## Handelsbanken

Green Bond Investor Presentation June, 2018

"Climate change is one of the biggest challenges and threats facing the modern world. The necessary reduction of greenhouse gas emissions will require significant changes to global consumption, transport and energy production. Handelsbanken recognises our role in society and our responsibility towards the local communities and countries where we operate, while striving to reduce and manage the impact we have on both people and planet. This entails limits to our activity in certain sectors as well as an active engagement with clients, and by doing this, we are striving to be a force for transition and change towards a low carbon future."

Anders Bouvin President and Group Chief Executive

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CFO

Elisabet Jamal Bergström Chief Sustainability Officer Chair Green Product Committee

Handelsbanken Green Bond Framework, June 2018

# Handelsbanken Green Bond Investor Presentation

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## Handelsbanken in brief Consistent business model for 46 years

## Corporate goal

Higher ROE than a weighted average of comparable peersGoal reached in each of the 46 years

#### Entrepreneurship

- Decentralised and flat organisation
- Local empowerment
- Utilization of local knowledge and expertize

### Steering

- No budget or bonuses
- Strict business control functions
- Full allocation of income and centralized costs

### **Risk culture**

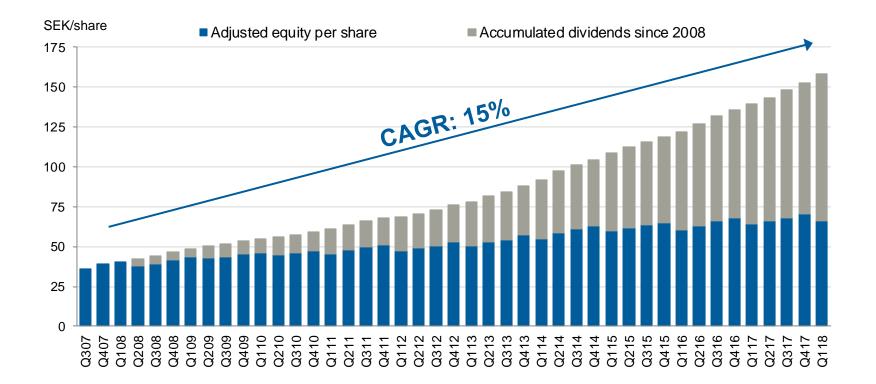
- Strict credit policy
- Consistent credit policy
- Local ownership of credit risks

#### People

- Long term relationship focus
- Focus on customers' need and demands, not products
- Oktogonen

## Handelsbanken in brief High and stable profitability with high growth and low volatility

Without any need of support from central banks, government or shareholders

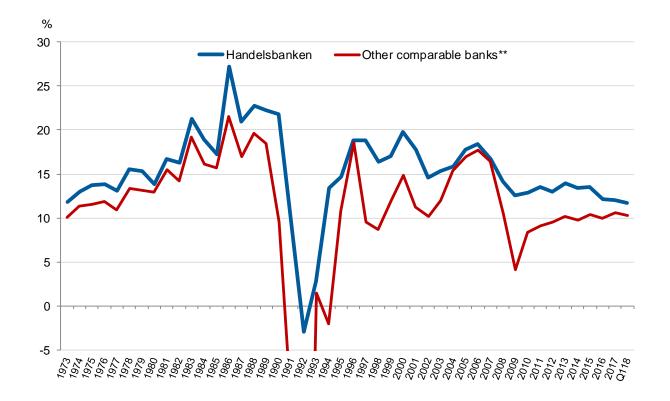


\* Dividends reinvested in ROE per quarter

CAGR = Compounded annual growth rate

## Handelsbanken in brief Target of higher ROE than peers reached for 46 years

### Return on equity\*



\* Return on shareholder's equity after tax (1973-2008: standard tax), adjusted for one-off items. [Annual Report 2017, page 10; Q1 report, page 4.]

\*\*SEB, Nordea, Swedbank, Danske Bank, DNB, Jyske, Sydbank, Barclays, Lloyds, ING, ABN AMRO.

