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### The sustainable water bank



Responsible and social return



### **About us**

#### **NWB Bank - Nederlandse Waterschapsbank**

- Bank for the Dutch public sector established in 1954
- Ratings:



**S&P**AAA
Stable
A-1+



Moody's

Aaa Stable P-1

- 100% owned by Dutch State and local authorities
- Almost all credit exposure to Dutch government
- Never a default on a loan
- No profit maximization
- Bloomberg ticker: NEDWBK





### **NWB Bank**

- Supervision by ECB
- · 20%

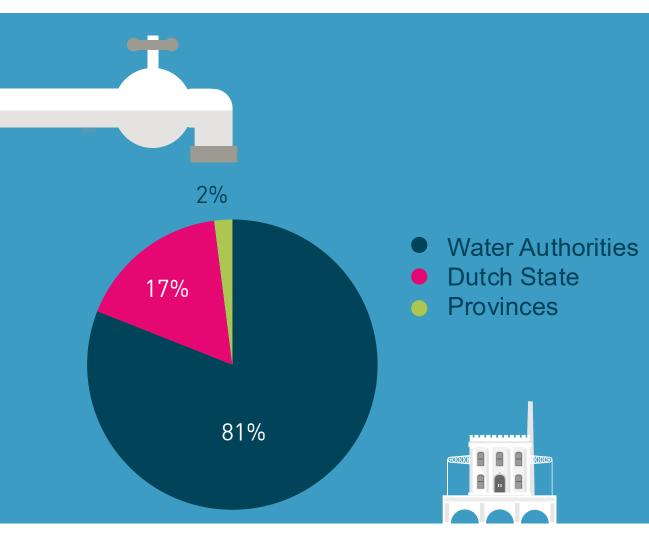
BIS risk weighting

- Level 1 High Quality Liquid Asset
- ECB repo-eligibility
- Annual issuance Green and Sustainable Bonds >33%
- Long term funding requirement 2025 around

€ 11-13 bln



# Ownership structure



#### Memorandum and Articles of

Association state that only the Dutch State and other public legal entities can be shareholders of NWB Bank

Water authorities are decentralised public authorities

- Similar legal status to municipalities
- Responsible for the flood control, water quality, water quantity and treatment of urban wastewater
- Receive on average 5% of their revenues from the government and the rest from taxes they are allowed to levy
- The mandate of the Water authorities is laid down by law in the "Waterschapswet" (www.overheid.nl)



# Breakdown of promotional loan portfolio

- AAA implicit rating
- Dutch government risk
- Zero-risk solvency weighting







# Key financials H1 2025

**Net profit** 

€64 million



Balance sheet total

**€89.8** billion



Cost/income ratio

25.5%



**Equity** 

€2.1 billion



CET1 ratio

35.2%



equired minimum 10,27% (including buffer) Liquidity coverage ratio

136%



required minimum 100%

Leverage ratio

11.4%



required minimum 3%

Net stable funding ratio

143%



eguired minimum 100%



# Funding strategy

#### **Benchmark transactions**

Debt Issuance Program € 75 bln

- In EUR and USD
- In benchmark maturities and size
- Eurobond (Reg S) format and 144A

### Private placements - EMTN, loan format, SSD, NSV

- On reverse inquiry, customized, listing option
- · Flexible as to currency, maturity and structure

#### **Public transactions**

EMTN, Kangaroo, Kauri, Formosa

- In various currencies:
   AUD, CAD, CHF, GBP, JPY, NOK, SEK
- Plain vanilla





## Commercial paper



**Euro Commercial Paper Program** 

# € 25 bln

- Dealers: Barclays, BoAML, BRED, CA-CIB, Citi, ING, Natwest, UBS, Rabobank
- Minimum ticket size

# € 75 mln equivalent

Fixed or floating coupons



**US Commercial Paper Program** 

\$ 25 bln

# Rules and regulations

# **High Quality Liquid Assets** (HQLA) **definition for the LCR**

- European Union: Level 1
- Switzerland: Level 2a
- US: Level 2a

(guidelines are subject to individual investor interpretation)

Repo eligible with: ECB, Swiss National Bank and Federal Reserve Bank

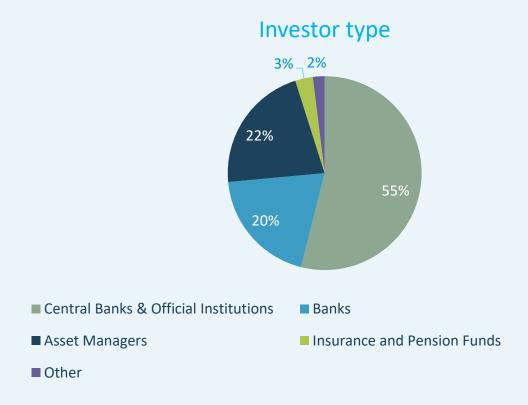
Accepted as collateral at EUREX, likely to be accepted in 2025 as collateral in LCH

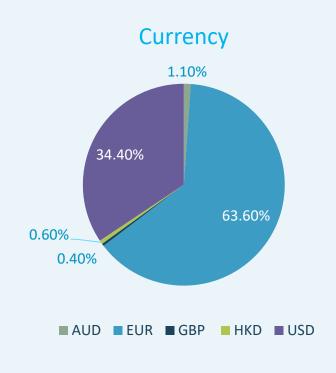
# **Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive** (BRRD) / Single Resolution Mechanism (SRM)

- In case of NWB Bank, BRRD/SRM does not restrict the ability of the Dutch State to support
- Dutch State acts as a shareholder, as such this is considered as private solution



