Toward Net-Zero Real Estate: Policy Blueprint

Convergence of Climate Goals, Real Estate Portfolio Performance and Systemic Risk Reduction

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Sustainable Real Estate Finance and Capital Markets



European Bank Exposure to Climate Risk

Composition of the euro area banking system

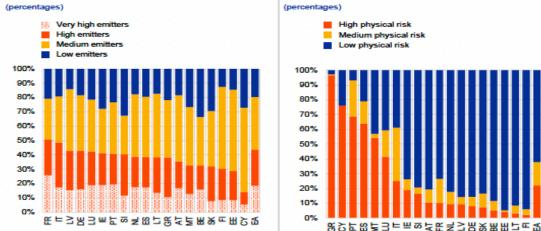
(left-hand scale: number of firms; right-hand scale: percentages)

Number of non-SIs (left-hand scale) Number of SIs (left-hand scale) Share of exposures held by SI (right-hand scale) Share of SI banks (right-hand scale) 1,800 100% 900 120% 90% 800 1,600 100% 80% 1,400 700 70% 80% 1,200 600 60% 500 1,000 60% 50% 400 800 40% 600 300 30% 200 400 20% 20% 100 200 10% 0% 0 SK CY DE AT PT LU MT LV SI FI LT EE IT NL BE ES IE GR FR Total euro area

Share of bank exposures exposed to climate risk per country

a) Share of bank loans exposed to transition risk

b) Share of bank loans exposed to physical risk



European Central Bank. (22 September 2021). Occasional Paper Series: ECB Economy-Wide Climate Stress Test. Methodology and Results. Available here.



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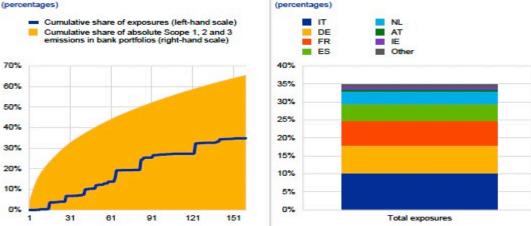


Share of exposures subject to high transition risk

a) Cumulative share of exposures and emissions of the top 10% of most polluting banks

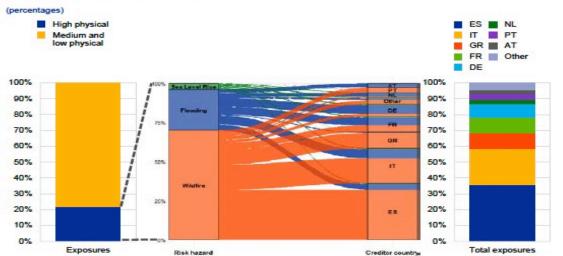
b) Country composition of the top 10% of most polluting banks

(percentages)



Share of exposures subject to high physical risk

Share of high physical risk exposures (left-hand side) and country composition of high physical risk exposures (right-hand side)



