



Verification Report for Pre-Issuance Certification of the Green Bond by EnBW

Scope

EnBW commissioned ISS-oekom to compile a Verification Report for Pre-Issuance Certification of its Green Bond by the Climate Bonds Initiative (CBI). The Climate Bonds Certification process includes verifying whether the provisions of the Climate Bonds Standard issued by the CBI are met and obtaining evidence to support the verification.

Criteria

Relevant CBI Standards for this Climate Bonds Certification:

- Climate Bonds Standard (Version 2.1)
- Wind – Sector Criteria (Version 1.1)
- Solar – Sector Criteria (Version 2.1)
- Low Carbon Transport (Version 1.0)
- Marine Renewable Energy Sector Eligibility Criteria (status 10/2017)

EnBW's Responsibility

EnBW's responsibility was to provide information and documentation on:

- Selection of nominated projects & assets
- Internal processes & controls
- (Proposed) reporting

ISS-oekom's Responsibility as a Verifier

ISS-oekom reviewed the information and documentation provided and developed by EnBW to assess the Green Bond's alignment with the CBI requirements:

- Conformance with the selection of nominated projects & assets requirements
- Conformance with the internal processes & controls requirements
- Conformance with the reporting requirements

ISS-oekom's approach to assess whether the issuer meets the criteria of the CBI standard was as follows. The issuer provided an overview over the assets to be included in the Green Bond asset pool and the relevant processes regarding the proceeds (e.g. use of proceeds, management of proceeds) to ISS-oekom. Further, the issuer needed to fill in a questionnaire that covers all criteria of the Climate Bonds Standard 2.1. Additionally, the issuer had to provide background documents that elaborate further on the information mentioned in the questionnaire. With the help of this questionnaire and the background documents, ISS-oekom carried out a desk-based assessment of the CBI criteria. In case any answers were unclear, ISS-oekom contacted the issuer for more details and clarification.

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Opinion

Based on the limited assurance procedures conducted and evidence obtained, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that, in all material respects the Issuer's 2018 Green Bond is not in conformance with the Climate Bonds Standard's Pre-Issuance Requirements.



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