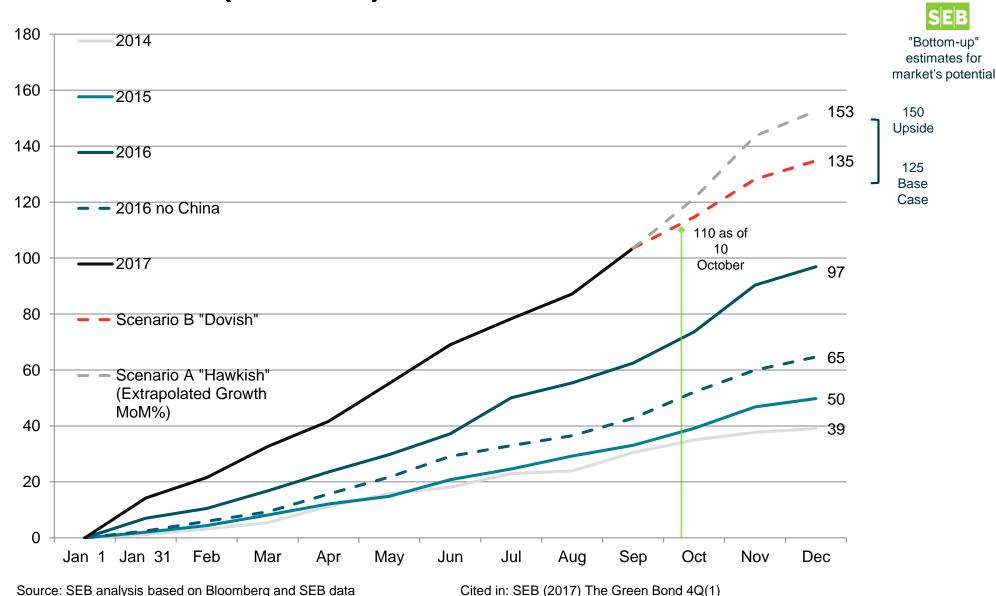
 Clarification should be made in upcoming reviews of legislation and regulation such as Mifid II, PRIIPs and rules that govern credit ratings agencies that ESG and long-term sustainability must be considered as part of fiduciary duty throughout investment and lending chains
- 4. Heightened disclosure around sustainability
 Governance, strategy, risk management and metrics/targets should all be considered in disclosure, and forward-looking information such as scenario analysis should be encouraged.
- 5. A sustainability test in financial legislation
 The report calls for the Directorate-General for Financial Stability, Financial Services and Capital Markets Union (DG Fisma) to improve its impact assessments for proposed legislation and policies. It recommends that DG Fisma takes more seriously its commitment to include "a description of the environmental, social and economic impacts and an explicit statement if any of these are not considered significant"
- 6. The creation of a matchmaking body to stimulate green infrastructure development

 "A dedicated advisory and match-making facility between public authorities and private investors" that would give guidance on structuring and developing sustainable infrastructure projects and finding appropriate investors to finance them
- 7. The positioning of European Supervisory Agencies on sustainability

 The current review of European Supervisory Agency (ESA) operations should include clarification and enhancement of their role in assessing ESG-related risks in the context of long-term financial stability. The ESAs should encourage participation from experts in sustainability, too
- 8. The creation of accounting standards for energy efficiency

 To boost the flow of effective energy efficiency projects much needed in order to meet EU climate goals a better interpretation of accounting standards needs to be developed by Eurostat Source: https://www.responsible-investor.com/nome/article/leq_interim/pittps://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/170713-sustainable-finance-report_en.pdf

Global Green Bond Market Evolution & Scenarios for Q4 2017 (USD Bn)





SEB – how we did it

SEB Green Bonds at a glance



Issued by SEB

- A Nordic bank with well diversified business
- Strong capital base composition and credit ratings
- Solid financial development with stable profit growth



Sustainability is embedded in SEB's strategy & integrated in everyday work

- SEB aspires to be a role model in sustainability within the financial industry
 - SEB is included in Dow Jones Sustainability Index as the only Nordic bank.
- SEB has the ambition to create longterm financial value from a social, ethical and environmental perspective



