

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT 2016

Kommunalbanken



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1. Exchange rate 1 USD= 8.6 NOK,

2. From projects within categories Energy Efficiency & Low-carbon Transportation

3. From projects within categories New Green buildings & Renewable energy

4. 18 893 473 kWh energy reduced from energy efficiency measures; 9 003 970 kWh energy avoided in New green buildings.

DEAR READER

We are proud to present to you the first edition of KBN's environmental impact report.



Our ambitions are reflected in our Green Bond Framework and the accompanying project selection criteria, both updated in 2016. The documents set a high standard for eligible projects, for KBN's internal governance of green bonds and green loans and the presentation of the impact from our green loans. Our eight categories of eligible green loan projects are preesented on page 4. You may read more about our governance structures and governing documents on page 6.

With the report we aim to provide insight into the environmental benefits of the projects funded through KBN's green bonds. The report compiles impact and benefits from 64 projects funded by KBN's green loans up to the end of 2016. The projects range from very small and local in impact to some of the larger ongoing Norwegian infrastructure projects. The amount disbursed to one single project ranges from NOK 4.7 million (546 500 USD) to NOK 5.27 billion (613 million USD). Total value of outstanding green loans was 9.71 billion NOK (1.13 billion USD) at year-end. The weighted average maturity of our Green Loans is 19.9 years. Average remaining maturity of our current Green Loan portfolio is 16.5 years.

Projects funded by KBN green loans represent steps – small or great – towards the low-emission, resource-efficient society Norway has committed to become within the next decades. Our objective is that our green loans funded projects of today is compatible with the low-carbon society envisioned for 2050. This objective is in line with Norway's nationally determined contribution to the Paris Agreement, commiting us to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 40 percent compared to 1990 levels by 2030⁵. It appears, however, that a changing climate is inevitable regardless of the efforts made today. Recognizing this, we emphasise the importance of projects aiming to improve climate resilience, protect biodiversity, or otherwise prepare human societies and our environment of the challenges ahead. The impact of these projects may not be possible to quantify but is of immense value nonetheless.

In 2013, KBN was one of the first European green bond issuers. Today, three issuances later, we are determined to continue working for a green bond market marked by ever greater transparency and integrity. We hope the report will be of use to international investors and Norwegian local government decision makers alike.

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KOMMUNALBANKEN NORWAY

Kommunalbanken Norway (KBN) finances important welfare services through providing credit to the local authorities in Norway. KBN's mandate is to provide the local government sector with stable and cost efficient longterm financing. KBN's lending to the local government sector is funded by issuing securities in the international capital markets, maintaining the highest possible credit rating of AAA/Aaa. Measured by total assets, KBN is Norway's third largest financial institution with loans to nearly all of the country's municipalities. KBN is a wholly owned state company. Our vision is to be a long-term partner for local welfare.

PROJECT CATEGORIES

Following KBN Green Bond Framework updated in June 2016, Green Loans may be granted to eight different categories of projects:

RENEWABLE ENERGY

Investments in this category are intended to reap the energy potential of the sun, the wind, the ground, the sea, biomaterials and other renewable energy carriers, and thereby to replace energy produced from fossil fuels and other energy sources that produce greenhouse gases. Projects include solar farms, geothermal wells, wind farms, wave power plants, fossil-fuel-free district heating plants.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Projects within this category reduce the energy requirements of existing buildings and phase out their use of fossil energy sources. Examples of projects include energy-conservation measures such as fitting additional insulation, replacing windows, installing hot-water heating, heat pumps, and central operational control systems. Renovating buildings to improve their energy efficiency. Replacing oil and gas boilers.

NEW GREEN BUILDINGS

The category includes new, climate-smart and energy efficient buildings. Eligible projects may satisfy industry norms of 'energy-plus' or 'near-zero energy' buildings or receive the grading 'Excellent' or 'Outstanding' on the BREEAM-NOR classification system. Alternately, the building has a verifiable energy demand that is 20 percent lower than in a built-to-code reference project. In the assessment of a project's eligibility, the environmental profile of building materials is also taken into consideration.

LOW-CARBON TRANSPORTATION

Transport solutions that produce minimal or zero emissions, with no fossil fuels used. Examples of projects are public transportation systems, pedestrian- and cycle paths, bicycle parks, charging points for electric vehicles, fueling stations for renewable fuels, purchase of non-fossil run vehicles for municipal vehicle fleet.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Investments in this category are intended to ensure sustainable, energy efficient and resource-saving waste management. Eligible projects include the construction of new or ambitious reconstruction of existing waste management facilities; biogas plants, waste collection systems that minimise transport requirements, garbage trucks that run on renewable fuels, and carbon capture plants.

WATER AND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT

The purpose of projects in this category is to construct water and wastewater systems that are dimensioned to accommodate population growth and higher precipitation levels, and that apply innovative technologies to make good use of the resources contained in wastewater. Examples of projects are significant upgrades to water and wastewater networks, water treatment plants, treatment of discharges to waterourses, construction of biogas plants, and investment in energy and heat recovery from water and wastewater networks.

SUSTAINABLE LAND USE

This category covers a range of projects that intend to ensure sustainable use of land. This may include projects such as restoration of biodiversity, planting forests, cleaning up of POPs and other pollutants, developing land into recreational space, facilitating walking, cycling and public transportation solutions.

CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION

Investments in this category are intended to improve local adaptation to climate change. This includes facilities and installations to manage urban runoff, floods, landslides, avalanches, rising sea levels, and other challenges due to changed weather and climate conditions.

CORE PRINCIPLES OF KBN IMPACT REPORTING



The reporting of environmental impact from projects financed by KBN's green bonds adhere to the following core principles:

- 1. KBN's impact calculations correspond to it's share of financing
- 2. We apply Norwegian codes & regulations as the baseline of our impact calculations.
- 3. We base our calculations on ex ante data
- 4. Our reporting covers scope 1&2 emissions and emission reductions
- 5. We report reduced and avoided emissions separately
- 6. We consider both quantifiable and non-quantifiable impact
- 7. We align our reporting with international Green Bond standards & initiatives
- 8. We continuously strive to improve our reporting and are grateful for any comments

The principles are explained in greater detail in Appendix A.

MEASUREMENT APPROACHES

PROJECT CATEGORY	QUANTIFIABLE, DIRECT RESULT	GREENHOUSE GAS EMIS- SIONS REDUCED/AVOIDED	CONVERSION FACTOR
RENEWABLE ENERGY	kWh produced	Avoided	1 kWh = 0,380 kg CO2e
ENERGY EFFICIENCY	kWh reduced, CO2e reduced (direct emissions)	Reduced	1 kWh = 0,380 kg CO2e 1 kWh heating oil = 0,247 kg CO2e
NEW GREEN BUILDINGS	kWh avoided	Avoided	1 kWh = 0,380 kg CO2e
LOW-CARBON TRANSPORTATION	Partly CO2 and other emissions reduced or avoided	Reduced	1 fossils car km = 0,193 kg CO2e 1 electric car km = 0,076 kg CO2e
WASTE MANAGEMENT	Increase in capacity	N/A	N/A
WATER AND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT	Increase in capacity	N/A	N/A
SUSTAINABLE LAND USE	Area included	N/A	N/A
CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION	N/A	N/A	N/A

This table summarises important features of the impact reported for each project category: which quantifiable impact(s) we consider, how we include this impact in aggregation, and which conversion factors we apply. For a more thorough discussion on assumptions and methodical choices applied in this report, please refer to the section Calculation methods and core assumptions of categories in Appendix B.



KBN GREEN GOVERNANCE

ALLOCATION OF GREEN FUNDS

KBN's green bonds are only as green as the projects to which we allocate the proceeds. Recognising this, we have put substantial effort into producing a set of detailed eligibility criteria for each project category⁶ and an internal governance structure to ensure the process of assessing whether projects are eligible is fair and transparent.

Under the KBN Green Bond Framework⁷ as updated in June 2016, customers are required to apply for green loans using a formal application form that can be downloaded from our website. There are separate forms for each project category, which are designed to collect the appropriate data for each project type. Applications are evaluated by the customer's relationship manager, who files an initial recommendation of approve or reject. Our team of designated environmental controllers then assesses the application to uphold or overrule the recommendation made by the relationship manager. The environmental controllers are sustainability professionals with relevant training and experience. All decisions on applications for green loans are made with reference to the KBN Green Bonds: Supplementary guidelines for project selection, documentation and reporting. Applications are assessed

in writing to facilitate transparency and retrospective scrutiny.

The KBN Green Bonds: Supplementary guidelines for project selection, documentation and reporting were first issued in June 2016 on the basis of the knowledge available at the time. The guidelines will be updated annually to accommodate changes in regulations as well as advances in available technology and knowledge.

GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

The following documents that govern KBN's issuance of green bonds and its allocation of the proceeds are available on our website:

- KBN Green Bond Framework, updated June 2016

- KBN Green Bonds: Supplementary guidelines for project selection, documentation and reporting, updated May 2016

KBN GREEN COMMITTEE

KBN has appointed a Green Committee, an advisory group of environmental experts from academia, state institutions, and the local government sector. The mandate of the Committee includes revising and updating KBN's Green Bond Framework and Selection Criteria; strategic considerations in KBN's green funding and lending program; and providing general input and support to KBN in matters related to green finance. The Committee will start its work in the second quarter of 2017.

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6. http://www.kommunalbanken.no/media/231471/kbn-supplement-document-for-project-selection-documentation-and-reporting.pdf 7. http://www.kommunalbanken.no/media/231470/kbn-green-bondframework.pdf "Norway is committed to a target of an at least 40% reduction of greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 compared to 1990 levels»

Norway's Nationally Determined Contribution to the Paris Agreement



NEW GREEN BUILDINGS



Annual impact KBN SHARE

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	3 046 189 343 NOK
OUTSTANDING LOANS	2 708 622 604 NOK
ENERGY AVOIDED	8 976 687 кwh
GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS AVOIDED	3 421.5 TONNES OF CO2e

DESCRIPTION	KBN FINANCING (NOK)	TOTAL COST (NOK)	ESTIMATED ENERGY AVOIDED ANNUALLY <i>(KWH)</i>	BUILDING PERIOD	OTHER RESULTS
Swimming pool facility, Asker municip One of the most energy-efficient swimming pools in Norway, with innovative building techniques and technical solutions. 80% of the facility's energy consumption is provided by local renewable energy from geothermal boreholes, thermal solar panels and photovoltaic solar panels.	100% / 277 000 000 (2016)	Total: 277 000 000	Total: 2 431 390 KBN share: 2 431 390	2015- 2017	Limited number of car parking places, good arrangements for cycle and public transport access. Low carbon concrete (class B) used in construction of the building.
Kistefossdammen nursery, Asker mun The first 'plus-house' (FutureBuilt definition) building to be constructed by the public sector in Norway. 100% of energy requirement provided by local renewable energy from three geothermal boreholes and 300 m2 of high-efficiency photovoltaic solar panels integrated in the roof construction.	icipality 100% / 77 600 000 (2016)	Total: 77 600 000	Total: 125 660 KBN share: 125 660	2016- 2017	Climate gas emissions from energy consumption, building materials and transport reduced by 50% relative to a reference building satisfying the minimum building requirements. Extensive use of timber in construction of the building and its external cladding.
Ullerud health centre - Frogn municip The largest healthcare building in Norway to be constructed in mass timber. The 12,000 m ² building will accommodate 108 hospital beds, a training, mentoring and rehabilitation centre, a day centre for the elderly and a catering facility.	ality 85% / 192 307 000 (2016)	Total: 226 000 000	Total: 1 224 000 KBN share: 1 041 521	2015- 2017	The building uses 2,500 m ³ of timber. It is certified as 'VERY GOOD' by the BREEAM-NOR classification.
Åsly school - Rissa municipality New school building constructed to the 'passive-house' standard.	87% / 205 442 000 (54 342 in 2016)	Total: 235 000 000	Total: 360 720 KBN share: 315 349	2014- 2016	The school building accommodates 420 pupils and also includes a culture hall and library.
Emergency services building - Rissa in Co- location of the fire and ambulance emergency services to a single energy- efficient building.	nunicipality 67% / 30 000 000	Total: 45 000 000	Total: 103 200 KBN share: 68 800	2015- 2016	The office area of the building is constructed to the 'passive-house' standard.
a de la constante de la cons					
Odegarden nursery, Oppegard munic Nursery building constructed to the 'passive-house' standard. Heating and cooling from ground source boreholes, distributed through water-borne heating and balance ventilation system. Six sections, accommodating 100 children.	97% / 46 200 000	Total: 47 800 000	Total: 174 989 KBN share: 169 131	2013- 2014	'Green roof' covered with water collecting plants that provide insulation in the winter and a cooling effect in the summer as well as absorbing rainwater and therefore reducing discharge to the wastewater system.
Greverudåsen residences - Oppgård n	nunicipality				
Sheltered housing constructed to the 'passive-house' standard, heat provided by district heating.	52% / 16 396 000	Total: 31 800 000	Total: 84 640 KBN share: 43 640	2011- 2014	Residential accommodation for people with disabilities.
Augestad nursery - Oppegård municip Nursery building constructed to the 'passive-house' standard. Ground source heating distributed through underfloor heating.	Dality 100% / 26 000 000	Total: 26 000 000	Total: 2 520 KBN share: 2 520	2011- 2014	Delivered energy is known to be reduced by using ground source heating from boreholes, but measuring equipment is not yet in place to quantify the amount of energy generated locally.
City Hall site - Kristiansand municipal New construction of 9,600 m2 of space and renovation of 5,600 m2 of space including historically protected buildings. Water-borne heating system, background level of heating provided by recycled heat from the municipality's IT data centre that is also located on the site. Air conditioning and cooling for the data centre uses remote cooling extracted from seawater in the adjacent fjord.	85% / 459 505 000	Total: 540 700 000	Total: 888 828 KBN share: 755 355	2011- 2014	Climate gas emissions from energy consumption and building mate- rials reduced by 50% relative to a reference building satisfying the minimum building requirements. Construction used low carbon concrete and recycled building materials.

DESCRIPTION	KBN FINANCING (<i>NOK</i>)	TOTAL COST (NOK)	ESTIMATED ENERGY AVOIDED ANNUALLY (<i>KWH</i>)	BUILDING PERIOD	OTHER RESULTS
Hellemyr - Multi-use sports hall - Kris	tiansand munici	pality			
Sports hall with miniature shooting range					
and club room facilities for the local sports club. The building is constructed			Total:		Construction of the building pri-
to the 'passive-house' standard, and its	69% / 43 700 000	fotal: 63 300 000	510 770	2014-	oritised climate-friendly building materials, including roof trusses
50% of the standard energy requirement			352 617	2013	and supporting columns in timber.
stipulated in the building regulations.					
Aquarama - Kristiansand municipality	,				
Low-energy facility housing a	I	1	Total:		
sports hall and related facilities. Low-	90% / 536 870 000	Total:	1 500 000	2010-	Central location in Kristiansand
energy building with heat recycling from waste water and ventilation		390 000 000	1 349 125	2013	reduces the need for access by car.
		1		1	
Møllestua nursery - Kristiansand mun	icipality				
'Passive-house' nursery with local	I				Low carbon concrete in the foun-
energy production from 300 m2 of photovoltaic solar panels and 26 m2	57% /	Total	Total:	2010-	dations and floors. A light sculpture
of thermal solar panels on the roof. In	25 389 000	44 270 000	KBN share:	2011	the nursery is energy-positive or is
summer months, the panels provide all the building's energy requirements.		I	70 872	I	taking power from the electricity arid.
Capacity for 100 children in six classes.					5
Torridal school - Kristiansand municip	ality				
School constructed to the 'passive-	21% /	Total:	Total:	2014-	
nouse standard, capacity for 200 pupils.	15 000 000	69 900 000	KBN share:	2015	Timber exterior cladding.
	1		22 652	I	
Øvre Sletteheia nursery - Kristiansano	d municipality				
Nursery constructed as low-energy	l	I	Total:	1	
building with solar panels on part of the	49% /	Total:	57 346	2010-	The installation used in the build-
water-to-water heat pump.	18 898 000	38 200 000	28 370	2012	cellulose.
Fagerholt school - Kristiansand muni	cipality				
School constructed to the 'passive-			Total:	2014	
house' standard. Capacity for 500	12% / 16 700 000	Total:	331 067 KBN share:	2014-2015	
pupiis.			40 064		
Administration building - Romerike av	/fallsforedling I	٨S			
Administration building constructed to		1	Total:		
the 'passive-house' standard for the new	70% /	Total:	84 630	2011-	Constructed in part with recycled
waste sorting facility and environmental	21700 000	31000 000	59 241	2013	
purk.					
Hommolyik caro homo Malyik munis	ipality				
Care home building constructed to the					
'passive-house' standard. Ground source	37% /	Total:	Total:	2013-	Water treatment plant for legionella
heating providing 202,400 kWh of energy	93 700 000	254 000 000	KBN share:	2015	bacteria that allows hot water tem- perature to be reduced by 10° C.
		I	215 255		
Bruket cultural centre - Malvik munici	pality				
A venue for concerts, events and					
rehearsal space. Constructed to the	23% /	Total:	Total:	2013-	
heating providing 62,568 kWh of energy	12 000 000	53 000 000	KBN share:	2014	
annually.	I	1	36 103		I

