

# **Impact and Allocation Reporting**

Helaba Green Bond Framework

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Sustainability in the Helaba-Group

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# Helaba's approach to sustainability is...









Norm - based

Helaba commits itself to climate protection and internationally recognized sustainability standards





# **Integrated**

Helaba manages sustainability using an integrated KPI-system in business strategy and risk strategy







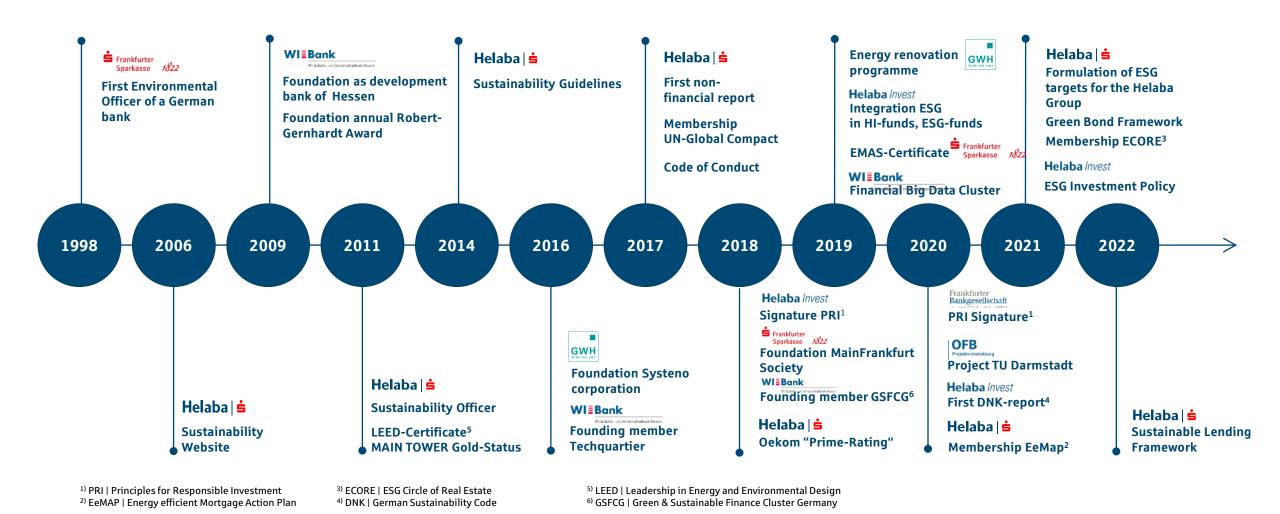


#### Hands-on

Helaba engages in sector initiatives and promotes sustainability solutions in financial services



# Sustainability is an integrated part of Helaba Group for a long time





# **Sustainability and ESG-Goals of Helaba**

### **ESG-Goals of Helaba Group**

1 Environment



We reduce our emissions in operations as much as possible

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2 Environment

With our actions we foster achieving the Paris climate goals

3 Social





We support diversity



We invest in our employees and society

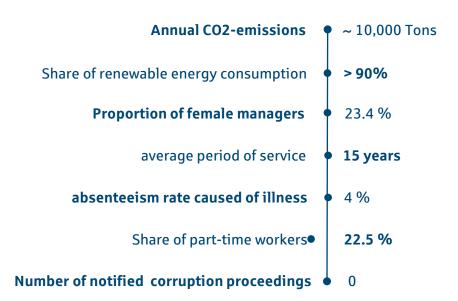
5 ESG (inkl. Governance-Komponenten)



We strive for a strong & stable ESG-Rating

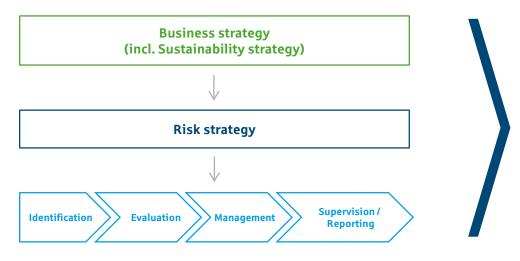
Specific targets and metrics are developed to achieve the group-wide goals, based on the existing sustainable KPI system

#### Selection of sustainability KPIs of Helaba Group



## Helaba has integrated binding sustainability criteria in risk management

#### Risk management model



#### Binding requirements in risk strategy

#### **Overarching principles:**

UN Global Compact, OECD-Guidelines for export finance

#### **Exclusions:**

Nuclear power, coal industry (incl. supply chain), Fracking, Arctic Drilling, oilsands, soft commodities, controversial weapons, gambling, pornography, prostitution

Minimum standards (selection):

