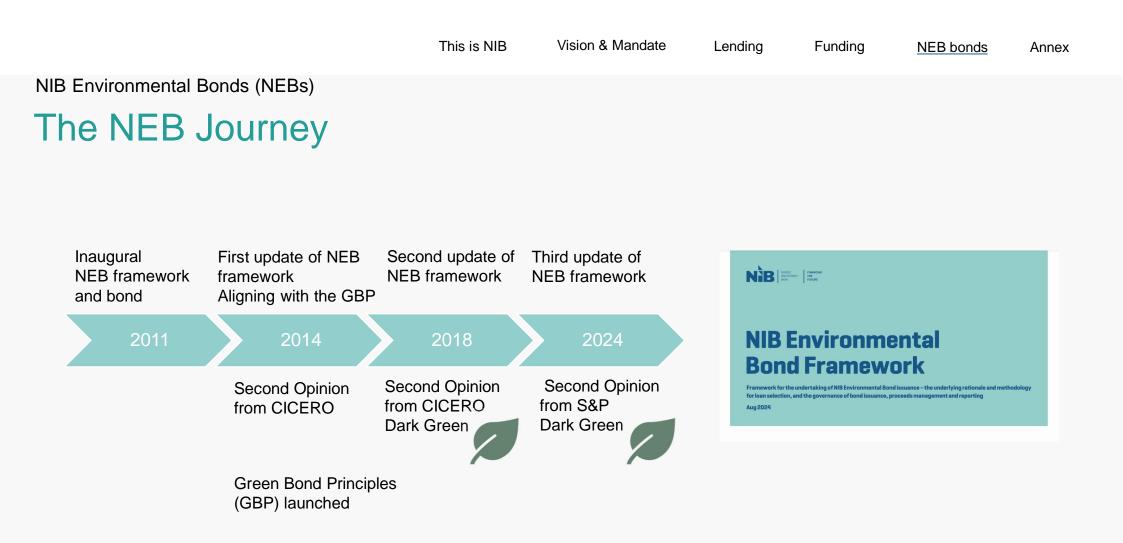


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NIB has provided financing to Danish energy company Norlys for investments in new wind power capacity during 2023-2027. EUR 210mn, 3.5 years, excellent mandate rating for environment

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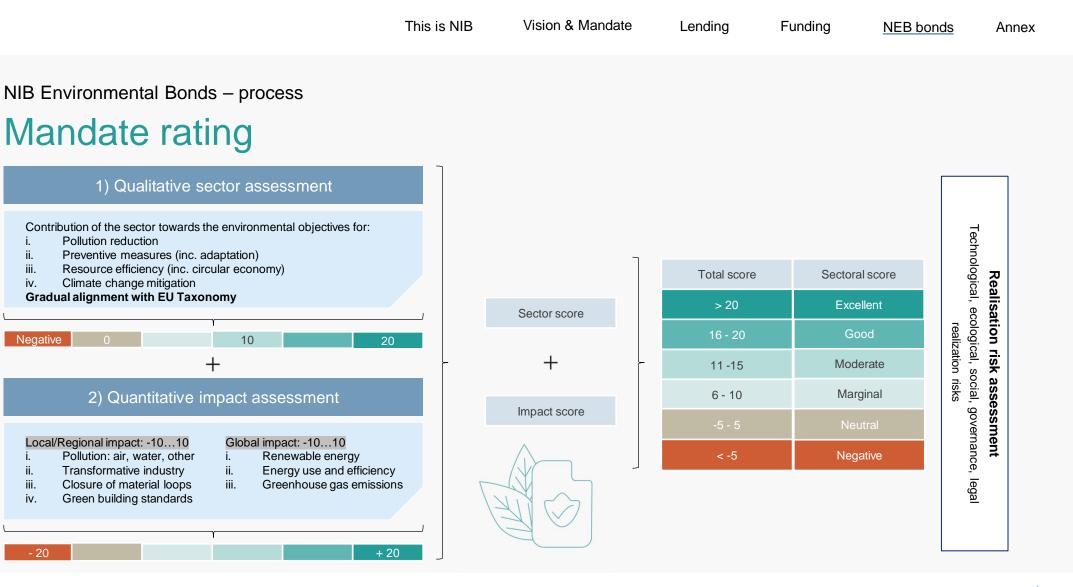
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#### NIB Environmental bonds - process