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DESCRIPTION	KBN FINANCING (NOK)	TOTAL COST (NOK)	ESTIMATED ENERGY AVOIDED ANNUALLY <i>(KWH)</i>	BUILDING PERIOD	OTHER RESULTS
Sandfiæra nursery - Malvik municipali	tv				
Sundigera harsery Pharvik manieipan	l		. Total:		
Energy-efficient nursery building with capacity for 160 infants.	83% / 39 700 000	Total: 47 600 000	61 990 KBN share: 51 702	2015- 2016	
Alcoa environmental park - Farsund n	nunicipality				
Multi-use sports hall and year-round artificial grass pitch. 97% of heating needs supplied by district heating from the nearby Alcoa aluminium factory. Energy-efficient building.	92% / 100 000 000 (2016)	Total: 109 200 000	Total: 905 025 KBN share: 828 777	2013- 2014	Makes use of a source of heating that would otherwise go to waste.
Hokksund Junior School - Øvre Eiker	municipality				
Junior school constructed to the 'passive-house' standard with capacity for 405 pupils.	66% / 160 000 000	Total: 241 200 000	Total: 211 700 KBN share: 140 431	2010- 2012	Part timber construction. Central location reduces transport demand.
Kirkenes junior and infant school - Sø	r-Varanger muni	cipality			
The new school replaces a number of old buildings and reduces energy consumption significantly.	97% / 358 000 000	Total: 370 000 000	Total: 372 000 2 KBN share: 2 359 935 2	2009- 2012	Energy consumption of 105 kWh/m2 is extremely low for the conditions in northern Norway.
Marienlyst school - Drammen municip	ality				
First school in Norway constructed to the 'passive-house' standard, with capacity for 560 pupils. Heating provided from a mini district heating system via heat exchangers.	97% / 248 019 167	Total: 254 500 000	Total: 445 326 KBN share: 433 986	2009- 2010	Compact urban school centrally located in Drammen, reducing transport demand.
Fiell nursery - Drammen municipality					
Nursery constructed to the 'passive-					
house' standard, with capacity for 90 infants. Heated by low-temperature waterborne underfloor heating with ground source (borehole) heat pump.	57% / 15 963 176	Total: 28 200 000	Total: 60 400 KBN share: 34 191	2009- 2010	Constructed in mass timber.



ENERGY EFFICIENCY



TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	128 705 000 NOK
OUTSTANDING LOANS	120 322 848 NOK
	18 893 473 кwн
	7 179.5 TONNES OF CO2e

DESCRIPTION	KBN FINANCING (<i>NOK</i>)	TOTAL COST (NOK)	BUILDING PERIOD	ESTIMATED ANNUAL ENERGY SAVING (kWh)	HEATED SURFACE AREA (M²)		
Asker ENØK (energy efficiency) measures - Asker municipality The project includes a number of inno- vative solutions such as using surplus							
heat from ice production in a skating rink facility to heat swimming pool water. Phasing out of fossil fuel energy sources in a number of buildings. 30% reduction in energy consumption.	71% / 25 400 000 (2016)	Total: 35 600 000	2012- 2016	Total: 5 500 000 KBN share: 3 924 157	Total: 50 000 KBN share: 35 674		
Energy efficiency - Rendalen municip	ality						
Reducing energy consumption in municipal buildings through an energy performance contract (EPC). Project involves carrying out 57 energy savings measures across 11 municipal buildings. 45% reduction in energy consumption.	44% / 5 545 000 (2016)	Total: 12 477 165	2016- 2018	Total: 1 818 250 KBN share: 808 052	Total: 14 172 KBN share: 6 298		
EPC-project - Spydeberg municipality	/						
Reducing energy consumption through an energy performance contract (EPC). Involves nine buildings and a water treatment plant. Two oil burning heating plants to be phased out. 42% reduction in energy consumption.	62% / 12 780 000 (2016)	Total: 20 500 000	2016	Total: 2 324 758 KBN share: 1 449 288	Total: 34 700 KBN share: 21 632		
Street lighting - Bardu municipality							
10% of bulbs used in the municipality's street lighting to be replaced with LED bulbs.	100% / 480 000 ⁽²⁰¹⁶⁾	Total: 480 000	2016- 2017	Total: 13 200 KBN share: 13 200	Total: N/A KBN share: N/A		
Jevnaker EPC-project - Jevnaker mun	icipality						
Reducing energy consumption through an energy performance contract (EPC). 27% reduction in energy consumption	100% / 21 000 000 (8 000 000 in 2016)	Total: 21 000 000	2014-2016	Total: 2 007 704 KBN share: 2 007 704	Total: 32 857 KBN share: 32 857		
Central operational control system - 0	Oppegård munic	ipality					
Energy efficient project to link the municipality's buildings to a central operational control system.	91% / 4 000 000	Total: 4 400 000	2014-2014	Total: 192 810 KBN share: 175 282	Total: 23 731 KBN share: 21 574		
EPC contract - Rissa municipality							
Improving energy efficiency in five buildings through an energy performance contract (EPC). 39% reduction in energy consumption	100% / 5 000 000	Total: 5 000 000	2014-2015	Total: 1 553 817 KBN share: 1 553 817	Total: 17 324 KBN share: 17 324		
Improving energy efficiency - Kristiar	Improving energy efficiency - Kristiansand municipality						
Improved energy efficiency by phasing out fossil fuel heating in municipal buildings. Use of heating oil reduced by 98% (4,208,144 kWh). This alone reduces climate emissions by 1,052 tonnes of CO2-equivalents. 35% reduction in energy consumption.	56% / 54 500 000	Total: 97 300 000	2007 -	Total: 16 000 000 KBN share: 8 961 973	Total: 350 000 KBN share: 196 043		



RENEWABLE ENERGY



Annual impact KBN SHARE

LIST OF PROJECTS

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	112 255 000 NOK
OUTSTANDING LOANS	102 161 247 NOK
ENERGY PRODUCTION	18 466 222 кwн
AVOIDED GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS	7 017.1 TONNES OF CO2e

DESCRIPTION	KBN FINANCING (<i>NOK</i>)	TOTAL COST (NOK)	ESTIMATED ANNUAL ENERGY PRODUCTION (<i>kWh</i>)	BUILDING PERIOD	OTHER RESULTS
Sandbakken recycling facility - Hvale Recycling facility that generates its own electric power from 1,200 m2 of solar pane and four mini wind turbines. Surplus power stored in batteries for later use.	r municipality ls 58% / is 14 055 000 (2016)	Total: 24 200 00	Total: 193 000 KBN share: 112 092	2015- 2016	Electric-powered waste collection vehicle to be purchased in 2017 to collect waste for recycling from the facility's 2,100 subscribers.
Orkdal waste transfer station - Hamo 200 m2 solar panel installation on the external cladding of a waste transfer statio	n. 44% / (2016)	Total: 17 000 00	Total: 30 000 0 KBN share: 13 235	2016- 2017	The waste transfer station will rely solely on renewable locally produced energy. The station will be converted in due course to use only electric powered waste handling machinery.
Frøya recycling facility - Hamos forva 600 m2 of solar panels on the walls and roof of a recycling facility (recycling hall and associated facilities).	14% / 3 000 000 (2016)	Total: 22 000 00	Total: 85 000 KBN share: 11 591	2016- 2018	Hamos has initiated collabora- tion with SINTEF Technology and Society to investigate energy storage using thermal wells.
Biogas plant at Grødaland - IVAR IKS Biogas plant at Grødaland in Hå municipali Collection, pre-treatment and dewatering facility for sludge, thermal hydrolysis, settlement tanks (2 × 4,000 m ³), gas upgra facility and administration building. 8 MW biofuel facility to produce steam heat for th biogas plant using dewatered residue and waste timber.	ty. ide 15% / 83 000 000 (²⁰¹⁶⁾	Total: D 546 000 C	Total: 89 000 000 KBN share: 13 529 304	2016- 2018	Biogas production will be fed into the regional gas network. The project is not yet complete. Further NOK 284 million green loan for the project approved in 2017.
Eid Fjordvarme Extension of seawater heating system ("fjord-based heating") in Nordfjordeid. The installation heats water for the water- based heating system through a seawater heat exchanger.	100% / 4 700 000	Total: 4 700 000	Total: 4 800 000 KBN share: 4 800 000	2016	The new installation has a max- imum heating duty of 2 MW, and extends the capacity of the seawater system in Nordfjordeid by 50 %. The system can also produce free cooling.