Forestry, mining

- Binding: Every new business must comply with defined requirements
- Complete: Criteria apply to all forms of engagements group-wide
- Systematic: Annual evaluation process as part of regular risk strategy update
- Transparent: Criteria are publicly disclosed on website (<u>sustainability.helaba.com</u>)



## Holistic sustainability approach based on the Sustainable Lending Framework

### The Sustainable Lending Framework serves the classification of sustainable finance





#### **Second Party Opinion:**

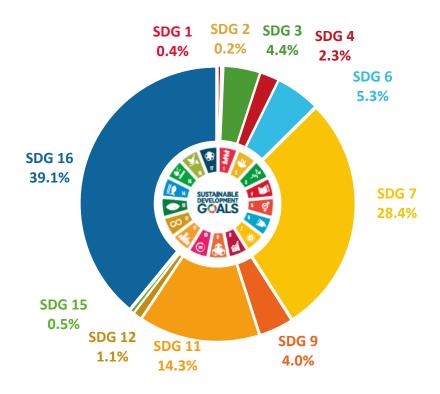
ISS ESG classifies the framework as "robust"



"This Framework puts forward a plausible sustainability strategy and objectives defined by Helaba for its entire activities and lending activities specifically, which are relevant for its business model."

COMPANY	SECTOR	DECILE RANK	TRANSPARENCY LEVEL
HELABA	PUBLIC & REGIONAL BANKS	1	VERY HIGH

# Distribution of Helaba's sustainable financing according to Sustainable Development Goals





# **Beyond climate – possibilities to define sustainable lending**

### Classification methodology für sustainable lending

Financing is in line with sustainability criteria in credit risk strategy



Financing supports
sustainable business
activities and / or
support the climate
transition



Financing can be classified as sustainable



#### **ESG** product

- ESG-structure: green / social purpose or sutainability-link
- In line with market standards (ICMA)
- Impact measurement

# Financed activity is taxonomy-compliant

- Financing is applicable for EU taxonomy
- Compliant with taxonomy environmental criteria 1 / 2
- Focus on climate

# Business activity with SDG contribution

- Clear allocation to one of the 17 UN SDGs according to the SLF
- Focus on environmental as well as social aspects





# **Overview ESG Ratings**



#### Among the top 10% in the peer group of 243 banks

- B- score for partial rating "Social & Governance"
- Scale from D- to A+

C	C	C	
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2020	2021	2022	



#### Among the top 20% in the peer group of 416 banks

- Top-Score for partial rating "Corporate Governance"
- Scale from 0 (best) to 100

20.7	19.1	21.7	
2020	2021	2022	



#### In the upper third of the peer group of 192 banks

- Top-score for partial rating "Financing Environmental Impact"
- Scale from CCC to AAA





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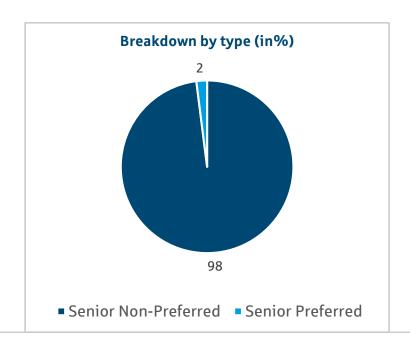


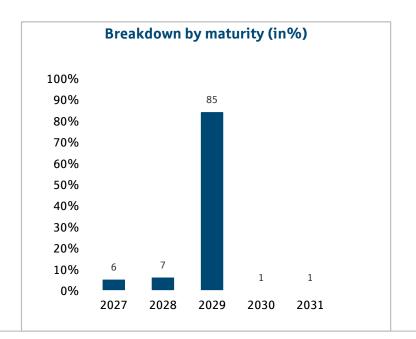
# **Green Bonds Outstanding**

### **Total Volume of Green Bonds issued in 2021: € 604,327,000**

#### The entire amount issued in 2021 has been fully allocated against Helaba's eligible Green Loan Portfolio

- 26 individual issues
- Senior Preferred and Senior Non-Preferred format
- Benchmark-issues / Private Placements / Retail Certificates





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## **Eligible Green Loan Portfolio**

### Portfolio of renewable energy projects:

- Wind energy
  - Onshore and
  - Offshore wind energy generation facilities
- Solar energy
  - Photovoltaics
  - concentrated solar power
  - solar thermal facilities

### **Sustainable Development Goals of the UN**



Affordable and clean energy



**Climate action** 

#### Eligibility requirements under the EU Taxonomy

- Substantial contribution to climate mitigation objective to ensure alignment with focused environmental objective
- Compliance with "do-no significant harm" criteria
- Compliance with Minimum Social Safeguard requirements