### Project evaluation and selection

ESG Review	Mandate Rating	Rating Scale	Project categories	NEB Fund Pool	Reporting	Ex-post assessment
We confirm:	Environmental benefits		We confirm projects' eligibility against a set of criteria within	Straight link between NEB	Annual Report on the allocation of	Three years after project
that there are	Pollution reduction	Excellent	the following project	proceeds and	NEB proceeds	implementation,
no significant	<ul> <li>Preventive measures</li> </ul>	Good	categories:	disbursements to	and the impact	NIB will assess
environmental,	Resource efficiency	Moderate	Renewable energy	eligible projects.	of projects	the fulfilment
social or	<ul><li>(incl. circular economy</li><li>Climate change</li></ul>	J	<ul><li>generation</li><li>Sustainable fuel production</li></ul>		financed. Limited Assurance	of the Bank's mandate and
governance risks connected	mitigation	Neutral Negative	and infrastructure		Report by KPMG	realisation
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#### NIB Environmental Bonds – framework

### Eligible categories

1.	RENEWABLE ENERGY	GBP category	EU TSC alignment objective	Sector covered by NIB climate strategy	Main SDGs
a. b. c. d. e. f.	Electricity generation from wind turbines, solar, ocean energy, and hydropower plants. Electricity or heat generation from geothermal installations. Electricity or heat generation based on advanced bioenergy feedstock. <sup>1</sup> Heat generation based on green or waste heat. Electricity transmission, distribution and storage, expansion or upgrades. District heating and cooling networks, including storages.	Renewable Energy	Climate change mitigation	Yes	7 ATORENALE AND ELAN INFRATV EXC. 13 CAMANE ACTION
2.	SUSTAINABLE FUEL PRODUCTION AND INFRASTRUCTURE				
a. b.	Production of green hydrogen and green anhydrous ammonia and its infrastructure. Production or processing of biofuels and biogas based on advanced feedstock. <sup>1</sup>	Renewable Energy	Climate change mitigation	No	7 Affordulet And LEAN FREET
3.	CLEAN TRANSPORT				
Zero	carbon emission vehicles and supporting infrastructure	Clean transport	Climate change mitigation	Yes	

<sup>1</sup> As defined in Part A of Annex IX of the EU Renewable Energy Directive, including feedstock from (a) to (p) but excluding (g) related to palm oil, (DIRECTIVE (EU) 2018/ 2001 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL - of 11 December 2018 - on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources (europa.eu)

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## **Eligible categories**

4.	GREEN BUILDINGS	GBP category	EU TSC alignment objective	Sector covered by NIB climate strategy	Main SDGs
a. b.	Construction of new buildings: Green buildings certified according to LEED Platinum or BREEAM Excellent or Outstanding and aligned with EU Taxonomy TSC and DNSH criteria (including LCA analysis) and passive houses. Major renovations: Refurbishment of buildings leading to an improvement of two Energy Performance Certificate levels (EPC) at least to EPC B. <sup>2</sup>	Green buildings	Climate change mitigation	Yes	
5.	WATER MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION				
a. b.	Wastewater collection and treatment to reduce discharges <sup>3</sup> Protection of water resources with the aim of minimising groundwater extraction and contamination and improving the replenishment of aquifers.	Sustainable water and wastewater management	Sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources	No	6 CLEANNING AND LANDING AND LA
6.	CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION				
	Improvements of stormwater and flood protection systems Projects that strengthen resilience and adaptation to climate change	Climate change adaptation	Climate change adaptation	No	13 слиме
7.	SUSTAINABLE TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION, MANUFACTURING AND CCS				
	Investment in R&D to meet objects of this framework and NIB's climate policy Carbon capture and storage (CCS) (permanent geological storage) and infrastructure <sup>4</sup>	Pollution prevention and control	Climate change mitigation	Partly	13 RHWR C

<sup>2</sup> Improvements of two EPC classes indicate 40–60% energy improvement. <sup>3</sup> This is intended only for public applications (no industrial applications or fossil-fuel transport infrastructure). <sup>4</sup> CCS directly from fossil fuel- based energy installations excluded

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#### NIB Environmental Bonds – framework