LOW-CARBON TRANSPORTATION



	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	5 308 758 000 NOK
	OUTSTANDING LOANS	5 307 084 120 NOK
Annual impact KBN SHARE	GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCED OR AVOIDED	5 756 TONNES OF CO2e

DESCRIPTION	KBN FINANCING (<i>NOK</i>)	TOTAL COST (NOK)	TOTAL IMPACT	BUILDING PERIOD	OTHER RESULTS			
Electric vehicle charging points - H	Electric vehicle charging points - Hvaler municipality							
Improvements to infrastructure for charging of electric cars and plug-in hybrid cars. This part of the project comprises 14 charging points at the town hall and two fast charging points at other locations in the municipality.	48% / 499 000 (2016)	Total: 1 050 000	Total estimated number of people: 30 KBN share: 14	2016- 2017	Making arrangements for the municipality and private owners to use electric vehicles forms part of the municipality's target to be climate-neutral by 2030.			
Footpath and cycle track - Oppega	ard municipalit	У						
530m of footpaths and cycle tracks, cycle parking, improved cycle tracks, purchase of electric bicycles.	98% / 8 509 000	Total: 8 700 000	Improved conditions for bikers and pedestrians	2013- 2014				
Bergen Light Rail - Bergen bomsel	skap							
Electric light rail service, repre- senting an efficient and environ- mentally friendly public transport service in Bergen. Bergen light rail recorded 9,987,000 passenger journeys in 2015.	100% / 270 000 000	Total: 5 270 000 000	Total estimated reduction in green- house gas annually: 5 753 tonnes CO ₂ KBN share: 5 753 tonnes CO ₂	2008- 2017	Annual reduction in local air pollu- tion: 23,891 kg SOx, 22,619 kg NOx and 5,851 kg PM2.5.			
Electric-powered vehicles for the h	nome care serv	vice - Oppegå	rd municipality					
29 vehicles used by the municipality's home care service replaced with electric vehicles.	100% / 7 300 000	Total: 7 300 000	Total estimated number of car-km reduced because of the investment: 29 000 KBN share: 29 000	2014	29,000 fossil fuel driven car kilometres replaced with electric vehicles, resulting in a reduction in emissions of 3,364 kg of CO2- equivalents annually.			
Mountain lift to train station - Holmestrand municipality								
70 m lift from plateau residential area down to Holmestrand train station. Objective is to reduce car use and increase use of the train as well as cycling and walking.	35% / 22 450 000 (2016)	Total: 64 500 000	Total estimated number of people: 3 044 KBN share: 1 060	2015- 2016	3,044 people live within a 20 minute cycle journey from the lift.			



WASTE MANAGEMENT



ТОТАL DISBURSEMENTS 508 328 290 NOK OUTSTANDING LOANS 473 512 856 NOK ADDED CAPACITY 57 140 TONNES

DESCRIPTION	KBN FINANCING (NOK)	TOTAL COST (NOK)	INCREASE IN CAPACITY (TONNES)	BUILDING PERIOD	OTHER RESULTS
Pre-treatment facility for organic waste	- IVAR IKS				
Facility that prepares organic waste for biogas production.	14% / 31 000 000	Total: 220 000 000	Total: 20 175 KBN share: 2 842	2011- 2017	Replaces the previous composting facility. 67% increase in capacity for treating organic waste, making it possible to treat new sources of waste such as waste from fish production that would otherwise not be put to use.
Forus waste sorting facility - IVAR IKS					
New large waste sorting facility. 20 sorting machines with infrared detection to ensure a very high recycling rate of 75%.	13% / 82 200 000	Total: 620 000 000	Total: 26 000 KBN share: 3 447	2016- 2019	The sorting facility will improve the recovery of plastics from 7% to 100%. Separated plastic waste will now be extruded into granules within the Forus facility whereas plastic waste was previously sent to Germany for processing.
Waste collection - SIRKULA IKS					The project is fully financed with
Equipment for waste collection from 42,000 customers in Hedmark county.	96% / 6 978 926 (2016)	Total: 7 275 000	N/A	2010- 2015	green lending from KBN, but due to a change in the legal entity that is the borrower as part of a change in corporate structure in 2015, the loans were converted to a new project number and the amounts already lent were deleted from the lending lists.
Heggvin waste management facility - SI	RKULA IKS				
Upgrading of the Heggvin waste management facility: including new facility for environmentally-friendly treatment of sand sludge, ash, EPS plastics and hazardous waste. The upgrading will make the facility more reliable with greater capacity and better sorting capability so that the proportion of residual waste going to landfill is reduced.	78% / 56 597 769 (2016)	Total: 72 553 000	N/A	2010- 2015	A biogas facility has been established for the landfill in order to make use of the gases given off by the landfill waste and reduce discharges to the atmosphere.
Recycling facilities - SIRKULA IKS					
Upgrading of five recycling facilities serving 42,000 subscribers.	82% / 15 830 924 (2016)	Total: 19 393 000	N/A	2010- 2015	
Gålåsholmen - SIRKULA IKS Facility for garden waste. If garden waste is disposed of in the countryside there is considerable risk of spread of non-native plant types. The facility will be extended to include a high-tech recycling facility and resale outlet.	94% / 17 720 671 (2016)	Total: 18 800 000	Total: 20 000 KBN share: 18 851	2013- 2015	Sirkula produces and sells growing medium made from garden waste that can be used to replace environ- mentally hostile peat-based growing medium. 2,000 tonnes of growing medium produced in 2016.
New recycling facilities - Søre Sunnmøre	Reinhaldverk				
Three new recycling facilities, new administration building and renovation of waste sorting facility. Solar panels on the roof of the administration building, making it virtually energy neutral. Annual energy consumption for the facilities as a whole reduced by 30,000 kWh.	58% / 64 000 000	Total: 109 500 000	N/A	2015- 2018	Wet organic waste was previously incinerated together with residual waste, but is now separated and made available for biogas production.
New waste sorting facility - Romerike av	fallsforedling (R	OAF)			
New large facility with state-of-the-art waste sorting equipment serving 126,500 households. This is the first facility in the world to use fully automatic sorting of plastic from residual waste.	100% 234 000 000	Total: 234 000 000	Total: 30 000 KBN share: 30 000	2012- 2014	Sorting machinery can separately sort five types of plastic. Laser optical sorting to divert bagged food waste to biogas production.



WATER AND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT



	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	1 025 195 000 NOK
	OUTSTANDING LOANS	931 216 552 NOK
KBN SHARE	ADDED CAPACITY	219 051 _{p.e}