6 Weighted average according to Oktogonen calculation.

# Handelsbanken in brief **Credit policy**

Sustainability aspects, such as environmental risks, are vital part of the Bank's credit policy

## Credit responsibility

- Credit responsibility at branch level
- Customer and credit responsibility closely related
- Each branch fully accountable internally for granting credits
- If necessary, branch obtains support from regional head office and central credit department

### **Basic Guidelines**

- Assessment starts with borrower's repayment capacity
- Weak repayment capacity can never be offset by collateral or high margins
- Quality requirements must never be neglected in favour of large volume
- · Credits must normally be adequately secured

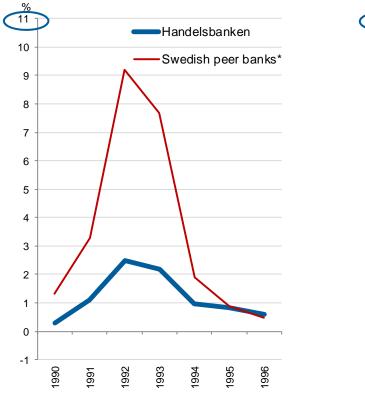
### **Consistency in credit policy**

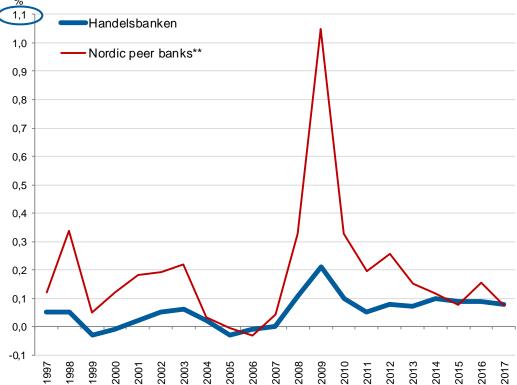
- Same in all markets
- Unchanged over business cycle

## Handelsbanken in brief Significantly lower historical loan losses

Loan loss ratio 1990 – 1996

### Loan loss ratio 1997 - 2017





\* Gota bank (nationalised 1992), Nordea (Nordbanken [nationalised 1992]) and SEB. Swedbank included from 1995.

(Annual Reports from the respective banks.)

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\*\* Danske Bank, DNB, Nordea, SEB, and Swedbank. (Annual Reports from the respective banks.)

## Handelsbanken in brief

## Differentiating factor



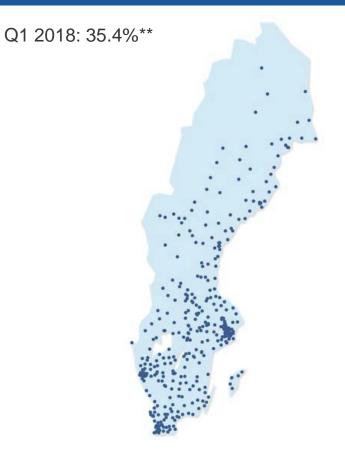
### Customers' opinions in SKI's survey 2017\*

"Handelsbanken's technical solutions top both on the private and corporate side."

"Technology is still liked, but is now more of a must, customers demand more than that today."

"Nor do non-personal and purely digital relations drive the desire to be and remain a full-service customer."

## C/I ratio Handelsbanken Sweden



\*\* Handelsbanken 2018 Q1 Report, page 10.

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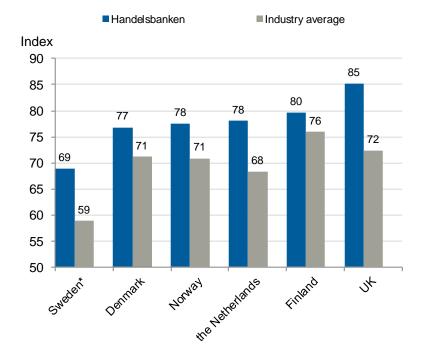
<sup>\*</sup> Quote from SKI 2017. www.kvalitetsindex.se/branschmatningar/bank-och-finans/