### Update to the framework in August 2024

✓ Climate Strategy

- Allocation criteria to include counterparty ESG performance
- ✓ EU taxonomy assessment and alignment
- ✓ Category mapping versus GBP<sup>1</sup>, SDGs<sup>2</sup>, EU taxonomy and NIB Climate Strategy

OLD FRAMEWORK	NEW FRAMEWORK	MODIFICATIONS
Renewable Energy	Renewable Energy	Transmission, distribution and storage systems are included in the category
Transmission, distribution and storage systems	Sustainable fuel production and infrastructure	New category
Clean transport solutions	Clean transportation	No major modifications
Water management and protection	Water management and protection	Split in "water management and protection" and "climate change adaptation"
Green buildings	Green buildings	New buildings aligned with EU taxonomy's SC and DNSH and major renovations
Resources and Waste management	Climate change adaptation	Old framework category discontinued, new category
Energy efficiency	Sustainable technology innovation, sustainable manufacturing and carbon capture storage	Old framework category discontinued, new category

<sup>1</sup>Green Bond Principles (ICMA), Sustainable Development Goals

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### Governance

#### Sustainability and Mandate Rating Unit

Identifies and pre-selects eligible loans

Sustainability Review Mandate Rating

#### Mandate and Credit Committee

Approves eligibility of pre-selected loans for NIB Environmental Bonds (NEB) loan pool



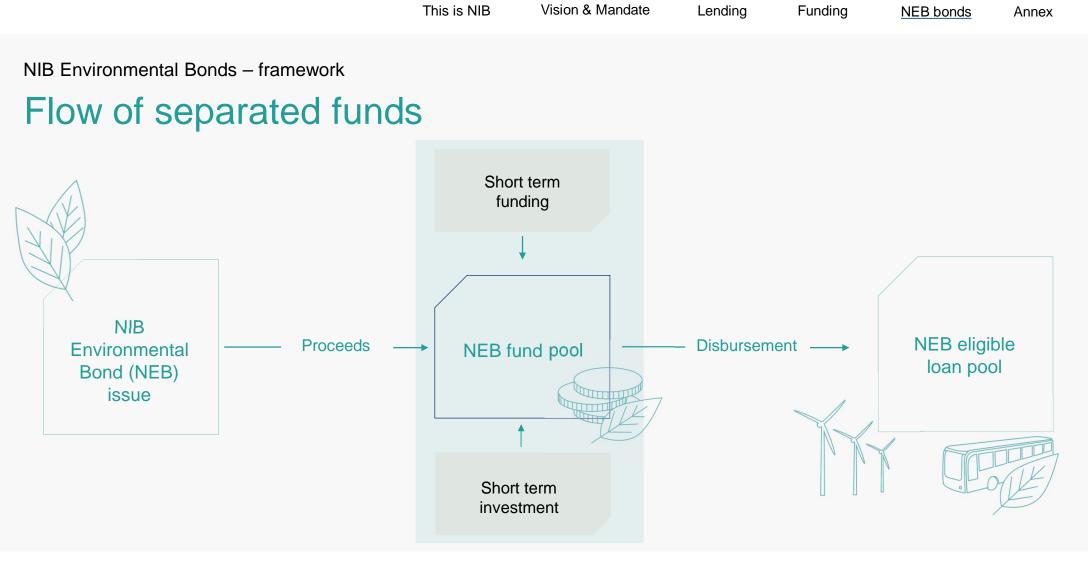
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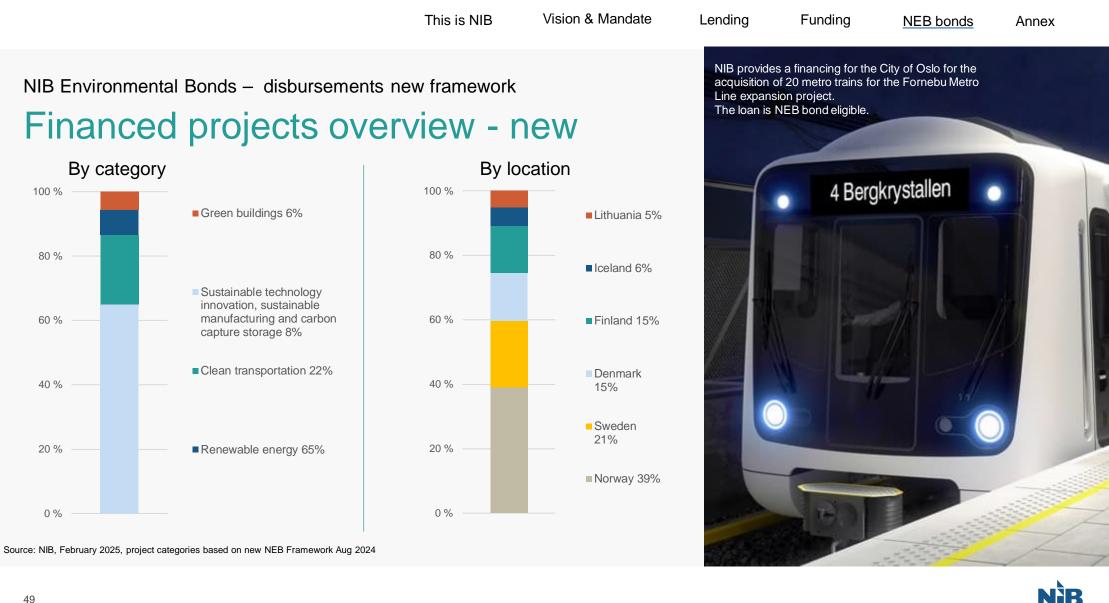
Issues NIB Environmental Bonds

