

# GREEN BOND REPORTING

EUR 500 mn Green Bond due April 2031 issued in March 2024

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# Green Bond EUR 500 mn due April 2031 – issued March 2024 (1)



- Issued under ICO's Green Bond Framework 1 last updated in 2021 receiving a favorable Second Opinion 2
- This is ICO's sixth Green Bond and reinforces the leadership of ICO in the Sustainability Bond market
- Six times oversubscribed, with a demand in excess of EUR 3.7 bn

Issuer:	Instituto de Crédito Oficial
Issuer Ratings:	A / A / A- / Baa1 (S&P / Scope / Fitch / Moody's)
Status of Notes:	Senior, Unsecured
Documentation:	GMTN Programme
Currency:	EUR
Principal Amount:	500,000,000
Trade Date:	19 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
Settlement Date:	26 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
Maturity Date:	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2031
Re-offer Spread:	SPGB 0.1% April 2031 + 11 bps
Re-offer Yield:	3.088%
Re-offer Price:	99.756%
Annual Coupon:	3.05%, Fixed
ISIN:	XS2793252060

# 75% of the issue was bought by international investors



# ESG investors accounted for 47% of the final allocation



 $<sup>1. \</sup>quad \underline{\text{https://www.ico.es/documents/20124/39589/Green+Bond+Framework+Junio.pdf}}$ 

<sup>2. &</sup>lt;a href="https://www.ico.es/documents/77230/77304/Green+Bond+Framework+second+party+opinion.pdf">https://www.ico.es/documents/77230/77304/Green+Bond+Framework+second+party+opinion.pdf</a>

# Green Bond EUR 500 mn due April 2031 – issued March 2024 (2)



## ICO's Green Bond Framework: Use of proceeds



Renewable energy



**Green buildings** 





**Energy efficiency** 



**Clean transportation** 



**Pollution prevention** and Control



**Environmentally sustainable** management of living natural resources and land use



**Hydrogen production** & storage

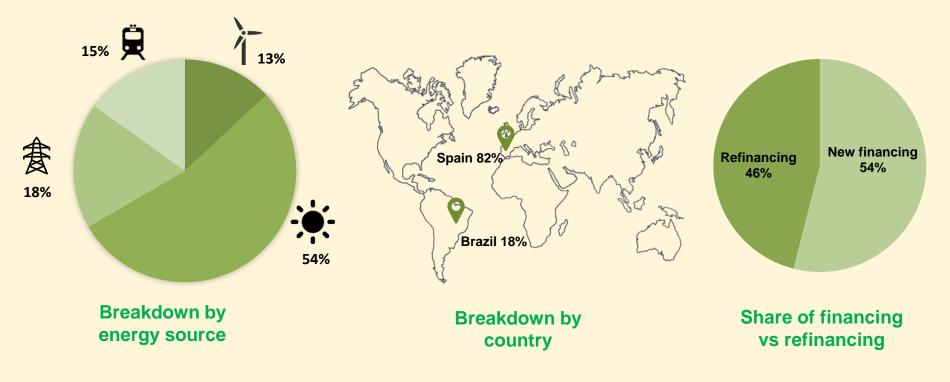


Sustainable water and wastewater management

- Acquisition, maintenance, refurbishment and/or repowering of existing and future renewable energy facilities from renewable sources (solar, wind and biomass)
- Energy Transmission and Distribution networks from renewable sources
- Acquisition, construction, development, renovation of buildings with an Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) and Primary Energy Demand (PED)
- Development, operation, distribution and maintenance of equipment or technology helping reduce energy consumption and increase energy savings
- Energy efficiency in buildings
- Loans to finance Public mass and freight transportation for electrified transportation systems, or low-carbon transportation systems which meet carbon intensity thresholds for a 2-degree scenario as defined by the CBI low Carbon **Transportation Standard**
- Loans to finance the development, manufacturing, construction, operation and maintenance of waste management activities
- Loans to finance the development, manufacturing, construction, operation and maintenance of sustainable agriculture and climate smart farm input or Environmentally sustainable fishery and or environmentally sustainable forestry
- Development, construction, and upgrade of hydrogen electrolysis, with related lifecycle emissions that comply with European Taxonomy threshold of 3tCO2e/tH2
- Loans to finance the development, construction and maintenance of water network and equipment for efficient water supply, distribution and storage or Wastewater discharge, water treatment and rainwater harvesting

## **Proceeds allocation**





- ➤ 100% fund allocation in the first year after being issued. Refinancing (loans disbursed before September 2023) accounts for 46% of the total.
- By financing the projects included in this bond, ICO has contributed to mobilizing EUR 4,957 mn