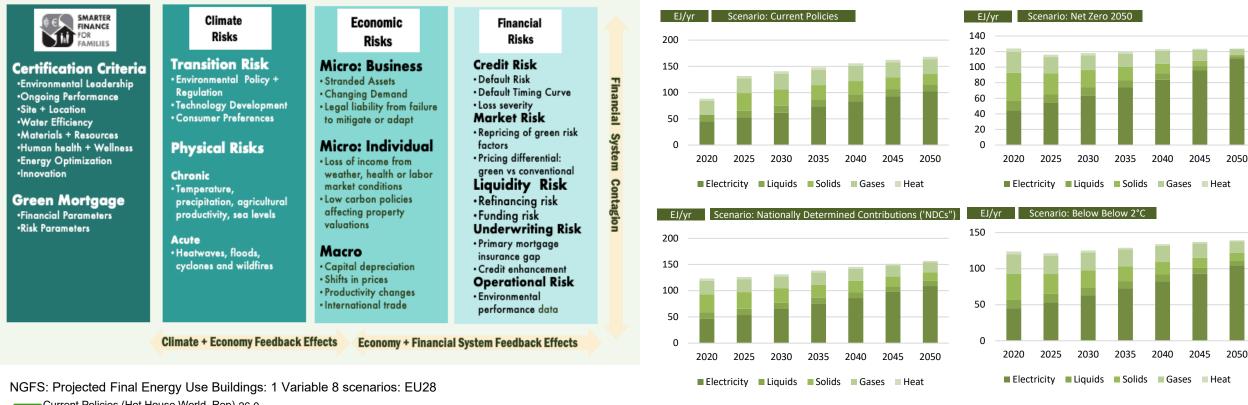
Climate Scenario Analysis

Property, Project and Portfolio Level

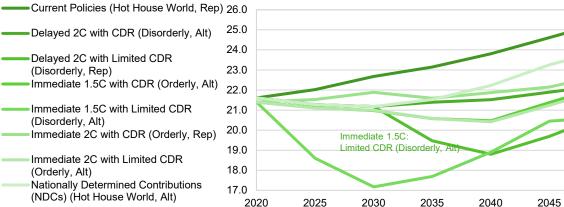


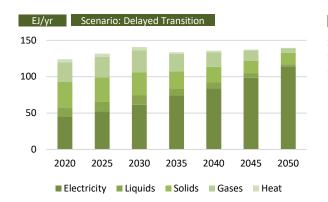
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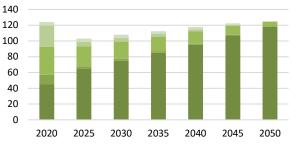


2050





EJ/yr Scenario: Divergent Net Zero



Electricity Liquids Solids Gases Heat

EU Taxonomy-Aligned Climate Risk-Weighted



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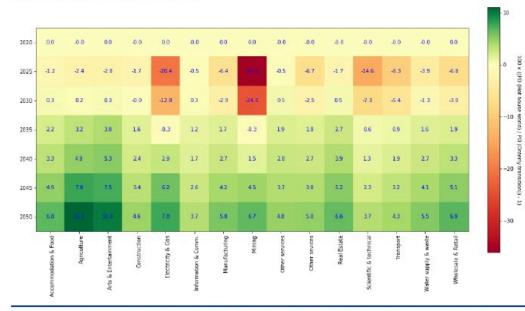


Reduction and EU Taxonomy Alignment

Changes in sectoral default probabilities³¹

Changes relative to 2020 values, calculated for a hot house world scenario relative to an orderly transition scenario

(percentage difference between 2020 and 2050)



Source: ECB calculations based on NGFS scenarios (2020), Orbis, iBACH, Urgentem and Four Twenty Seven data (2018)

EU Taxonomy-Aligned Climate Adjusted RWA =

Baseline Risk Weighted Assets

X Primary Energy Demand Reductions (kWh/m2/year)/(% of energy use reduced/avoided) X Carbon Reductions (kgCO2/m2/year)/(tonnes of CO2 reduced/avoided) X Water Efficiency (annual water savings m3/year) X Waste Management (% of total waste minimised, reused or

recycled)

Environmental Performance

Coefficient

Calibrating Financial Products and Transaction Structures

Certification-Based Methodology

Certification System	1st Tier Rating	2nd Tier Rating	Rating Type	Coefficient
SMARTER	Superior: (130-160 Points)	Excellent: (100- 129)	Points	Risk-Based
Home Performance Index ('HPI')	Gold: (≥70)	Certified: (≥ 45%)	% Score	Risk-Based
BREEAM	Outstanding: (≥85)	Excellent: (≥85)	% Score	Risk-Based
LEED	Platinum: (80+ Points)	Gold (60-79 Points)	Points	Risk-Based
DGNB	Platinum: (≥80%)	Silver (≥65%)	Total Performance Index	Risk-Based
HQE	Exceptional (13-16 Stars)	Excellent (9-12)	Stars Obtained	Risk-Based

EU Taxonomy-Aligned Methodology

Technical Screening Criteria	Metric	Threshold	Coefficient	
Primary Energy Demand Reduction	(kWh/m2/year)/ (% of energy use reduced/avoided)	Taxonomy- Aligned	Risk-Based	
Carbon Reductions	(kgCO2/m2/year)/ (tonnes of CO2 reduced/avoided)	Taxonomy- Aligned	Risk-Based	
Water Efficiency	(annual water savings m3/year)	Taxonomy- Aligned	Risk-Based	
Waste Management	(% of total waste minimized, reused or recycled)	Taxonomy- Aligned	Risk-Based	