Manages NEB liquidity pool









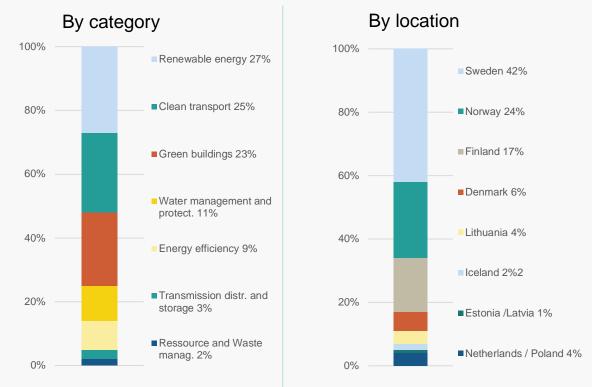
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NIB Environmental Bonds – disbursements old framework 2011-2024

### Financed projects overview – old



Source: NIB, project categories based on old NEB Framework February 2025



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#### NIB Environmental Bonds - impact reporting (new framework)

### Impact of NEB-financed projects 2024

Pro-rated to NIB's share of financing. Shows the share of impact for each category from disbursements allocated to the NEB pool during 2024.

Green buildings	m <sup>2</sup> certifies gross floor are	6 210
11 amounters	Number of buildings	1
	Number of projects	1
Renewable energy	tCO <sub>2</sub> e/a avoided	191 360
	MW renewable energy capacity	220
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🔆 🐼	MWh increased storage	0
	Number of projects	12
Clean transportation	Passenger km or tonne km	0
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Water management and protection	Wastewater collected and treated,	0
Water management and protection	PE	0
6 CHARWER 73 CM 74 HEAVER 75 CM 75 CM 7	Projects	0

Sustainable fuel production and infrastructure		0
Climate change adaptation	Number of projects	0
Sustainable technology innovation, manufacturing and carbon capture storage		0 4

Source: NIB Annual Report 2024, Impact & Sustainability Project-specific impact data and NIB's methodology for assessing impact is published on our NEB website, based on outstanding loans

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#### NIB Environmental Bonds - impact reporting (old framework)

### Impact of NEB-financed projects 2011-24 (1)

Pro-rated to NIB's share of financing. Shows the share of impact for each category from disbursements allocated to the NEB pool during 2024.

		2011-24 total	2024	2024 in per cent of total
Green buildings	m <sup>2</sup> gross floor area	406 400	0	0%
	MWh/a own carbon neutral energy generation	1 220	0	0%
Renewable energy generation	tCO <sub>2</sub> e/a avoided	1 054 420	104 620	10%
	MW added capacity	1 080	100	9%
	MWh/a added generation	2 851 180	304 430	11%
Clean transport solutions	tCO <sub>2</sub> e/a avoided	70 790	0	0%
Water management and protection	PE added wastewater treatment capacity	580 050	0	0%
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Source: NIB Annual Report 2024, Impact & Sustainability Project-specific impact data and NIB's methodology for assessing impact is published on our NEB website, based on outstanding loans

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#### NIB Environmental Bonds - impact reporting (old framework)

### Impact of NEB-financed projects 2011-24 (2)

Pro-rated to NIB's share of financing. Shows the share of impact for each category from disbursements allocated to the NEB pool during 2024.