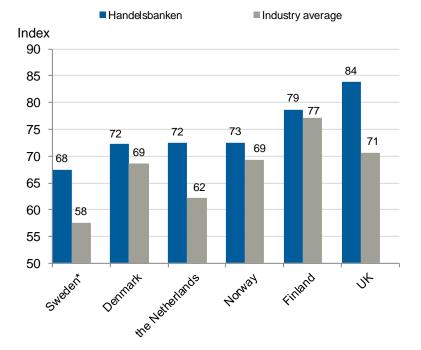
## Handelsbanken in brief

## More satisfied customers in all home markets\*\*

Customer satisfaction - Private

## Customer satisfaction - Corporate





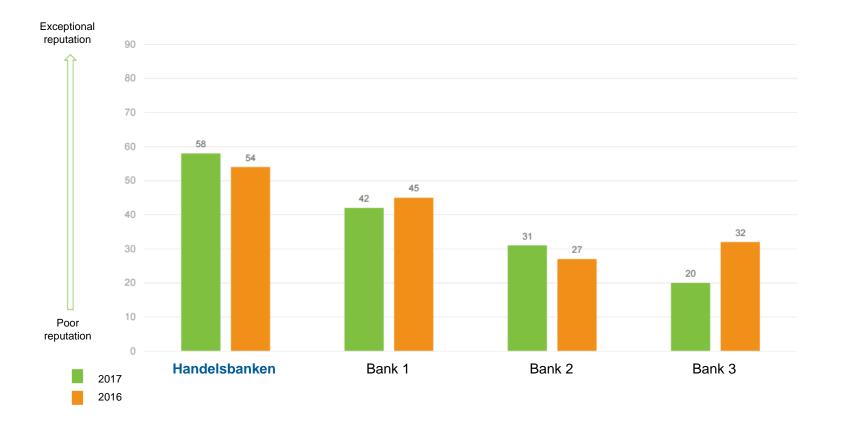
\* Average for Nordea, SEB and Swedbank in Sweden.

\*\* Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Norway, UK and the Netherlands.

10 Source: SKI and EPSI 2017. www.epsi-rating.com; www.kvalitetsindex.se/branschmatningar/bank-och-finans/

## Handelsbanken in brief Best reputation among banks – and increasing

Reputation Index Corporates 2017 - large banks in Sweden



Source: Kantar SIFO. www.kantarsifo.se/rapporter-undersokningar/anseendeindex-foretag-2018

## Handelsbanken in brief Highest credit rating globally

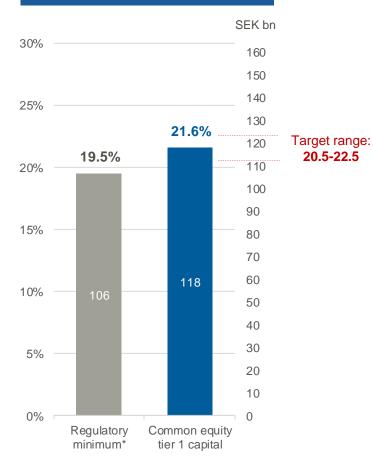
- S&P changed outlook to Stable from Negative in March 2017
- Highest rating in Europe by Fitch and Moody's among all peer banks
- Highest rating globally when combining Fitch, Moody's and S&P's ratings

	Fitch	Moody's	S&P
Handelsbanken	AA	Aa2	AA-
DZ Bank	AA-	Aa1	AA-
Oversea-Chinese Banking Corp	AA-	Aa1	AA-
United Overseas Bank	AA-	Aa1	AA-
DBS Group	AA-	Aa2	
TD Bank	AA-	Aa2	AA-
Royal Bank of Canada	AA	A1	AA-
HSBC Bank	AA-	Aa3	AA-
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	AA-	Aa3	AA-
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	AA-	Aa3	AA-
National Australia Bank	AA-	Aa3	AA-
Westpac	AA-	Aa3	AA-
Nordea	AA-	Aa3	AA-
OP Group		Aa3	AA-
Swedbank	AA-	Aa2	AA-
DNB		Aa2	A+
Rabobank	AA-	Aa3	A+
SEB	AA-	Aa2	A+
UBS	AA-	Aa3	A+
Scotiabank	AA-	A1	A+

Source: SNL Financials, May 2018. Corporate LT Rating.