SEB has a robust Green Bond Framework and is committed to responsible lending

- The Green Loan Portfolio is worth SEK 11.8bn and is expected to grow
- SEB's Green Bond Framework gets a dark green shading by Cicero
- SEB developed the Green Bond Market together with the World Bank and a number of forward-thinking investors in 2007/2008

Sustainability at SEB

SEB aspires to be a role model in sustainability within the financial industry

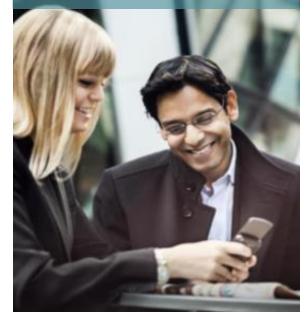
Our conviction

We are convinced that companies that include sustainability in their operations are more successful in the long term.



Our responsibility

We take responsibility for how our business affects our customers, employees, shareholders and society at large.



Our ambition

We shall create long-term value from a financial ethical, social and environmental perspective.



SEB's sustainability journey

2008

- Adoption of the UN Principles for Responsible Investments.
- Signatory of the Carbon Disclosure Project.
- First issue of Green Bonds for institutional investors – developed in cooperation between the World Bank and SEB.



2010

Support Young

Enterprising (Ung

Företagsamhet).

Support Mentor in

Latvia and

Lithuania.

External web site

Sustainable

Perspective

launched.

Sector policies and position statements approved by the

2011

- Sector policies and position statements approved by the GEC.
- OECD Guidelines for Multinational
 Enterprises, revised.



• Strengthened position statement on climate change.

2013

- SEB launched microfinance fund.
 - Facilitated first ever corporate Green Bond as well as first Green Bond for a Nordic municipality.
 - Human Rights policy approved by the GEC.

2015

- Reduced CO2 emissions with 54 %, exceeding the target.
- Strengthened position statement on climate change.
- Launch of third micro finance fund.
- Increased index for employee engagement for third year in a row.

2004

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2006

SEB published Code

of Business Conduct.

SEB signed the UN Global Compact.



2007

- First Nordic Bank to adopt the Equator Principles.
- SEB's first
 Corporate
 Sustainability
 Report published.

2009

- Joined the Swedish Financial Coalition against child pornography.
- First group-wide CS strategy and framework decided upon by the Group Executive Committee
- CS Report in line with Global Reporting Initiative guidelines.

SEB's first Corporate
 Sustainability Report published.



2012

- Updated Code of Business Conduct.
- Launch of whistle-blowing process.
- Renewed agreement with Mentor.



2014

- Launch of second micro finance fund.
- Sector policy on Arms and defence revised.
 - 300 employees attend CS Summit 2014.
- Engagement with El Sistema
- One of 13 banks to initiate the Green Bond Principles

2016

 Launch of the 4th Microfinance fund

2017

- Included in Dow Jones Sustainability Index
- For 2016 SEB raised its ambition for sustainability with a new target to reduce its direct CO₂ footprint by 20% by 2020