		2011-24 total	2024	2024 in per cent of total
Transmission, distribution and storage systems	MW connected renewable transmission capacity	2 930	0	0%
7 <b>Compare</b> <b>1</b> 3 CM <b>C</b>				
Energy efficiency	MWh/a energy savings	117 795	990	1%
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Resources and waste management	t/a waste treated	97 200	0	0%
systems	MWh/a energy recovered from waste	597 650	0	0%
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Nordic Baltic Blue Bonds				
Water management and protection	PE added wastewater treatment capacity	404 140	0	0%
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#### NIB Environmental Bonds – impact reporting

### EU Taxonomy alignment assessment

Screening of NEB project categories against EU taxonomy

#### Screening on category level

EU taxonomy eligibility and alignment of projects within a category

Assessment separately for Substantial Contribution (SC) and Do No Significant Harm (DNSH)

Framework requires full SC for all categories and projects, for buildings also DNSH

### Alignment assessment on project level

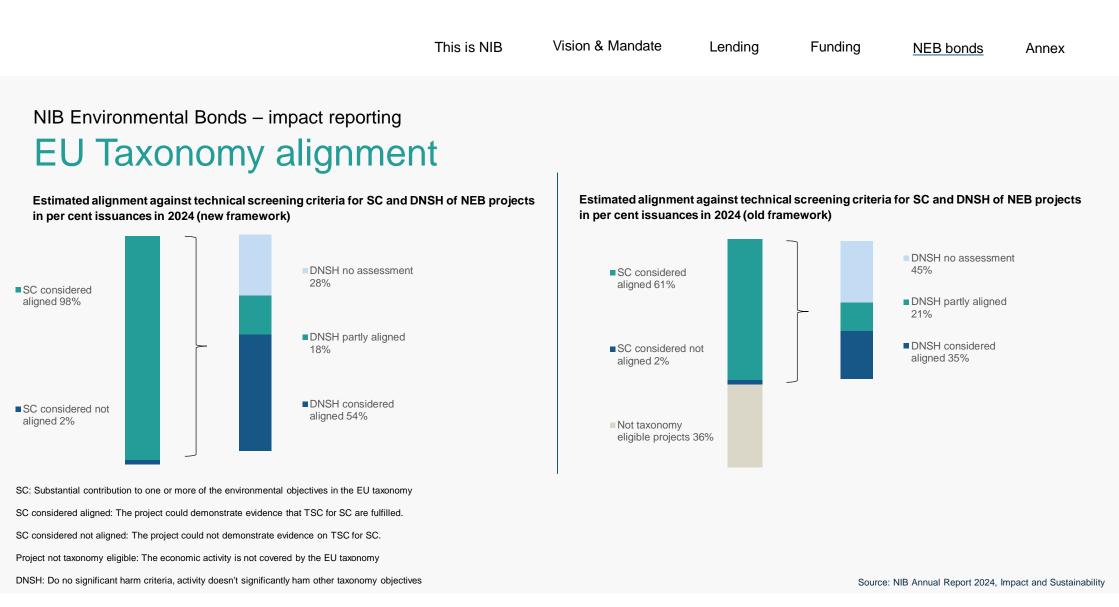
Collection of information from borrowers during loan due diligence

DNSH – information challenge, but situation is improving through regulatory and voluntary reporting improvements

Minimum Social Safeguards (MSS): projects in EU countries and NIB internal polices and processes



NIB provides financing for electric city buses to be operated in Greater Helsinki, Oulu and Turku areas in Finland. The loan is NEB bond eligible