## **Allocations and Environmental Impact (1)**



Type of Project	Installed Capacity (MW)	Annual energy production distributed (MWh)	Km of energy distribution network built	distributed	Purchased trains	Annual GHG emissions avoided Tn CO2e	Allocated million EUR	
Solar photovoltaic	3,193	12,021,427	-	-	-	52,743	267,845,162	
Wind	300	868,100	-	-	-	14,636	65,255,436	
Energy distribution networks	-	-	236,869	1,026,328	-	18,681	91,424,392	
Clean transportation	-	-	-	-	7	331	75,475,009	
Total	3,493	12,889,527	236,869	1,026,328	7	86,390	500,000,000	

- ➤ The methodology used to calculate the amount of CO2 emissions avoided is based on internationally recognized standards to ensure solid results. It has been implemented by ICO with the technical advice of PwC and is based on the GHG Protocol for renewable energy projects.
- ➤ This Impact Report is **based on ex-ante estimates** of expected annual results for a **representative year** once the financed projects are completed and operating at normal capacity.

#### **Annual review**

Based on the limited assurance procedures conducted, nothing has come to Sustainalytics' attention that causes us to believe that, in all material respects, the Nominated Projects do not conform with the use of proceeds criteria and reporting commitments in the Framework. ICO has disclosed to Sustainalytics that the proceeds from the 2024 Green Bond were fully allocated as of January 2025. Link to the report

Morningstar Sustainalytics, a globally-recognized provider of ESG research, ratings and data, evaluated ICO's Framework and the alignment thereof with relevant industry standards and provided views on the robustness and credibility of the Framework. The review, whether in whole or in part shall not be construed as part of the offering and shall not be considered as an offer or advertisement to buy a security, solicitation of votes or proxies, investment advice, expert opinion or negative assurance letter as defined by the applicable legislation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> http://www.ico.es/documents/20124/39520/Instituto+de+Cr%C3%A9dito+Oficial+Annual+Review+2025.pdf

# **Allocations and Environmental Impact (2)**







1 project



18,681 Tn



1,026,327.84 MWh

236,868.86 Km







EUR 408.58 mn 10 projects



67,709 Tn



3,493 MW



12,889,527 MWh



7 trains



Annual avoided CO2 emissions



Energy capacity installed



Annual energy production distributed



Purchased trains



Energy distributed & Km of energy distribution network built

# **Projects overview (1)**



Framework category	Environmental benefit	Economic activity (EU Taxonomy)	Project description	Total project cost (EUR mn)	Allocated amount (EUR mn)	Installed Capacity (MW)	Annual energy production distributed (MWh)	Annual GHG emissions avoided Tn CO2e
Electricity generation Climate change from renewable mitigation energies			Design, construction, operation and maintenance of 4 photovoltaic plants.	264	21	290	516,770	4,061
	Electricity generation using solar photovoltaic technology	Construction of two 33MW photovoltaic parks.	65	21	66	123,981	3,987	
		Partial financing of the construction project for renewable energy plants	617	116	259	659,000	12,427	
		Construction of three photovoltaic plants	123	39	150	302,929	9,564	
		Design, construction, operation and maintenance of 21 photovoltaic plants with an installed capacity of 1.2 GW	1,011	17	1,200	8,405,000	14,290	
		Design, construction, operation and maintenance of 24 photovoltaic plants	991	14	1,085	1,739,000	2,505	
		Financing of three photovoltaic installations	65	10	8	15,767	1,577	
		Financing of three photovoltaic installations	45	7	35	70,791	1,159	
			Financing of two photovoltaic plants*	129	22	100	188,189	3,173
		Electricity generation from wind power	Financing of 8 wind farms*	387	65	300	868,100	14,636

# **Projects overview (2)**



Framework category	Environmental benefit	Economic activity (EU Taxonomy)	Project description	Total project cost (EUR mn)	Allocated amount (EUR mn)	Installed Capacity (MW)	Annual energy production distributed (MWh)	Annual GHG emissions avoided Tn CO2e
Energy transmission and distribution networks	Climate change mitigation	Transmission and distribution of electricity	Investment in a power transmission line project	347	91	-	-	18,681
Clean transportation  – Low carbon vehicles and infrastructure	Climate change mitigation	Urban and suburban transport, road passenger transport	Partial financing of the rolling stock investment plan for the Madrid underground system.	912	75	0	0	331
				4,957	500	3,493	12,889,527	86,390

# Case Study: Promoting sustainable transport at Metro de Madrid



Instituto de Crédito Oficial (ICO) participated in the acquisition of 80 new trains for Metro de Madrid by financing 350 million euros, 75 million of which come from ICO's 2024 Green Bond. The total project is valued at 820 million euros and aims to modernize the train fleet, improve service quality, and promote sustainable transport.