## Handelsbanken in brief Financial stability

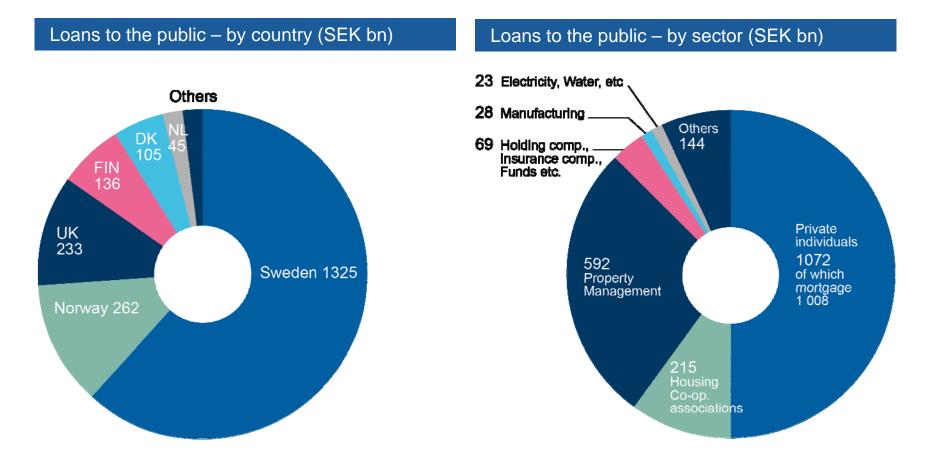
CET1 ratio Q1 2018



Capital CRR/CRD IV, %	31 Mar 2018	31 Dec 2017	Change
Capital ratio, %	28.3	28.3	0%-points
Tier 1 ratio, %	23.7	25.0	-1.3%-points
Common equity tier 1 ratio, %	21.6	22.7	-1.1%-points
Total own funds, SEK bn Common equity tier 1 capital, SEK bn	154.6 117.7	144.1 115.8	+10.5 +1.9
Leverage ratio, %	4.3	4.6	-0.3%-points
Liquidity	31 Mar 2018		
LCR	142%		
NSFR	102%		

# Handelsbanken in brief

SEK 2 143bn (31 March 2018)



Source: Handelsbanken 2018 Q1-Report, page 42 and Fact book 2018 Q1, page 26.



## Handelsbanken in brief Growth in all home markets

## Q1 2018 compared to Q1 2017, local currency

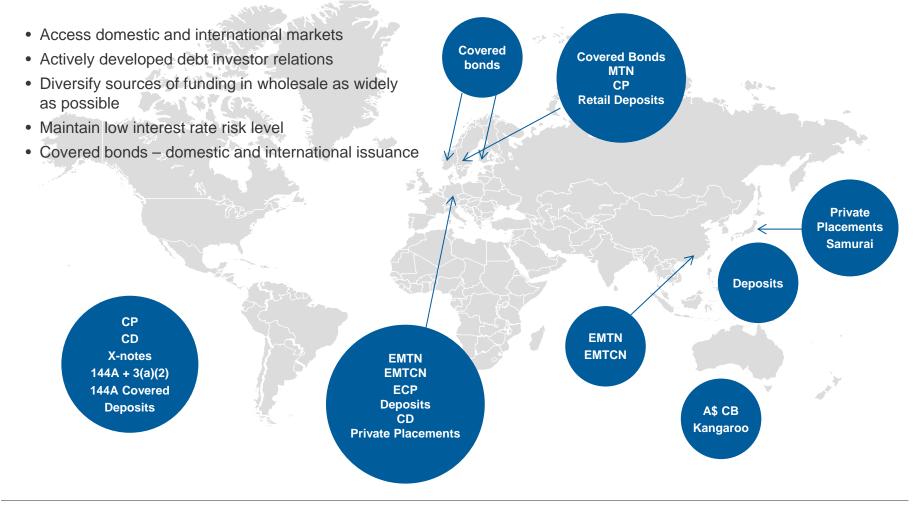
	Lending*	Deposits*	Net fee and commissior income, adjusted for MIFID 2 effects**
Sweden	6%	10%	-1%
UK	11%	18%	17%
Denmark	3%	13%	4%
Finland	0%	3%	7%
Norway	5%	-8%	1%
The Netherlands	21%	41%	15%
Home markets (based on reported in SEK)	7%	11%	3%

\*\* Fee and commission income in Sweden, Finland and Norway adjusted for changed accouting of asset management fees in regards to MIFID 2.