### **Debt distribution 2024**







# **Debt distribution by region**





# **Maturity Profile**

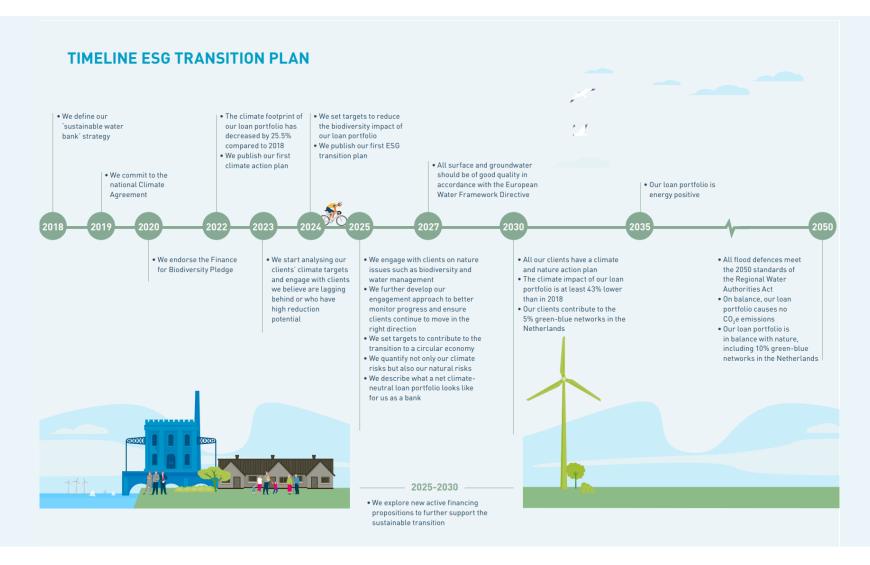




### **ESG Transition Plan**

- Sustainability is about more than climate mitigation:

   Climate Action Plan
   ESG Transition Plan
- Steps we intend to take to make a positive contribution while mitigating ESG risks for society and the bank.





# **ESG ratings NWB Bank**

Ratings
NWB Bank

Rating Scale

Sustainalytics

ISS ESG

B (Prime)

D-A+



### **ESG** bond issuances





NOW

### Social Bond

2017 2018 **2019 2020** 2021 **2022** 2023 2024 2025



### Water Bonds (Green Bonds)

### Eligible criteria

The proceeds from NWB Bank's Water Bonds are being used to provide loans to the Dutch water authorities. The water authorities are Dutch governmental bodies responsible for flood protection, water management and water quality.

#### Eligible projects

#### Climate change mitigation / Renewable energy

• Energy recovery from wastewater and extraction of phosphor

#### Climate change adaptation

- Flood protection and other flood defenses
- Pumping stations

#### Biodiversity conservation / Water and wastewater management

- Sanitation and dredging of waterbeds
- Transport and cleaning of wastewater
- Disposal of sewage sludge





Activities that correspor to the long-term vision of a low-carbon climate resilient future.



### Social Bonds

#### Eligible criteria

The proceeds are being used to provide loans to social housing associations in the Netherlands, contributing to affordable housing.





#### Eligible projects (2025)

 80% of the social housing lettings must be given to households with a maximum income of €49,669 (one-person household) or €54.847 (multi-person household) per annum.

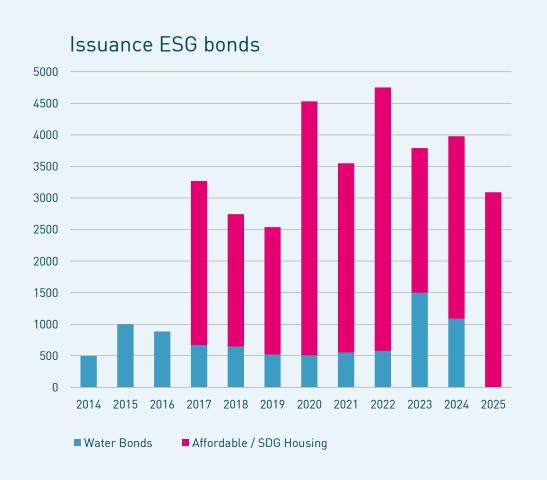


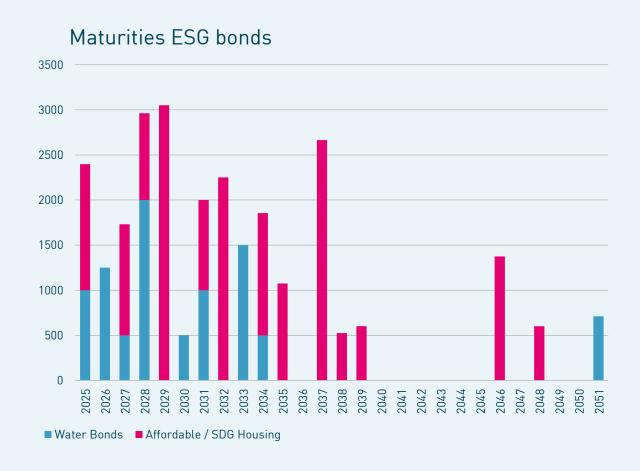


- Rents are capped at € 900.07 per month
- A maximum of 7.5% of the yearly social lettings may be allocated freely to specific priority groups.



### ESG bond issuances NWB Bank > € 30 bln







# Take aways NWB Bank

- Funding vehicle for the Dutch public sector
- AAA/Aaa by S&P / Moody's
- 100% owned by Dutch public sector
- Credit risk similar to Dutch government
- Promotional bank, so >90% of assets 0% risk-weighted and implied AAA
- One-sided liquidity, always a bid in the market
- Bonds are HQLA and eligible collateral at EUREX, will be in LCH.
- Tier 1 ratio around 41%
- Annual green and sustainable bond issuance



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