# Green Deposit Environmental Impact Report



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#### Main characteristics of Nordea Green Deposits

Nordea Green Deposits are fixed term deposits with proceeds earmarked for customer loans with environmental benefits and that mitigate climate change.

The projects are typically aimed at renewable energy, pollution prevention, sustainable water management and sustainable agriculture according to Nordea Green Funding Framework.

Figures used in this environmental impact report are based on the latest available data on the Green Bond Asset Portfolio methodology. The impact is also presented per million NOK invested in green deposits, enabling our green deposit holders to easily understand the impact of their investments.

In the following sections the main characteristics of Nordea Green Deposits are presented. Further information on our Green Bond Framework, Impact reporting methodology and our Green Bond Asset Portfolio as well as the latest Second Party opinion can be found here.

#### **Green Deposit Asset categories**

Nordea's Green Bond Framework sets the basis for the identification, selection, verification and reporting of the sustainable financing that is eligible for being directly or indirectly financed by proceeds of the Green Bonds issued by Nordea, and the management of such proceeds.

The Green Bond Framework is based on the Green Bond Principles ("GBP") published by the International Capital Markets Association ("ICMA"). The Green Bond Framework is updated and expanded on a continuous basis, as the GBP and market practices evolve. We are committed to support the growth and integrity of the market for Sustainable Financing.

The categories Nordea has chosen as eligible for use of proceeds from our Green Deposits are presented in the adjacent table. The categories have been chosen based on Nordea's overall goal of enabling the transition to a sustainable society in general and combating climate change specifically. It is in these categories, that Nordea sees it has the greatest potential to make an impact by generating environmental benefits through our financing efforts. The alignment is further enhanced through our recently (2018) updated materiality analysis, where climate action was defined as Nordea's top priority for our strategic direction and sustainability focus.

#### Nordea process for Project Evaluation and Selection

Nordea will complete the following process when selecting and evaluating financing within the Green Asset Categories that qualify as assets to be included in the Green Asset Portfolio, and specifically, the Green Deposit Assets in relation to Green Deposit issuances.

The Green Deposit Assets are evaluated by sustainability experts within Nordea. Verification of the potential Green Bond Assets is then performed by the external second party opinion provider (i.e. the external verifier). The qualifying assets are included in the Green Bond Register and constitute the Green Deposit Asset Portfolio.

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#### Impacts of Nordea Green Deposits and Green Asset Pool

Nordea reports the estimated impact of the assets financed by the Green Bonds and Green Deposits on an aggregate level per category. To the extent available, the reporting is based on real data reported by the projects, companies or other organisations. If such information has not been available, Nordea has used estimates for the relevant asset type and location. Estimates are based on the average of similar (size, location) assets within the Green Bond Asset Portfolio. The avoided CO2 emissions and other impacts are reported in accordance with Nordea's debt financing share.

We have used the "Handbook – Harmonized Framework for Impact Reporting" published by the International Capital Markets Association (ICMA) as well as the "Nordic Public Sector Issuers: Position Paper on Green Bonds Impact Reporting", where applicable.

The impact per NOK 1 million per 1 month invested:

Category	Green Deposit amount, NOK	Annual emissions avoided, Kg CO2e	Renewable Energy Produced, KWh	SDGs*
Energy efficiency	1 918	1		7,11, 13
Green Buildings	841 039	21		7,11, 13
Pollution Prevention and control	60 426	254	3 059	7,11, 13
Renewable energy	95 224	1 793	3 366	7,11, 13
Sustainable Management of living natural resources	1 393	1		7,11, 13
Total	1 000 000	2 070	6 425	

<sup>\*</sup>United Nations Sustainable Development Goals:

Scaling example: let's assume a green deposit of NOK 3 million invested in a period of 6 months, which will be equal multiplying the impact of NOK 1 million, as in the table above, by 18 (3million\*6months).

Hence the CO2 impact of a green deposit of 3 million placed in 6 months will equal 37260 kg (2070\*3\*6).

<sup>7.</sup> Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

<sup>11.</sup> Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

<sup>13.</sup>Climate action

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## **Methodology notes**

For more detailed information on the selection and evaluation of green asset categories and green bond reporting and green impact reporting see: <a href="here">here</a>.