15 Fee and commission income in Sweden, Finland and N Source: Handelsbanken 2018 Q1-Report, page 10-21.

# Handelsbanken in brief Group funding strategy

### Handelsbanken and Stadshypotek



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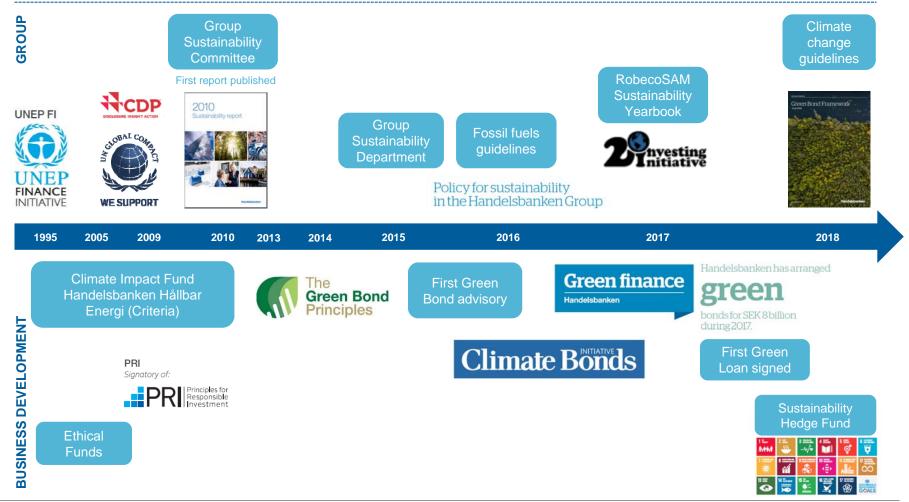
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# Sustainability at Handelsbanken Sustainability timeline

Selected milestones



Source: Handelsbanken Sustainability Reports 2010 - 2017, Handelsbanken Annual Reports 1995 - 2017.

# Sustainability at Handelsbanken Integration of sustainability

F	Responsible Lending		Si	ustainable Investment
Environmental Impact	Attractive Employer	Responsible B	uyer	Community Engagement
Financial stability Low loan losses Responsible tax payer				

Source: Handelsbanken Sustainability Report 2017.

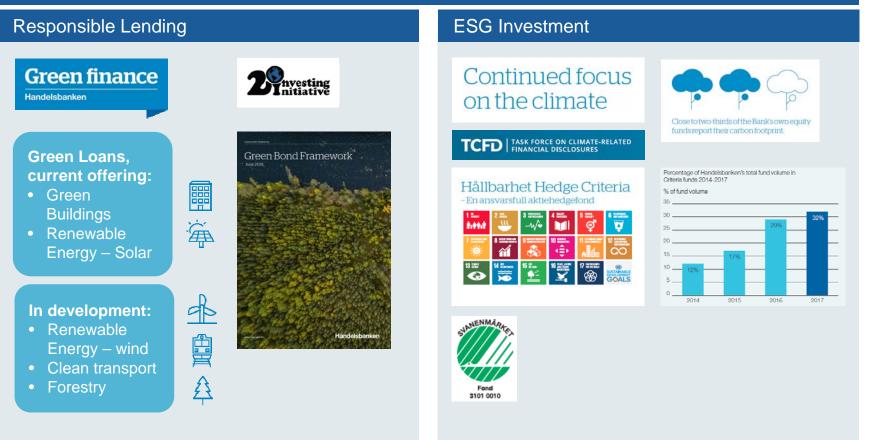
# Sustainability at Handelsbanken Direct Impact

Environmental	Attractive	Responsible	Community
Impact	Employer	Buyer	Engagement
<ul> <li>Since 2013</li> <li>42% reduction in total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions</li> <li>44% reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions/employee</li> <li>21% reduction in electricity/ employee</li> <li>Compensates for all reported CO<sub>2</sub> emissions</li> </ul>	<text><section-header></section-header></text>	<section-header><section-header><list-item><list-item><list-item></list-item></list-item></list-item></section-header></section-header>	<text><list-item><list-item><list-item><list-item><list-item><list-item></list-item></list-item></list-item></list-item></list-item></list-item></text>

# Sustainability at Handelsbanken

### Group policies and guidelines:

Sustainability, Climate change, Environment, Armament and defense, Forestry and farming



## Sustainability at Handelsbanken

# Handelsbanken and the Sustainable Development Goals

set by the UN in Agenda 2030



#### Handelsbanken works towards the following SDG: Goal 5: Gender equality Goal 8: Decent work and economic growth Goal 9: Industry, innovation and infrastructure Goal 11: Sustainable cities and communities Goal 13: Climate action Goal 16: Peace, justice and strong institutions

Source: Handelsbanken Sustainability Report 2017, page 44.

### Sustainability at Handelsbanken

# How sustainability analysts assess Handelsbanken

	2017	2016	2015
RobecoSAM	80	82	73
Sustainability Yearbook Member*	$\checkmark$		
Sustainalytics	78	71	69
MSCI ESG Rating	А	А	А

\* Handelsbanken was included in the RobecoSAM Sustainability Yearbook as a "Sustainability Yearbook Member" both 2017 and 2018, which means that Handelsbanken scored in the top 15% of all the banks in the world.