The new trains, designed for **sustainability and energy efficiency**, will contribute to the reduction of CO2 emissions. The purchase includes 40 broad gauge and 40 narrow gauge trains, primarily for lines 1 and 6. This operation will enable a more efficient redistribution of the current fleet, increasing transport capacity while retiring older models. The first units are expected to enter service in the first half of 2027.





The trains comply with accessibility, quality and comfort standards and those for line 6 are set up to incorporate automatic driving technology.

This project will contribute to the reduction of road traffic congestion and air pollution in Madrid, encouraging a modal shift towards public transport. By achieving greater transport capacity and a more comfortable and efficient travel experience for metro users, it is expected to significantly improve the quality of life in the region.

Metro de Madrid, founded in 1919, is one of the main mobility companies in the Madrid region. With more than 7,000 employees and a network extending over 295 km and 302 stations, it moves some 2.2 million users every day, guaranteeing safe and sustainable mobility in the region.

## **ICO** commitment to SRI



During 2024, ICO approved direct financing operations in different areas of sustainability (ESG) for a volume of more than EUR 3,50 bn. Among these operations, those with environmental impact (EUR 2,83 bn) stand out this year. ICO, in its commitment to the transition towards a resilient and low carbon economy, has promoted the financing of operations that contribute to the objectives of climate change mitigation and circular economy.

## **SRI** milestones

- ➤ ICO Group will channel funds from the Recovery and Resilience Facility through the EUR 22 bn ICO-Green Facility, the EUR 8.15 bn ICO-Enterprises and Entrepreneurs Facility and the EUR 4 bn ICO-Social Housing Promotion.
- ➤ ICO is a member of the Sustainable Finance Council, created in 2025 with the aim of facilitating cooperation between national public and private actors to address the challenges of the ecological transition, identify the opportunities offered by sustainable finance in Spain, and develop best practices to promote the transition towards a decarbonized, sustainable, and fair economy.
- In 2025, ICO has been reelected as member of ICMA's Advisory Council of the Executive Committee of the Principles.
- ➤ ICO is a member of OFISO (Observatorio Español de la Financiación Sostenible), a meeting, information and debate forum for companies, financial entities, public administrations, investors and other agents of the financial industry.
- As an accredited implementing partner of the European Union, ICO continues to play an important role in channeling European funds through different programs besides the Recovery and Resilience Facility: InvestEU and Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Facility Connecting Europe Facility.
- ➤ ICO's 2022-2027 Strategy identifies sustainability as a key strategic priority and sets a target of 40% for sustainable financing. This means that 40% of new financing must meet specific sustainability criteria.
- ▶ In 2024, ICO has approved the **update of its sustainability policy**, renewing its public commitment to sustainability and its adaptation to the regulations and experience acquired in this area.
- ➤ In 2024, the Spanish Climate Change Office has favorably resolved the **registration of the carbon footprint** (scope 1 and 2) of the ICO group and the obtaining of the "Calculo" seal. In addition, the Carbon Footprint of ICO's loan portfolio (scope 3) continued to be calculated in accordance with the PCAF methodology.
- In 2024, ICO has joined the PCAF initiative. This entails that ICO will disclosure the carbon footprint of its loan and investment portfolio.
- ➤ In 2024, ICO has started developing a **decarbonization plan**, which will enable the establishment of concrete goals and clear strategies to reduce emissions. This effort aligns with international standards, such as PCAF, and reinforces the commitment to sustainability and transparency.

As of the date of this report, ICO has already issued 6 Green Bonds amounting to EUR 3 bn that have help avoid 1,250,823Tn CO2e of GHG emissions annually.

### **Contribution to the SDGs**



ICO's contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals through the Green Bonds is mainly based on renewable energy, which all financed projects impact. The relevant SDGs are #3 Good Health and Well-being, #7 Affordable and Clean Energy, #11 Sustainable cities and communities, #12 Responsible Consumption and Production, and #13 Climate Action.











Furthermore, as ICO is a National Promotional Bank it also has a statutory mandate to foster economic development through financing key economic sectors. In this way, it also contributes to SDG 8 on Decent Work and Economic Growth.