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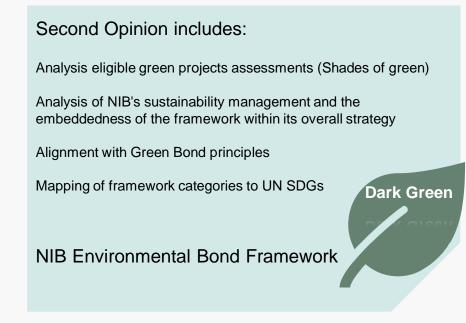
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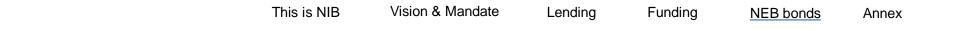
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#### Shades of green assessment

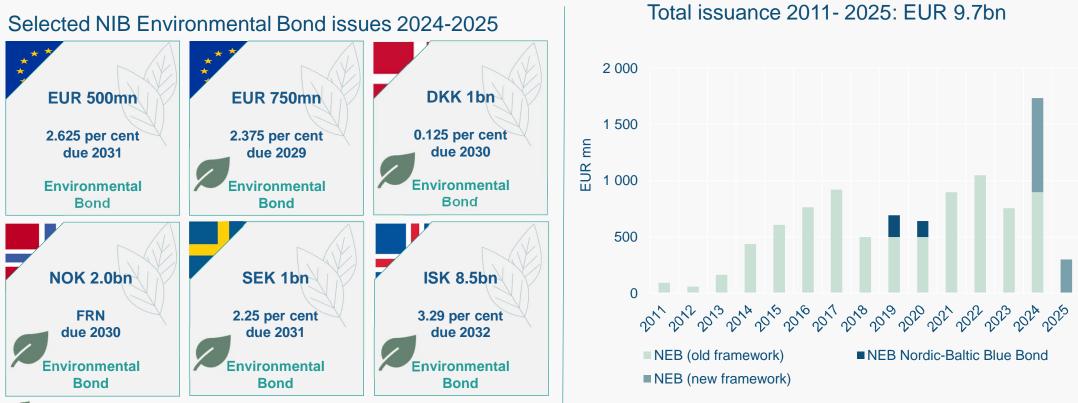
Framework Categories	
Renewable energy	Dark Green
Sustainable fuel production and infrastructure	Dark to medium green
Clean transportation	Dark green
Green buildings	Medium to light green
Water management and protection	Medium green
Climate change adaption	Dark green
Sustainable technology innovation, manufacturing and CCS	Dark to medium green