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## Responsible lending Sustainability in the credit process

Expanded assessment and documentation of sustainability aspects cover the majority of credit limit volumes granted to companies in the Bank

- Sustainability aspects, such as environmental risks, are a vital part of the Bank's credit policy.
- Procedures for assessing sustainability risk in connection with lending to companies, updated in 2017.
- Sector guidelines excludes financing of:
  - new mining of coal or new coal power plants
  - projects where negative environmental impact is deemed too high
  - companies involved in the manufacture or trade of biological weapons, chemical weapons, anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions and nuclear weapons.

Source: Handelsbanken website: www.handelsbanken.se/csreng

## Responsible lending Green finance

Currently, Handelsbanken offers Green Loans to its corporate clients in Sweden

# **Green finance**

## Handelsbanken

In development:

- Renewable Energy wind
- Clean Transport
- Forestry

- Green Buildings
- Renewable Energy Solar

Source: Handelsbanken Sustainability Report 2017, page 21.

## Responsible lending Handelsbanken Green Bond

As a financial institution, Handelsbanken has a vital role to play in the long-term fulfilment of the Sustainable Development Goals

- Handelsbanken's Green Bond Framework is consistent with the Green Bond Principles 2017
- An independent evaluation of the Green Bond Framework has been carried out by CICERO (Center for International Climate Research)
- The Green Bond Framework targets seven of the Sustainable Development Goals



Source: Handelsbanken Green Bond Framework 2018. CICERO "Second Opinion" on Handelsbanken's Green Bond Framework, June 2018.

# Responsible lending Second Opinion by CICERO

"Handelsbanken's Green Bond Framework receives a Dark Green shading."\*

- "Handelsbanken has in place a very strong governance structure in its green bond framework."
- "The issuer applies a conservative approach to screening assets."
- "The framework also includes ambitious reporting."



\* CICERO Second Opinions are graded "dark green", "medium green" or "light green", reflecting the climate and environmental ambitions of the bonds. Source: CICERO "Second Opinion" on Handelsbanken's Green Bond Framework, June 2018.



# **The four pillars of the Green Bond Framework**

### Use of Proceeds

- Clean Transportation
- Environmentally Sustainable Management of Living Natural Resources
- Green Buildings
- Pollution Prevention
   and Control
- Renewable Energy
- Sustainable Water and Wastewater Management

Process for Project Evaluation and Selection





#### Investors Ceisen Bord Handeblanteen Handeblanteen Green Assets Eiglide Green Assets Eiglide Green Assets Eiglide Green Assets

## Reporting and transparency

#### Annual Impact report

- Allocation to Use of Proceeds categories
- Performance Reporting, including calculated greenhouse gas reduction, energy production and energy savings

Source: Handelsbanken Green Bond Framework 2018.

## Responsible lending Green Bond Framework - scope

### **Eligible Green Assets**

Loans identified on Handelsbanken's balance sheet that support the transition to low carbon intensity and sustainable development.

#### **Geographical scope**

The net proceeds will be used exclusively to finance or refinance loans and investments in Handelsbanken's home markets.

#### **Global Criteria**

All Eligible Green Assets are to contribute to Mitigation, Adaptation and/or Environment and Eco-systems.

#### **Exclusions**

Assets in the Green Registry will not be linked to:

- Fossil energy generation
- Nuclear energy generation
- Research and/or development within armament and defense
- Potentially environmentally negative resource extraction (such as rare-earth elements or fossil fuels)
- Gambling, alcohol, adult entertainment or tobacco

## Responsible lending Eligible Green Assets

The net proceeds will be used by Handelsbanken to finance or refinance loans and investments that promote the transition to low-carbon, climate resilient and sustainable economies, as well as environmental and ecosystem improvements.



Source: Handelsbanken Green Bond Framework 2018. CICERO "Second Opinion" on Handelsbanken's Green Bond Framework, June 2018.