Helaba's Green Bonds will finance renewable energy projects with an contribution to the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals



# **Eligible Green Loan Portfolio**

# The "Renewable Energies" portfolio in figures:

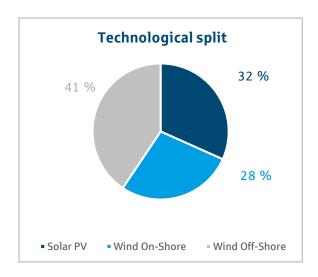
Solar Photovoltaics: € 980 mn

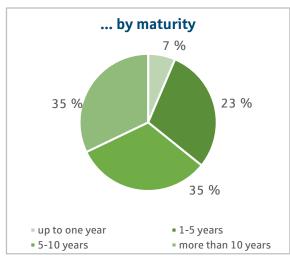
Wind Onshore: € 853 mn

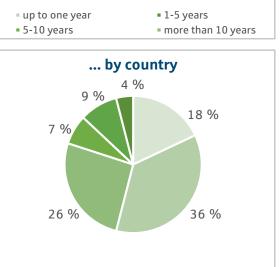
Wind Offshore: € 1,256 mn

Energy production per year: 6.6 mn MWh

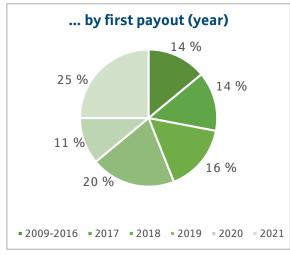
CO2 avoidance/-saving: 2,737 k tCO<sub>2</sub>

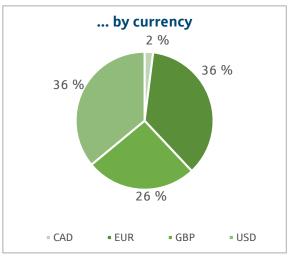






Germany USA UK Netherland France Others





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# Impact of the Eligible Green Loan Portfolio

Eligible Project Category	Number of Loans	Signed Amount (in mn. €)	Share of Total Portfolio Financings	Eligible for Green Bond	Average Portfolio Lifetime (in years)	Pro Rata Installed Capacity (in MW)	(Estimated) Annual energy production (MWh)	(Estimated) Annual Reduction of GHG emissions (tCO2-equivalents)
Renewable Energy	79	3,088	100%	100%	7.5	2,407	6,610,971	2,737,465
Solar PV Projects	33	980	32%	100%	6.2	955	1,738,498	706,897
thereof under construction	4	260				229	523,812	218,953
Wind on-shore projects	27	853	28%	100%	8.6	894	2,599,058	1,045,770
thereof under construction	2	56				57	190,512	46,904
Wind off-shore projects	19	1,256	41%	100%	8.0	557	2,273,415	984,799
thereof under construction	12	902				401	1,669,215	705,093

#### Methodology

- 1. In most cases Helaba does not finance the entire project. To calculate Helaba's share of installed capacity we adjust the total installed capacity of each project with Helaba's share of the total financing volume.
- 2. CO2 savings are calculated per loan using the country-specific emission factor for electricity generation published by EIB. Source: EIB Project Carbon Footprint Methodologies
- 3. In calculating the average portfolio lifetime, undrawn commitments are taken into account with their respective utilization period.
- 4. For financed projects that had not fully completed the construction phase at the beginning of 2022, the amount of energy production is on estimated values.
- 5. The annual CO<sub>2</sub> reduction is calculated based on planned production

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### Offshore Wind Farm Borkum Riffgrund 1

- The facility encompasses 83 wind turbine generators and is located 50 kilometres north of the island of Borkum
- It is expected to generate up to 900 megawatt of electricity starting from 2024, sufficient to provide enough electricity for more than 900.000 households



# **Key Project Data**

- Installed Capacity 900 megawatt
- Transaction Amounts € 1.2 bln. (Helaba share € 85 mln.)
- Helaba role mandated Lead Arranger & Hedging Bank
- Timing entry into service 2025
- Location Germany
- Financing Set-Up Consortium of 8 banks



### Photovoltaic Solar Project – Mulligan Solar

- It is expected to generate up to 70 megawatt of electricity starting from mid 2022, sufficient to meet the electricity requirement of more 14.000 homes
- The project will sell its renewable energy credits to three Illinois electric utilities under a state renewable energy program. The power from Mulligan Solar will be delivered into the local electrical grid, helping to diversify Illinois' energy portfolio



# **Key Project Data**

- Installed Capacity 70 megawatt
- Amounts \$ 150 mln.
- Helaba role bilateral financing agreement
- Timing entry into service mid 2022
- Location USA (Logan County, Illinois)



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