S&P Second Party Opinion , 30 August 2024



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#### Issuance overview



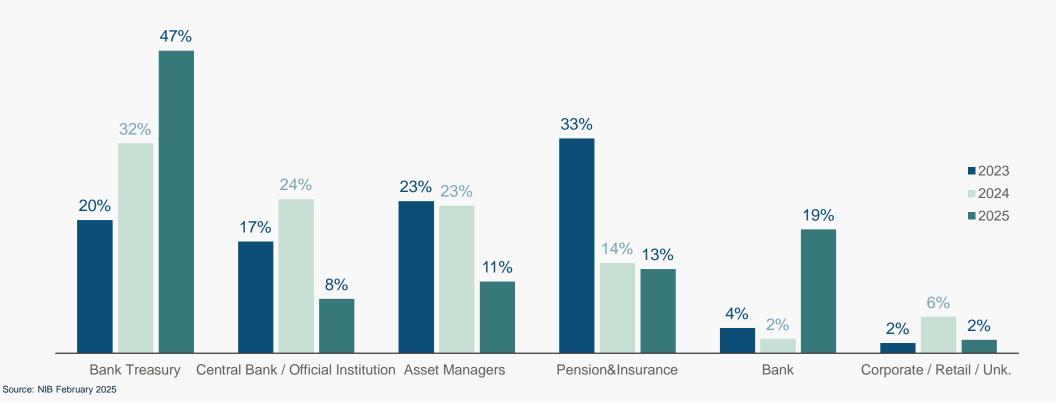
NEB issued under new framework

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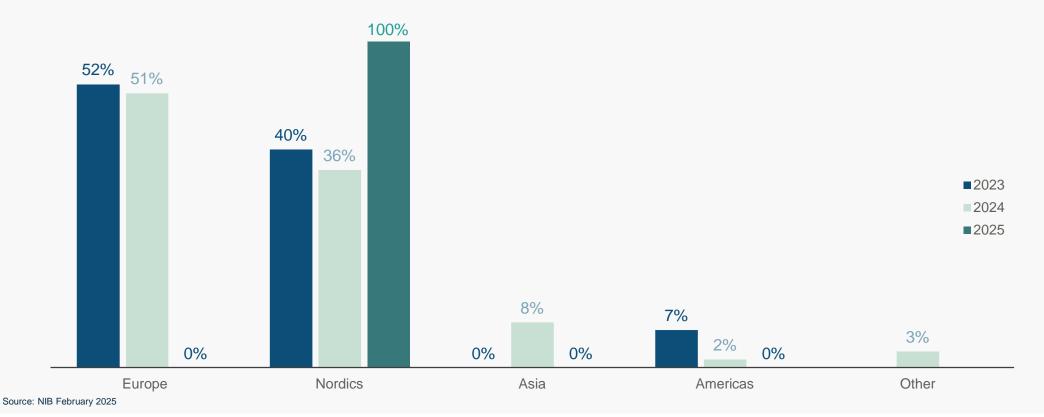
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### **Investor location distribution**



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Accumulated issued bonds excluding matured bonds and accumulated disbursements excluding fully repaid loans

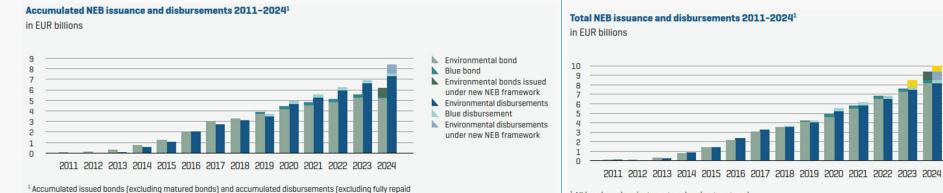
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### Issuance and disbursement overview



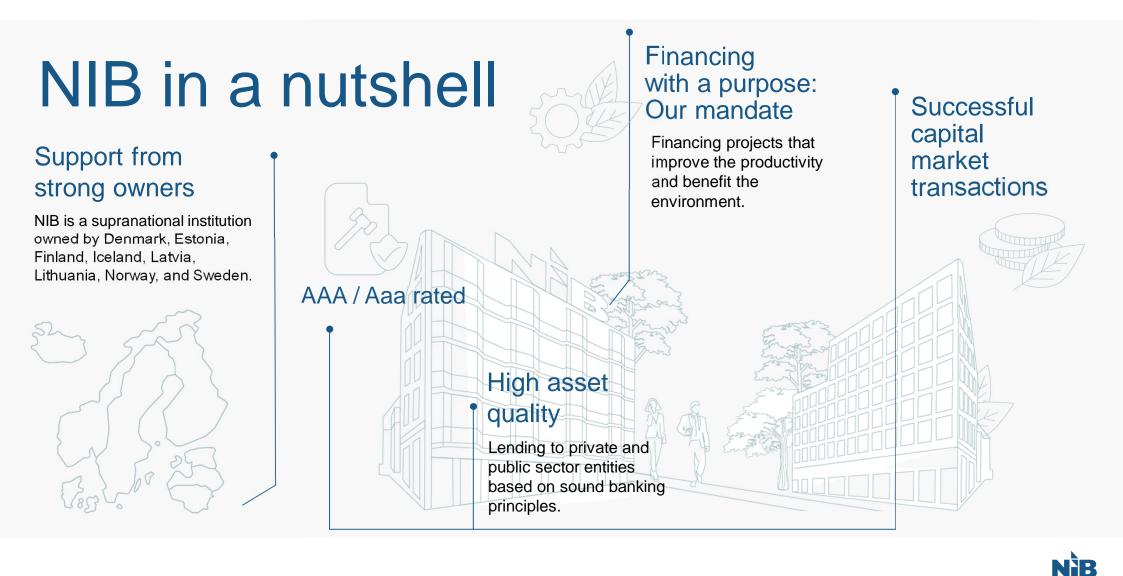
 Blue bond
 Environmental bonds issued under new NEB framework
 Environmental disbursement
 Disbursed but not yet covered by NEBs
 Environmental disbursements under new NEB framework

Environmental bond

<sup>1</sup> All bonds and projects matured and not matured. Old NEB framework Dec 2018-Aug 2024, new NEB framework valid from Aug 2024.

Source: NIB Annual Report 2024

All bonds and projects matured and not matured



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