DESCRIPTION	KBN FINANCING (<i>NOK</i>)	TOTAL COST (NOK)	INCREASE IN CAPACITY (P.E) ⁸	BUILDING PERIOD	OTHER RESULTS
Tønsberg wastewater treatment plant Treatment plant for waste water from five municipalities.	92% / 115 000 000 (5 000 000 in 2016)	Total: 125 000 00	Total: 100 000 KBN share 92 000	2014-2017	Treatment efficiency in terms of BOD (biological oxygen demand) improved from 45% to 90%, discharges reduced by 1,000 tonnes per annum. Treatment efficiency in terms of COD (chemical oxygen demand) improved from 35%
Water pipeline Nordli to Finnkroken - Bardu mur Pipe line to connect water plants to secure the water	nicipality				to 85%, discharges reduced by 2,500 tonnes per annum.
supply for Bardu and Mälselv municipalities. Makes use of the difference in height to drastically reduce the energy used to pump water relative to the previous connection.	100% / 16 000 000 (2016)	Total: 16 000 000	Total: 4 500 KBN share 4 500	2015- 2016	Reduction in pumping station energy consumption: 75,000 kWh
Water and wastewater management improveme	nts 2013-2015 -	· Oppegård ı	municipality		
Refurbishment of wastewater system and improve- ments to water supply network. Upgrading of water supply facility, including installation of UV treatment.	100% / 92 295 000	Total: 92 295 000		2013- 2015	Refurbishment of 3,114 m of waste- water pipe and 3,258 m of water supply pipe.
Water supply- IVAR IKS					This pipeline provides the vulnerable
New dual water supply to the island communities in the Rennesøy and Finnøy municipalities from a 20 km undersea pipeline.	100% / 122 000 000	Total: 122 000 00	0	2012- 2014	island communities with a dual water supply, and this is particularly important in terms of ensuring a backup supply.
Central wastewater treatment facility, Nord-Jærd	en - IVAR IKS				<u>-</u>
Expansion of the Nord-Jæren central treatment facility required due to strong population growth. Includes a separate biogas plant, as well as a fertiliser factory that produces fertiliser pellets from the biological residue. The remainder of the overall cost is financed by a normal loan from KBN.	20% / 104 200 000	Total: 520 000 000	Total: 160 000 KBN share 32 061	2012- 2016	This project replaces the previous chemical treatment plant with biologi- cal treatment. This improves the treat- ment of dissolved organic material as well as ensuring higher production from the biogas facility.
Expansion of the Grødaland treatment plant - IV	AR IKS				
Expansion of the treatment plant with a new large flotation stage in order to handle a high level of wastewater from industrial users.	79% / 27 700 000	Total: 35 000 000	Total: 80 000 KBN share 63 314	2011- 2012	The treatment plant is designed to facilitate biogas production from the residual sludge waste.
Water treatment - IVAR IKS					More comprehensive treatment
Upgrading of the Langevatn facility, which is the main water treatment facility for the Stavanger region. The facility is dimensioned for anticipated population growth of 100,000 residents by 2050.	9% / 93 500 000 ¹⁰	Total: 1 100 000 000	Total: 100 000 KBN share 8 500	2012- 2018	processes, including ozone treatment and bio filtration that are necessary to ensure satisfactory water quality and hygiene in response to anticipated warmer and wetter climatic conditions in the future.
Upgrading of the Nærbø wastewater treatment	facility - IVAR I	KS			
Upgrading of the Nærbø wastewater treatment facility in response to increasing treatment volumes caused by increases in population and industrial activity.	100% / 14 500 000	Total: 14 500 000	Total: 5 900 KBN share 5 900	: 2011- 2012	
Underwater pipeline Furnesfjorden - HIAS IKS 25 km underwater pipeline that will double the capacity for transfer of wastewater through Norway's largest inshore lake (Mjøsa). This became necessary due to the high level of population growth and increased precipitation in the region. The pipeline is	67% / 114 000 000 (2016)	Total: 170 000 00	Total: 7 000 0 KBN share 4 694	2015- 2018	The new pipeline will avoid the risk of leaks and the consequent pollution and eutrophication of Mjøsa, which has a vul- nerable ecosystem and provides drinking water for 80,000 people. The project is due for completion in 2018, with NOK
laid at a depth of 30 to 70 m, and is the most extensive					55.7 million of remaining investment to be carried out in 2017 and 2018.
Waste water treatment facility and waste transp Upgrading of the main HIAS wastewater treatment facility in order to accommodate population growth and increased industrial activity in the area. Introduction	ort - HIAS IKS	Total:		2011-	The project also includes an upgrading facility for biogas from sludge waste, as well as new and renovated pipework to the waste treatment facility in order to
of a fully biological treatment process that separates phosphorus and other fertiliser materials that cannot be separated by the current chemical treatment system.	(44 000 000 in 2016)		°	2016	avoid the risk of leaks and consequent pollution of the inshore lake Mjøsa.
Water supply and treatment - HIAS IKS					Steps have been taken to ensure secu-
Upgrading of water extraction, water supply and water treatment to ensure good water quality and adequate capacity in a region with high levels of population growth and changing precipitation patterns.	100% / 193 420 000 (27 069 573 in 2016)	Total: 193 420 00	0	2010- 2015	rity of supply for the region, including dual water supply, a zone system for water pressure and emergency backup electric power supply for all pumping stations.
New water treatment facility - HIAS IKS A new water treatment facility is needed for the Hamar area due to high levels of population growth and because the quality of water available for extraction from the inshore lake Mjøsa is being adversely affected by climate change. The water treatment process in the new facility will include chemical treatment with direct filtering, UV treatment and chlorination.	2% / 8 580 000 ⁹	Total: 350 000 000	Total: 36 000 KBN share 8 082	2015- 2021	The facility will be constructed with particular emphasis on efficient energy use, including preparation for using solar panels. HIAS IKS has set a target for the facility to be climate neutral by 2020.



CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION



TOTAL COST (NOK) KBN FINANCING BUILDING PERIOD OTHER RESULTS DESCRIPTION (NOK) Avalanche risk monitoring - Rauma municipality Monitoring and avalanche warning system 15% / Total: 2011-Risk of rock avalanche up to 3 for 'Mannen', a mountainside with high 31 917 394 220 000 000 2017 million m³. avalanche risk. 31 917 394 NOK TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS 23 700 080 NOK OUTSTANDING LOANS



SUSTAINABLE LAND USE



DESCRIPTION		KBN FINANCING (<i>NOK</i>)	TOTAL COST (NOK)	AREA IMPROVED	BUILDING PERIOD	OTHER RESULTS
'Clean Tromsøysund Major project to rehab sea floor in Tromsøysu contaminated seafloor dredged up and sealed that will be used in the expanded quay facility	d' project - Tromsø Hav ilitate polluted nd. 95,000 m3 of sediment has been d into steel cylinders e construction of an	7 n KF 38% / 48 686 470	Total: 129 104 000	Total: 310 550 m² KBN share: 118 009 m²	2009- 2012	Extracted 653 kg PAHs and 3.8 kg PCBs. 75% reduction in persistant organic pollutants. Project will create unpolluted living conditions for fish and other species in the ocean, and a better local environment for the human population.
TOTAL	DISBURSEMENTS				48 6	586 470 NOK
OUTST	ANDING LOANS				45 7	730 960 NOK

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IVAR IKS

Biogas plant in Grødaland

IVAR INTERMUNICIPAL COMPANY: GRØDALAND BIOGAS PLANT

DISBURSED IN 2016	83 200 000 NOK
TOTAL COST	546 000 000 NOK
PROPORTION OF TOTAL FINANCING REPRESENTE	D BY GREEN LOANS 15,2 *
ENERGY PRODUCTION	13.53 GWh
	equivalent to 5,195 tonnes of CO2e if the same amount

of energy was produced as electricity.

IVAR IKS, a water, wastewater and waste disposal company in the Stavanger region, sees itself as a provider of three things: clean water, energy and nutrients for the soil. It sends clean water back to the fjord. It sells its energy in the form of biogas and district heating, and delivers its nutrient output as fertilizer pellets produced in its own fertilizer factory.

The biogas plant, which will be completed in 2017, will at full production produce approximately 65 gigawatt hours from biogas annually. Biogas production requires steam heating, and instead of using delivered energy to produce this heat, IVAR is building a separate biomass plant in which dewatered residue from biogas production and shredded waste timber can be burnt to produce heat for both the biogas plant and for a district heating system for the surrounding industrial estate. The biomass plant's output will be around 8 megawatts, and will produce heat of around 39 gigawatt hours a year, of which 15 gigawatt hours will be used for the biogas plant. Only the delivered energy, which is to say the district heating output, is included in the calculation of the annual energy production.

The biogas plant has been designed to ensure maximal recovery of the nutrients nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium, which are important fertilizers. IVAR has built its own fertilizer factory that compresses the dry residue from biogas production into fertilizer pellets that are clean and simple to transport over long distances – the factory even has customers as far away as Vietnam! IVAR is involved in the RECOVER research project along with several leading research and consulting organisations in Norway. This project is investigating how the resources found in wastewater, such as energy, heat and nutrients, can best be recovered in Nordic conditions.

The biogas plant is not yet complete. The project was granted a green loan of NOK 284 million in 2017.

* KBN's share of the climate impact is calculated on the basis of the amount of green lending provided at the end of 2016. It will increase to 59.63 GWh and an annual greenhouse gas saving of 23,017 tonnes once a loan agreed for 2017 is disbursed.





ASKER MUNICIPALITY Buildings that pave the way

KISTEFOSSDAMMEN NURSURY

TOTAL AMOUNT OF GREEN LENDING DISBURSED	77 600 000 NOK
GREEN LOAN APPROVED IN 2016	77 600 000 NOK
PROPORTION OF TOTAL FINANCING REPRESENTED BY	GREEN LOANS 100 %
CLIMATE IMPACT	Annual greenhouse gas saving of 48.5
	tonnes of CO2 equivalents
OLMEN SWIMMING POOL	
GREEN LOAN APPROVED IN 2016	277 000 000 NOK
TOTAL AMOUNT OF GREEN LENDING DISBURSED	277 000 000 NOK
PROPORTION OF TOTAL FINANCING REPRESENTED BY	GREEN LOANS 100 %
CLIMATE IMPACT	Annual greenhouse gas saving of 697
	tonnes of CO2 equivalents

Asker Municipality, which is adjacent to Oslo and has 60,000 residents, has high environmental ambitions. The municipality has set itself a target of being climate-neutral by 2030, and by 2020 it intends to have reduced its delivered energy, which is to say energy that does not come from local sources, by 30% relative to the level in 2007.

These targets commit Asker to thinking about the energy consumption, energy supply and environmental impact of all the projects in which it invests. A new swimming pool in Holmen and a new nursery in Kistefossdammen, both of which were financed using green loans from KBN in 2016, are good examples of this.

NURSERY THAT CREATES ITS OWN POWER

Kistefossdammen Nursery is likely to become the first public sector plus-house building in Norway, which is to say that it will produce more power over the course of a year than it uses. The distinctive structure is energy-efficient and requires approximately half as much energy as the requirement in the applicable building regulations. 300m2 of solar cells on the roof and geothermal boreholes will more than cover the building's modest energy requirements over the course of a year. Timber and other environmentally friendly materials were prioritised when constructing the building so as to reduce the emissions from the building materials as well. When the nursery is complete in March 2017, the hope is that parents will be as climate-smart as the building, and will make the most of the high-quality bicycle parking facilities and the fact that the nursery is only a short distance to the train station when delivering and collecting their children.