Governance of SEB's sustainability work

Sustainability is embedded in SEB's strategy and integrated in everyday work

Board of Directors

President and Chief Executive Officer

Corporate Sustainability

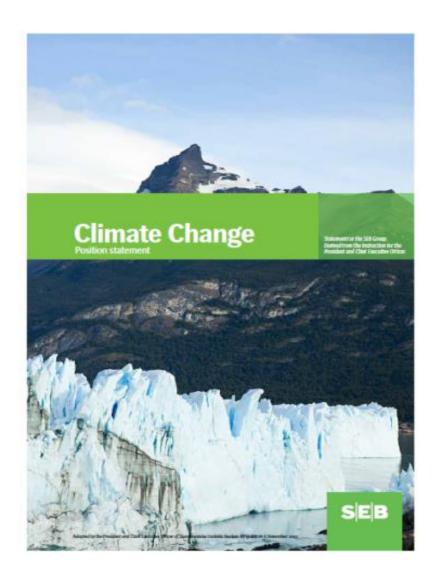
Committee

Group Corporate Sustainability

Local sustainability committees, managers and employees

- Decides on SEB's Strategy, including the Corporate Sustainability Strategy
 - Adopts the framework for sustainability in SEB, the Corporate Sustainability Policy
- Decides on the development and the execution of the Corporate Sustainability approach
- Adopts supplementary policies e.g. the Human Rights Policy & Environmental Policy
 - An operational steering group assigned by the President
- Responsible for proposing the sustainability agenda, ambitions, and targets – which are formally approved by the President
- Monitors the development of SEB's sustainable business priorities
 - Responsible for reporting annual progress
- Coordinates and drives the overall sustainability agenda within SEB
- Manage sustainability work on daily basis within SEB's divisions
- Local sustainability committees e.g. Green Products Steering Committee

Example: The Climate Change Position statement



The Climate Change Position statement has lead to the following actions:

- Gradual shift away from coal
- No financing of greenfield coal power generation plants
- No new business relations with companies with major business in coal mining
- Can support legacy clients in their transformations away from coal
- Development of a tool for client executives to influence clients through dialogues
- Support investments in climate friendly solutions
- Encourage clients to measure and disclose climate impact

SEB's sustainability approach

Three areas of responsibilities with focus on eight business priorities



Why does SEB issue a Green Bond?

Strengthening SEB's financial position while making an impact on the ground

Deepens SEB's sustainability commitment



SEB recognizes the economic and social importance of climate stress.

Issuing a Green Bond:

- Contributes to a greener asset allocation
- Closes the gap green capital finances green asset
- Recognizes the financial sector's importance when integrating sustainable goals

Increases customer satisfaction

SEB sees deepening client relations when increasing green product portfolio

Issuing a Green Bond:

- Supports customers environmental values
- Helps our clients include Green Finance in their profile
- Improves risk management for our clients



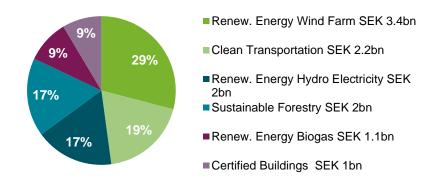
SEB sees an increasingly strong investor demand

Issuing a Green Bond:

- Broadens and diversifies investor base
- Deepens investor relationships
- Encourages a dialogue where Climate intelligence is used to identify financial risk/return issues

SEB's initial Green Loan Portfolio

Overview of the Green Loan Portfolio



The Green Loan Portfolio Composition SEK 11.8bn

Status of the Green Loan Portfolio



- The portfolio consists of 27 different counterparties.
- Diversified in 6 different eligible project categories



Ambition to grow the portfolio to SEK 20bn by 2020

Fabege (Arenastaden)



- SEK 730 million
- 5000 square meter sedum roof to decrease storm water
- 400 square meter solar cells for production of electricity for electrical vehicles
- Well insulated house with sun screening to minimise cooling need
- Optimised ventilation with effective heat recycling
 - Low energy lighting
 - 55 % lower energy use compared to Swedish building norms
- Low water use in showers, toilets and kitchen equipment
- Optimised recycling facilities for waste
- On line monitoring of water and energy

Mullberget wind park

- The 78 MW wind farm is situated in north west Sweden
- The site is equipped with 26 Siemens SWT 113-3,0 MW turbines
- Production 2015: 279 GWh, corresponding to annual consumption of 13,000 electricity heated family houses. Saving ~ 28,000 tonnes CO₂*
- Owners: Skanska Infrastructure Development and Jämtkraft
- SEB financing SEK 820 million



