Green bonds: A finance tool for NDCs implementation

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What are Green Bonds?

Green bonds are debt securities issued by financial, non-financial or public entities where the proceeds are used to finance 100% green projects and assets

Just like regular vanilla bonds. "green" is a bonus feature to the bond.

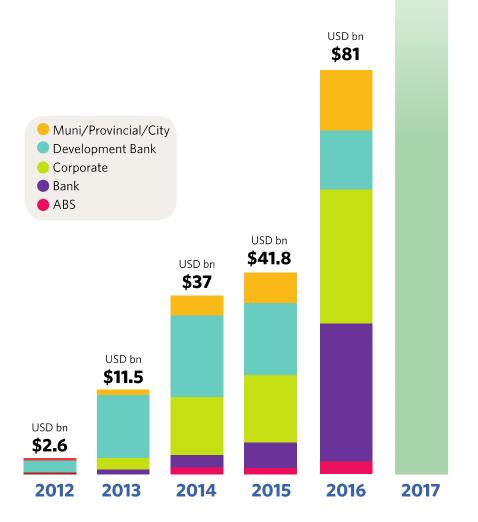
It's about the projects and assets, not the issuer.

- 1. Proceeds go to Green
- 2. External review/certification
- 3. Annual reporting
- * New and/or re-financing



Green bonds rapid growth





BENEFITS

Issuers

Investor diversification
Market positioning

Pricing

Investors

Addressing climate risk Financial returns w/ environment benefits Secondary market value

China went from zero to 40% of issuance in 2016



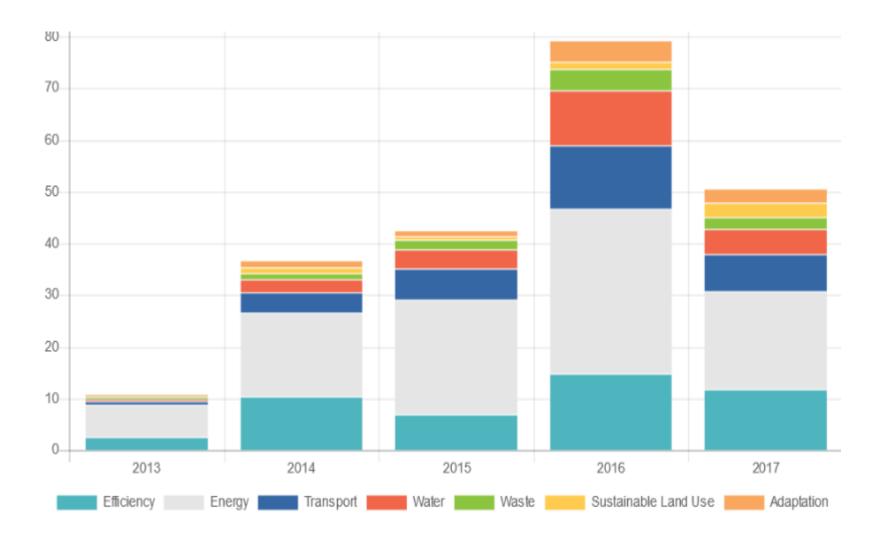








Green bonds breakdown by Sector















Developments Post Paris

- Green bonds grow as a mainstream tool to help implement NDCs
- Sovereign Green Bond Programmes
- Capital raising plans for NDCs

Green Infrastructure Investment Coalition

- NDCs => 3-5 year green investment plans
- Investor-country dialogue



Guidelines and Reviews



Green Bond Principles – ICMA

Proceeds must go to green / Explain process for project selection; use 2nd party review / Track proceeds; use auditor to verify / Report each year on details

Climate Bonds Standard & Certification: incorporates GBPs into a standardized framework with green definitions



National Green Bond Guidelines: China, India, Nigeria, South Africa, Brazil

ASEAN Green Bond Framework

Moody's/ S&P green assessment tools: quality of review & reporting













The developing scope of the CBS Water Criteria

Engineered water infrastructure (i.e. built assets to capture, treat and deliver waste water and clean water, and assets to protect against flooding)	IN
Nature based water infrastructure (i.e. nature based assets and systems that provide, among other ecosystem services, the treatment, capture and delivery of water	PUBLIC CONSULTATION
Water infrastructure in other sectors (e.g. water infrastructure assets in the agricultural sector)	IN (with exceptions)
Water driven energy assets, including wave and tidal installations, and hydropower	UNDER DEVELOPMENT













Examples: Certified Water Climate Bonds

		Use of proceeds
City of Cape Town CITY OF CAPE TOWN ISIXEKO SASEKAPA STAD KAAPSTAD	76M	 water management initiatives (which includes water meter installations and replacements, water pressure management, and upgrade of reservoirs) sewerage effluent treatment rehabilitation and protection of coastal structures
San Francisco Public Utilities	240M	Sustainable storm water management and wastewater projects included in the SFPUC Sewer System Improvement Program
San Francisco Water Power Sewer Services of the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission	259M	

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