ENERGY-EFFICIENT SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX

When Asker Municipality started planning a new swimming pool complex in Holmen, the planning team discovered that there were few good examples of environmentally friendly solutions for swimming pool complexes, which generally use a large amount of energy. There was not even a separate passive-house standard for buildings housing swimming pools. The municipality's team therefore had to be innovative. This led to a design featuring 15 geothermal boreholes and around 1,000m2 of solar thermal collectors to heat the building and the water. In addition, the pool's engineers chose to put 650m2 of photovoltaic solar panels on the roof of the building and on its south-facing side, which will provide around 12% of the building's electricity consumption. The country's most energy-efficient swimming pool complex is a high-quality facility with an 8-lane main pool measuring 25m by 21m, an exercise pool, a sports hall, a social area and a café, as well as a play area on the roof. Low-carbon concrete is being used in its construction, which will help reduce the emissions caused by the building materials. The pool will be ready for use in April 2017.





BERGEN LIGHT RAIL

Low-carbon transportation in Bergen



BERGEN LIGHT RAIL

UTANTS-

TOTAL AMOUNT OF GREEN LENDING PROVIDED 2010-2016

5 270 000 000 NOK

1 137 937

610 096

PROPORTION OF TOTAL FINANCING REPRESENTED BY GREEN LOANS

100 %

CLIMATE IMPACT		Annual avoided GHG emissions of 575			
			tonnes of	CO2 equivaler	
	EMISSIONS FROM	EMISSIONS SAVINGS	NET GAIN OVER	NET GAIN PER YEAR	

1 4 3 3 4 6 1

1 357 192

		PM 2,5 (kg)	48 469	351 106	302 637
OTH		NMVOC (kg)	290 137	1 239 149	949 012
2010 KBN has uction phases of	pro f th	vided green loans e Bergen Light R	to finance th ail project. Th	e three a ne total p	fter factoring in the hase.

95 524

747 096

Since constr amount lent of NOK 5.270 billion in the period up to 2016 makes the Bergen Light Rail the largest single project financed by our green loans.

SOx (kg)

NO_x (kg)

With 9,987,000 passenger journeys in 2015, the Bergen Light Rail has become the environmentally friendly backbone of the public transport offer in Bergen. The service replaces bus routes and is causing more people to choose public transport: despite population growth in the Bergen region, the volume of car traffic to and from the city centre has decreased, which can largely be attributed to the Bergen Light Rail.

With the assistance of Asplan Viak, we have carried out a simplified environmental assessment of the project from a lifecycle perspective, comparing it with a scenario in which it had not been built. This assessment shows that although constructing the Bergen Light Rail generated emissions, these were quickly overtaken by emissions savings once it entered operations. The electric train system generates far lower atmospheric emissions than buses: as the table shows, the Bergen Light Rail delivers a net climate gain of 5,753 tonnes of CO2 equivalents per year the emissions produced during the construction

18 966

10 168

5044

15 817

In addition, the light rail service is having a significant positive effect on air quality locally in Bergen. Bergen has on several occasions each winter in recent years been ranked as one of the most polluted cities in Europe due to two factors: too high emissions of NOx and PM2-10, which are principally due to heavy traffic, and an atmospheric inversion that leads to emissions not dissipating from the valley in which Bergen is situated. Calculations show a net annual gain equivalent to 23,891 kg of SOx, 22,619 kg of NOx and 5,851 kg of PM2.5. The impact is even greater for Bergen as a city because of the Bergen Light Rail's contribution to reducing traffic volumes in the area affected by inversion conditions.

Bergen Light Rail has become a positive driver for urban development in the city. Construction of commercial and residential buildings is now being concentrated around the service's route, which means that the Bergen Light Rail is becoming the preferred

Calculations of the environmental gain delivered by the Bergen Light Rail are based on a simplified life-cycle analysis of emissions from constructing and operating it for 60 years relative to an alternative scenario, and were carried out in 2016 by Asplan Viak for KBN. In the alternative scenario, other means of transportation that are primarily fossil-fuel powered are used, with these becoming increasingly electrified over the life of the Bergen Light Rail in line with Norway's national emissions targets. This perspective therefore means that the environmental benefit from the Bergen Light Rail will be greatest at the start of its life, and will then decline as alternative means of transport produce less emissions. We have, in accordance with Asplan Viak's recommendation, chosen to spread the environmental gains accumulated during the 60 years equally over this period, which means that the environmental gain delivered by the Bergen Light Rail in 2016 is in reality higher than stated here. We also note that when modelling the climate impact of the Bergen Light Rail, we assumed that producing 1 kWh of electricity produced 386 g of CO2 emissions, although Bergen Light Rail purchases guarantees of origin for the electricity it uses. More information on the basis for the calculations is available upon request; we will be happy to send you the report and the model.



MEASURING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

from public investments in Norway

ABOUT THE TERM 'IMPACT'

KBN's green loans finance buildings and infrastructure for transport, water, wastewater and waste management in Norwegian municipalities and county authorities. These are investments in physical assets that by necessity use resources such as energy, water and building materials, and generate emissions during the construction phase. Compared with a scenario in which the investment was never made, many of the investments we finance will still have a net positive climate footprint.

We choose to assume as the basis for our calculations what we think is the most probable alternative scenario to each green investment: that a comparable investment would be made without any ambition to find an environmentally friendly solution. For example, if a municipality chooses to build a retirement home that produces energy locally through the use of photovoltaic cells, we need to assume that this is because the municipality needs a retirement home. On this basis we calculate a project's impact relative to a reference scenario in which the project satisfies the minimum requirements in the national or regional guidelines. The basic criterion for investments to be financed at KBN's green interest rate is that the solution that is selected must be significantly more ambitious than is required of the municipality or county authority by the relevant national guidelines.

NORWEGIAN GUIDELINES AS A BASELINE FOR CALCULATING A PROJECT'S IMPACT

KBN uses the minimum requirements in Norwegian guidelines as the baseline for assessing the environmental impact of an investment because Norwegian municipalities and county authorities naturally cannot choose solutions that do not meet these minimum requirements. However, we would like to emphasise that the Norwegian guidelines are relatively strict from an international perspective, and that the projects in our green portfolio below are of a very high quality in terms of the level of technology and innovation they employ. The following information on buildings for service providers offers examples of this: according to Statistics Norway¹¹, buildings of this type in Norway consumed 229 kWh per square metre of heated floor space in 2011 (newer figures are not available), which is significantly lower than in European countries that have a comparable climate (with the exception of Denmark at 196kWh/m2/year), including Sweden (304 kWh/m2/year), Year), Finland (299 kWh/m2/year), Estonia (443 kWh/m2/year), the Netherlands (326 kWh/m2/year) and Belgium (554 kWh/m2/year)¹².

We can assume that this is related to Norway's building regulations, which are strict and apply to all new buildings in Norway. The applicable building regulations (the Regulations on technical requirements for building works, TEK10, which contain stricter requirements from 2017) state that office buildings can consume a maximum of 115/kWh/m2/ year, for example. The energy mix that is used in Norwegian buildings is also far cleaner than in many other countries, with electricity (84%) and district heating (12%) the dominant energy carriers¹³. Fossil energy carriers represented 2.5% of the energy consumed by buildings in 2015, but the proportion represented by such sources is falling sharply as we approach 2020 and the Norwegian Parliament's complete ban on the use of fossil oil as an energy carrier in buildings.

In other terms, even where solutions do not exceed the Norwegian guidelines by a large margin and therefore have a moderate beneficial environmental impact according to our calculation models, they are important projects from an international perspective because they contribute to the creation of a market for solutions that are at the forefront internationally.

LIMITATIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT

KBN's clients are regulated by the Local Government Act, which imposes limitations as to which investments a municipality or county may fund through debt. Commercial activities such as the generation of electricity for sale may not be funded through municipal loans. Because of this, KBN's Green Loans portfolio does not include projects such as hydropower plants and wind farms.