#### **Responsible lending**

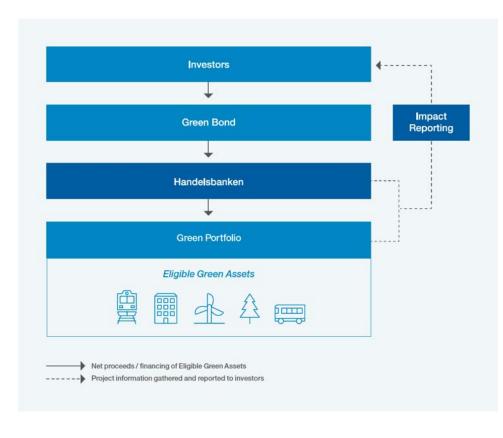
## **Process for Project Evaluation and Selection**



- Assets compliant with applicable national laws and regulations, Handelsbanken's policies and guidelines
- The local branches nominate new and existing loans within the eligible green use of proceeds categories to the Green Finance Committee
- An assessment and analysis is performed on both the asset and the client.
- The information gathered in the approval process is recorded along with loan and ESG information in a database.

**Use of Proceeds Selection** Management of Proceeds Transparency Source: Handelsbanken Green Bond Framework 2018. Handelsbanken

## Responsible lending Management of Proceeds



- An amount equal to the net proceeds of any issue under the Green Bond Framework will be credited to an earmarked portfolio managed by Group Treasury.
- Deductions will be made from the Green Portfolio by an amount corresponding to the financing or refinancing of Eligible Green Assets.
- If an Eligible Green Asset no longer qualifies according to the Green Terms, an amount equal to the funds will be re-credited to the Green Portfolio.
- Net proceeds may be reallocated to other Eligible Green Assets by the Treasury at any time during the term of a Green Bond.
- Group Treasury will keep a record of the purpose of any change in the Green Portfolio.

Use of Proceeds

Selection

**Management of Proceeds** 

Transparency

## **Responsible lending** Impact Reporting and Transparency

Handelsbanken will publish a yearly impact report on its website that will detail the allocation of green bond net proceeds and adherence to the Green Terms. The first such reporting is expected to take place in April 2019.

### **Performance Reporting**

- The reporting will contain a disclosure of asset level performance indicators.
- Handelsbanken will emphasis energy production/savings and greenhouse gas savings as the most relevant performance metrics for most project types.

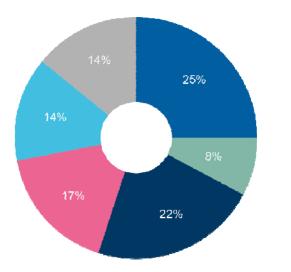
## Indicative Key Performance Indicators (some examples):

- Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions
- Yearly energy production
- Reduction in energy use



## Responsible lending Handelsbanken Green Bond

Indicative composition and estimated impact



Key Performance Indicator	Estimated impact
Annually treated wastewater (m <sup>3</sup> )	1 428 000
Annually supplied freshwater (m <sup>3</sup> )	2 808 643
Sustainable Forestry (hectares)	21 503
Annual energy saving (MWh)	3 287
Annual energy generation (MWh)	473 568
Annual GHG emissions avoided/reduced (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	120 831

- Clean transportation
- Environmentally sustainable management of living natural resources
- Green buildings
- Pollution prevention and control
- Renewable energy
- Sustainable water and wastewater management

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## Responsible lending Examples of projects

**Clean Transportation** 

## AB Östgötatrafiken



Public Transport Country: Sweden www.ostgotatrafiken.se

Electric public transport with 1,290,000 estimated passengers per year

## Wanås Gods AB

resources

Environmental Sustainable Management of living natural



Sustainable Forestry Country: Sweden www.godset.wanas.se

FSC/PEFC certified forests, 3,200 hectares

### **Green Buildings**

## Fabege



Project name: Solna Signalen 3 Country: Sweden www.fabege.se

Office building certified BREEAM-SE Excellent, 31,000 m<sup>2</sup>

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## Responsible lending Examples of projects

Pollution Prevention and Control

### Mölndal Energi AB



Waste to Energy (Combined Heat and Power Plant) Project name: Riskullaverket Country: Sweden www.molndalenergi.se

Fossil free waste-to-energy plant producing 275,000 MWh of renewable energy per year Renewable Energy

### Karlskoga Energi & Miljö AB



Hydro Energy Project name: Karlskoga Vattenkraft AB Country: Sweden www.karlskogaenergi.se

Refurbishment of 24 small scale hydro electric plants

Sustainable Water and Wastewater Management

### Huittisten Puhdistamo OY



Water treatment plant Project name: Huittinen Water Treatment Plant Country: Finland www.huittistenpuhdistamo.fi

Modernisation of water treatment plant, increasing water treating capacity by 7.9 million m<sup>3</sup> per year.

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