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Eco-Financial Risk-Based Methodology

Risk Type	Mortgage Insurance	Interest Rate	LTV	Debt-to- Income			
Climate Risk	x0.1	x0.95					
Transition Risk	x0.1	x0.95					
Physical Risk	x0.1	x0.95					
Credit Risk: Probability of Default	x0.1	x0.85	+1.10 up to 100%	+150bps			
Credit Risk: Loss Given Default	x0.1	x0.85	+1.10 up to 100%	+2pps			
Credit Risk: Correlation: 1st Order: Borrower Specific	x0.1	x0.85	+1.10 up to 100%	+150bps			
Credit Risk: Correlation: 1st Order: Property Specific	x0.1	x0.85	+1.10 up to 100%	+150bps			
Credit Risk: Correlation: 2nd Order: Securitized Product		x0.85					
Market Risk: Climate VaR ¹		x0.98					
Market Risk: Stressed VaR ²		x0.98					
Option-Adjusted Spread ³		x0.85					
Prepayment Risk ⁴		x0.8					
Interest Rate Risk:		x0.8					
Underwriting Risk	x0.1	x0.9					
Liquidity Risk		x0.98					
Operational Risk Reduced by robust property-level certification data.							

Environmental-Factor Based Methodology

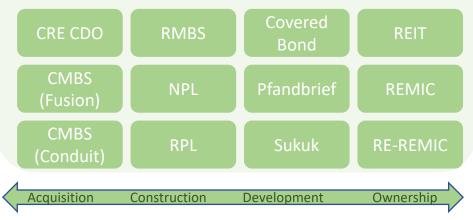
Pillars of Environmental Performance	Mortgage Insurance	Interest Rate	LTV	Debt-to- Income	
Environmental Leadership	x0.50	x0.65			
Ongoing Performance	x0.80	x0.75	+1.05 up to 100%	+150bps	
Site & Location	x0.60	x0.95			
Water Efficiency	x0.65	x0.98		+2pps	
Materials and Resources	x0.90	x0.98	+1.15 up to 100%		
Human Health & Wellness	x0.35	x0.95			
Energy Optimisation	x0.10	x0.85	+1.15 up to 100%		
Innovation	x0.85	x0.98	+1.15 up to 100%		

Green Real Estate Finance Product Sets

Maximizing Environmental Impact and Financial Performance



Capital Markets Products (Bonds, Securitized Products, Derivatives and Indices)





Environmental Performance Breakdown: HQE

Environmental Performance Breakdown: LEED

Gold

Silver

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40,000.0

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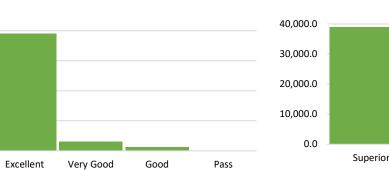
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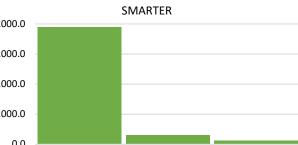
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Certified





Environmental Performance Breakdown:

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Excellent





EU Green Bond Standards

Eligibility Criteria



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	EU Taxonomy on Sustainable Activities									
SMARTER Finance for Families Assessment criteria for Green Homes certified projects: New Construction and Major Refurbishment; Renovation and Retrofits	Mitigation Activities					Adaptation Activities				
	Construction of New Buildings		Building Renovation		Acquisition and Ownership of Buildings		Construction of New Buildings		Building Renovation	
	Technical Screening Criteria	Do No Significant Harm Assessment	Technical Screening Criteria	Do No Significant Harm Assessment	Technical Screening Criteria	Do No Significant Harm Assessment	Technical Screening Criteria	Do No Significant Harm Assessment	Technical Screening Criteria	Do No Significant Harm Assessment
Environmental Leadership	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Ongoing Performance	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Site & Location	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Water Efficiency		\checkmark		~		\checkmark		\checkmark		~
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Human Health & Wellness		\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark
Energy Optimisation	\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark	
Innovation					\checkmark					