^{11. &}lt;u>https://www.ssb.no/energi-og-industri/artikler-og-publikasjoner/energi-</u> bruk-i-bygninger-for-tienesteytende-virksomhet-2011

^{12.} http://www.entranze.enerdata.eu/#/total-unit-consumption-per-m2-innon-residential-at-normal-climate.html_

^{13.} https://www.enova.no/innsikt/rapporter/byggstatistikk-2015/sammendrag/1150/0/_

KBN's Green Loans incentivise Norwegian municipalities to invest in a greener future. With Ødegården kindergarten, Oppegård municipality has brought innovative building technology to its youngest citizens. Photo: KBN / Torunn Brånå

KBN GREEN BONDS



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OUTSTANDING GREEN BONDS

ISSUE DATE	AMOUNT ISSUED	MATURITY	COUPON	ISIN
26 OCT, 2016	USD 500 MILLION	26 OCT, 2020	1.375 000	XS1508672828
02 NOV, 2015	USD 500 MILLION	26 OCT 2020	2.125 000	XS1188118100

KBN's first green bond issuance, a 3y USD 500 million bond issued in 2013, matured in 2016. KBN has raised green funding since 2010; the first years were aimed at Japanese households in the Uridashi market.

THIRD PARTY EVALUATION	CICCERCO Conter for international Climate and Environmental Research-Osle	DARK GREEN	Projects and solutions that already realise the long-term vision of a low-carbon and climate-resilient future. Typically, this will entail zero-emission solutions and governance structures taht integrate environmental concerns tino all activities. Ecample projects include renewable energy pojects such as solar or wind.
The Center for International Climate Research (CICERO), the leading provider of independent, science-based evaluations of the frameworks of green bond issuers, has assessed the environmental robustness of the June 2016 version of KBN's Green Bond Framework. We are proud to have received the rating "dark green", which is the highest possible rating from CICERO. This rating indicates the majority of projects financed through KBN's green bonds		MEDIUM GREEN	Projects and solutions that represent steps towards the long term vision, but are not quite there yet. Example projects include sustainable buildings with good (but not excellent) energy efficiency ratings.
		LIGHT GREEN	Projects and solutions that are environmentally friendly but are not by themselves a part of the long term vision. Example projects include energy efficiency improvements in fossil-based industry tat result in short-term reductions of greenhouse gas emissions, and diesel-fueles buses.
are "projects and solutions that term vision of a low-carbon and future already today" ¹⁴	t realise the long- d climate-resilient	BROWN	Projects that are in opposition to the long-term vision of a low- carbon and climate-resilient future.

14. <u>http://www.cicero.uio.no/en/posts/news/cicero-grades-climate-friend-ly-bonds-with-shades-of-green</u>



INVESTOR QUOTES

"As an investor in the KBN Green Bond we are very pleased with this convincing report - transparent with very specific and detailed information, at the same time easy to understand. Especially the use of indicators like GHG reduction, energy savings and renewable energy generation helps to understand the impact achieved with green bonds. We hope that other issuers are inspired to follow."

Doris Kramer, Head of Investment Strategies and Sustainability at KfW "We welcome KBN's very comprehensive report. Priority sectors such as renewable energy, energy efficiency and green transport are disclosed as receiving disbursements. We also greatly appreciate very specific data such as energy savings, KBN's share of the project and GHG emissions reduced. Additionally, the examples of specific projects are of particular value, as in the final analysis it is the impact on the real economy which makes the important difference."

Chris Wigley, Senior Portfolio Manager at Mirova "Kommunalbanken continues to be a leading issuer of green bonds in Europe. We welcome the improvements made to its green bond framework which made it more transparent for investors to better understand the projects with which the bond proceeds are financing. We invested in the 2016 issued green bond."

Yo Takatsuki, Associate Director, Governance and Sustainable Investment at BMO Global Asset Management

APPENDIX A

CORE PRINCIPLES OF KBN'S IMPACT REPORTING

KBN'S IMPACT CALCULATIONS CORRESPOND TO ITS SHARE OF FINANCING

When a project financed by a green loan has a quantifiable impact on the climate or environment, we calculate KBN's share of the impact on the basis of the proportion of the overall cost that is financed by KBN when the loan is granted. If a project is financed using a combination of a green loan and an ordinary loan from KBN, we only calculate KBN's share of the impact for the proportion of the project that is financed by the green loan. We calculate the environmental impact of investments ex ante, which is to say on the basis of estimates.

An investment remains in KBN's aggregated impact report for the entire lifetime of the loan that was used to finance it. In other terms, the environmental impact of a project is removed from the total when the loan is paid back in its entirety or is for other reasons removed from KBN's portfolio of green lending portfolio.

WE APPLY NORWEGIAN CODES & REGULATIONS AS THE BASELINE OF OUR IMPACT CALCULATIONS

Time is an important parameter when calculating the environmental impact of a project. Advanced life cycle models take into account that materials and structures deteriorate with age, and that the impact of an investment will therefore decrease at a certain rate. KBN does not have the resources to carry out such analysis in relation to each individual project we finance, and we similarly do not currently expect our customers to carry out such accounting for all investments. This report therefore documents the estimated annual environmental impact of KBN's green investments.

Where an emissions factor for electricity is involved in calculating a project's environmental impact, the impact calculation will be updated when we update the value of the emissions factor.

The environmental impact of new buildings is assessed as the difference between the estimated energy consumption of the building as built and the applicable building regulations. These regulations are updated at regular intervals. We think, however, that it is correct for the reference scenario for such buildings not to be updated in line with changes to the regulations, as it is a project's relative performance compared to the building regulations at the time the project was carried out that we assess.

WE BASE CALCULATIONS ON EX ANTE DATA

The environmental impact of KBN's green loans is computed using ex ante data on the project's estimated impact on the assumption that it will be used as designed. We do not currently collect ex post data about projects once they are in use. This is in line with the seventh principle of the IFI's impact reporting harmonization initiative¹⁶.

OUR REPORTING COVERS SCOPE 1&2 EMISSIONS AND EMISSION REDUCTIONS

The Greenhouse Gas Protocol divides the emissions generated by projects into three categories or scopes¹⁵ :

- Scope 1: Direct greenhouse gas emissions from sources that are owned or controlled by the company, such as combustion at facilities or fuel consumed by company vehicles;

- Scope 2: Indirect greenhouse gas emissions from the generation of electricity purchased by the company;

- Scope 3: Other indirect greenhouse gas emissions, such as from the production of materials, goods and services etc. consumed by the company. Scope 3 is an optional reporting category.

When calculating the environmental impact of a project, we have based our calculations on direct emissions and emissions savings (scope 1) and on indirect emissions and emissions savings (scope 2). Emissions and emissions savings that fall under scope 3 have not been included in this version of KBN's impact report.

An exception to this is the light rail service in Bergen (NOK 5.27 billion), for which we have had an independent simplified environmental impact assessment carried out, which also took emissions generated during the construction phase into account. Some scope 3 emissions are thus included due to this project.

WE REPORT REDUCED AND AVOIDED EMISSIONS SEPARATELY

Some of the projects we finance help reduce existing greenhouse gas emissions directly or indirectly, while other projects lead to emissions being either directly or indirectly avoided that would otherwise have been emitted in a reference scenario ("emissions savings"). We aggregate emissions reductions and savings separately, as we understand that it can useful to see the difference between these two types of environmental impact.

It is to be noted that a large proportion of indirect emissions reductions and savings come from reducing and avoiding energy consumption, principally electricity. We use the same conversion factor for converting electricity into greenhouse gas emissions regardless of whether electricity is being used or electricity consumption reduced or avoided. More information is available in the "Emissions factor for electricity" section.

The table on page 5 provides a summary of the conversion factors used by KBN.

WE CONSIDER BOTH QUANTIFIABLE AND NON-QUANTIFIABLE IMPACTS

KBN can provide green financing for investment in projects in eight different categories. Not all the projects that we finance through a green loan have an easily quantifiable impact on the environment or climate in the form of a direct or indirect reduction or saving in emissions.

For example, we finance major innovative upgrades to water and wastewater infrastructure, which are important in terms of adapting to climate change and from a public health perspective. It is, however, both difficult and imprecise to ascribe an environmental impact in the form of a reduction or saving in greenhouse gas emissions to projects of this sort. We therefore differentiate the portion of our lending portfolio that delivers quantifiable emissions reductions from the portion of our portfolio that does not. Projects in the Energy efficiency, Green new builds and Renewable energy categories as well as some projects in the Low-carbon transport category have quantifiable emissions savings or reductions. These projects represent approximately 85% of the projects in our portfolio in NOK terms.

Projects in the Waste management, Water and wastewater management, Sustainable land use and Climate change adaptation categories as well as some projects (typically footpath and cycle path projects) in the Low-carbon transport category are simply described with no quantified environmental impact provided. Where an investment creates new capacity or increases existing capacity at a plant or facility, this is quantified to the extent possible. However, it is more important to note the quality of these projects, although this can unfortunately not be quantified and aggregated in the same way.