Eligible Projects

Define

Select

Eligible projects are classified and can have different shades of green

Eligible project category	Description	Shade of Green by ENSO/Oicero
Renewable energy	 Wind, solar, small scale hydro, tidal, geothermal, bio energy + related infrastructure 	k
Energy efficiency	 District heating, smart grids, energy recovery leading to energy efficiency gains of at least 25% 	Dark
Green buildings	 Energy use at least 25% below regulation and certain certifications (outside of Sweden) Renovation with energy efficiency gains > 35% 	Mayım
Clean transportation	 Non-fossil or hybrid transportation solutions/systems + infrastructure 	Marium
Waste management	 Methane capture, waste-to-energy 	M
Emission reduction	 Reduced emissions of CO2, SOx, NOx, particulates, heavy metals and dioxins 	Merium
Sustainable forestry	 Forestry with FSC/equivalent certification or at an advanced stage of the certification process 	Pork
Water & waste-water management	 Drinking water production, wastewater treatment, management of water resources 	Dark
Mitigation projects	Environmental projects Adaptation projects	0

Verify

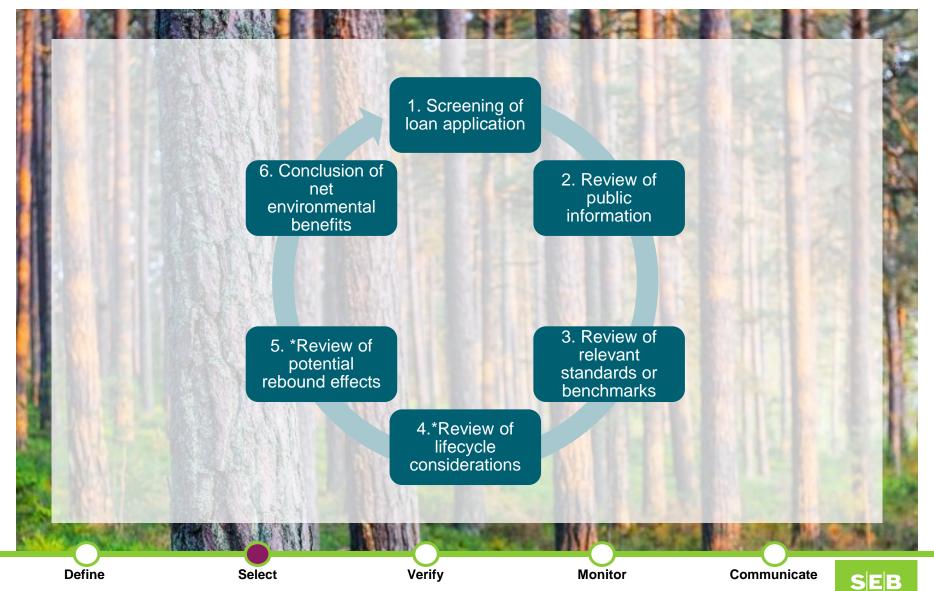
Monitor

Communicate

Selection process of Eligible Projects



SEB Green Loan evaluation process



Monitoring Eligible Assets & Green Bond proceeds

Processes and systems are in place to control the Green Loan portfolio

Responsible units

Large Corporates and Financial Institutions secure and monitor the Green Loan Portfolio

Treasury is monitoring the asset and liability management of the Green Loan Portfolio

Green Product Steering Committee remove assets from SEB's Green Loan Portfolio, if, for any reason, an Eligible Asset ceases to meet the environmental criteria in SEB's Green Bond Framework

Systemic solutions

- All Green assets are flagged and traceable in electronic systems
- Only systems where such flagging can be easily done are approved to qualify for Green Bond financing
- All Green assets can be aggregated on a daily basis







Communication

Transparency through annual reporting and public information

Green Bond information

Information is available on SEB's public webpage incl. links to:

- Green Bond Framework
- Green Bond Strategy
 - Second Opinion
 - Investor Reports

Investor Reports

The investor report will be published annually covering

- a list of the different categories of Eligible Assets financed and the percentage distribution to each such category
- 2. a description of a selection of Eligible Assets, as examples of the Eligible Assets financed in that year
- 3. a summary of the Bank's green financing activities, project examples, a review of Green lending categories and an update of SEB's Green lending

The Bank encourages environmental impact reporting and works towards a portfolio impact

reporting



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