WE ALIGN OUR REPORTING WITH INTERNATIONAL GREEN BOND STANDARDS & INITIATIVES

KBN's issuance of green bonds, its allocation of the proceeds, and its reporting on the environmental impact of the projects it finances comply, to the best of our knowledge, with the following international initiatives:

- ICMA Green Bond Principles

- The Climate Bonds Initiative's Climate Bonds Taxonomy

- The IFI's "Working Towards a Harmonized Framework for Impact Reporting" and "IFI Approach to GHG Accounting for Renewable Energy Projects"

- A joint Nordic issuer discussion on impact reporting; see below

WE CONTINUOUSLY STRIVE TO IMPROVE OUR REPORTING AND ARE GRATEFUL FOR ANY COMMENTS

Reporting the environmental impact of proceeds from green bonds is a novel and fast-moving field. Although we work to be at the forefront of developments in this area, we recognise the benefits of cooperating with other organisations in the field. KBN forms part of a group of Nordic public sector issuers of green bonds¹⁷ that in 2016 initiated discussions regarding a common approach to green bond impact reporting. This initiative stems from the belief that a common Nordic position on the issues involved may be beneficial to other green bond issuers as well as to the investor community. The issuers also believe that sharing experiences and know-how will benefit them all as individual issuers. The purpose of our work is to develop a transparent, harmonized and relevant approach to reporting the impact from green bonds. The group's ambition is to develop a practical guide for Nordic green bond issuers, which it aims to publish in the second half of 2017. The outcome of this work may have an effect on how we report impact in the future.

We welcome any feedback, comments or suggestions on our work on green bonds and impact reporting. Please get in touch should you have any thoughts on the KBN Green Bond Environmental Impact Report 2016 or on any future reports.

15. <u>www.ghgprotocol.org/files/ghgp/public/ghg-protocol-revised.pdf</u> - page 25

16. "Green Bonds: Working Towards a Harmonized Framework for Impact Reporting", December 2015, signed: African Development Bank (AfDB), Agence Française de Développement (AFD), Asian Development Bank (ADB), European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), European Investment Bank (EIB), Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD), Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW), Nederlandse Financierings-Maatschappij voor Ontwikkelingslanden (FMO), and Nordic Investment Bank (NIB).

17. Participants (FI=Finland, NO=Norway, SE=Sweden): City of Göteborg (SE), Kommunalbanken (NO), Kommuninvest (SE), Municipality Finance (FI), Municipality of Borås (SE), Municipality of Norrköping (SE), Municipality of Örebro (SE), Stockholm County Council, SLL (SE), Swedish Export Credit Corporation, SEK (SE)

CALCULATION METHODS AND CORE ASSUMPTIONS OF CATEGORIES





New green buildings are incorporated in terms of their energy efficiency relative to a reference building constructed in accordance with the applicable energy consumption limit in the building regulations (currently TEK10, the Regulations on technical requirements for building works).

Many of the new environmentally friendly buildings that we finance use locally produced renewable energy, such as energy from photovoltaic solar cells or ground source heating from boreholes. We count this energy as emission-free, as we currently only include emissions from sources covered by scopes 1 and 2 of the Greenhouse Gas Protocol. We therefore calculate the difference between delivered energy and the relevant energy consumption limit in the building regulations as the basis for the environmental impact.

Formula



When we aggregate the environmental impact for the Green new builds category, we convert the energy avoided into a greenhouse gas emissions avoided using the emissions factor we apply for electricity production. This is because we do not have detailed data on what energy carriers would have been used and to what extent for each reference scenario. According to Enova, 84% of energy consumption in Norwegian buildings was from electricity in 2015¹⁸.

New buildings financed by a green loan from KBN tend to have other climate-smart qualities in addition to only using a small amount of energy, such as being built using low-carbon building materials. The impact of these qualities is not aggregated, but a short description is provided for each project.

Assumptions

Producing 1 kWh of electricity that is delivered to the electricity network in Europe is assumed to generate 0.380 kg of CO2 equivalents (weighted average of mainland EU + Norway, combined margin, based on the IFI's harmonised grid factor database). See Appendix C. Energy efficiency is calculated as the improvement of energy use, compared to a baseline of actual energy consumption data.

Formula



Assumptions

An energy saving of 1 kWh is assumed to represent an emissions reduction equivalent to the emissions from producing 1kWh of electricity delivered to the electricity network in Europe, i.e. 0.380 kg of CO² equivalents (weighted average of mainland EU + Norway, combined margin, based on the IFI's harmonised grid factor database). See Appendix C.

1 kWh of energy from heating oil is assumed to generate emissions of 0.247 kg of CO² equivalents (source: AEA: UK Greenhouse Gas Inventory for 2010).

Local renewable energy sources have zero emissions within scopes 1 and 2.



WATER AND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT

Formula



Assumptions

1 population equivalent (PE) of water/wastewater: 250 litres per 24 hours where the customer has not provided its own figure for what constitutes a PE.



Formula GHG EMISSIONS REDUCED Consumption per km using a conventional alternative, e.g. a fossil fuel car or diesel bus annual × × emission distance factor travelled Consumption per km using chosen annual distance emissions × × alternative travelled

Assumptions

Electricity from the electricity network: 0.380 kg of CO2equivalent emissions per kWh produced (weighted average of mainland EU + Norway, combined margin, based on the IFI's harmonised grid factor database). See Appendix C.

Electric cars: 0.199 kWh of energy per km = 0.076 kg per km at 0.380 kg of CO2e/kWh (reference: (GLO) E13.2).

Petrol and diesel: 0.193 kg of CO2 equivalents per km can be used if consumption in litres is not known (reference: The Norwegian Institute of Transport Economics, Greenhouse Gas Protocol).



Formula

INCREASE IN CAPACITY

capacity after

financed measures

Capacity before measures

Assumptions No general assumptions



The environmental impact of producing renewable energy that generates no emissions (under scopes 1 and 2) is accounted for as an emissions reduction relative to an alternative way of producing the same amount of energy. We use the emissions factor for electricity delivered to the grid to calculate emissions reductions.



There are many ways of calculating the emissions from alternative ways of producing energy. The renewable energy produced at facilities that we finance may replace electricity, heating oil, conventional diesel, district heating produced using renewable or fossil energy carriers etc. In view of this, using the emissions factor for electricity for the calculation represents a conservative estimate. We think, however, that over a project's lifetime, electricity will become the main alternative source of energy to locally produced energy, and that using electricity is consequently the best option.

Assumptions

Producing 1 kWh of electricity that is delivered to the electricity network in Europe is assumed to generate 0.380 kg of CO2 equivalents (weighted average of mainland EU + Norway, combined margin, based on the IFI's harmonised grid factor database). See Appendix C.



No general assumptions are made for Climate change adaptation and sustainable land use.

APPENDIX C

CALCULATING EMISSIONS FROM ELECTRICITY

Electricity is an important input in many of the projects that are financed through KBN's green loans, while saving electricity is one of the main ambitions of other projects in our portfolio. The electrification of heating systems, transportation systems and other important functions in our societies is an inevitable part of the transition to a low-carbon world. However, generating electricity also produces emissions and these are naturally taken into account when the environmental impact of projects is assessed. The question is therefore what emissions factors should we apply when calculating the emissions that are produced or avoided?

For the purposes of reporting emissions savings and reductions in relation to electricity consumption, we apply a European mix emission factor of 380 grams of CO2 equivalents per kilowatthour of electricity generated. The factor is a weighted average of the combined margins¹⁹ of 26 EU member states in mainland Europe and Norway, and is based on the IFI's harmonised database of grid factors²⁰. Other parties to the Joint Nordic issuer discussion on impact reporting apply the same system boundary and calculation methodology.

We decided to apply a Europe-based grid factor because the Norwegian electricity market is highly integrated with the Nordic and European markets, with new connections constantly being established. The regional electricity market is the cornerstone of the Nordic energy system today and may serve as the 'battery' for mainland Europe in the future when variable renewable energy makes up a large share of energy production. At present, however, the European energy system of which we are part uses considerable amounts of fossil energy sources. Including this in the equation leaves us with quite a high grid factor (relative to calculations of an isolated, Norwegian grid factor) that makes some of the projects in our portfolio look more environmentally appealing than when multiplied by a national factor, while for other projects the effect is the opposite.

The IFI grid factor database will be updated regularly in order to capture any development in real emissions from electricity generation. We aim to update our grid factor accordingly, meaning that the grid factor we apply in our 2017 impact report is likely to be lower than this year's. The updated grid factor will be applied to all projects in our portfolio, regardless of the year of disbursement.

KBN recognises that there is no single answer to the question of grid factors. Hence, we report all electricity savings figures in both kilowatt-hours and tonnes of CO^2 so that the reader may apply an alternative preferred factor. We would also like to emphasise that reducing the amount of electricity a project consumes not only involves reducing emissions; freeing capacity in the grid for new electrification projects is a target in its own right.

21. See Appendix A.

^{19. 50/50} weighing of built margins and operating margins.

^{20.} Available from the IFIs upon request.

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