# Greening the future









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## About the SBAB Group

SBAB Bank AB (publ) ("SBAB") was founded in 1985 and is wholly owned by the Swedish state. SBAB primarily provides residential mortgages but also offers other loan and savings products to consumers, tenant-owners' associations and property companies in Sweden.

The SBAB Group consists of SBAB and the subsidiaries AB Sveriges Säkerställda Obligationer (publ) (with the parallel trade name The Swedish Covered Bond Corporation) ("SCBC") and Booli Search Technologies AB ("Booli").

SCBC s primary operations comprise the issuance of covered bonds (Sw. säkerställda obligationer) pursuant to the Swedish Act on Issuance of Covered Bonds (Sw. Lag (2003:1223) om utgivning av säkerställda obligationer), i.e. bonds or other comparable full-recourse debt instruments secured by a pool of mortgage credits (the "Cover Pool"), in the Swedish and international capital markets. SCBC does not pursue lending activities but instead acquires loans that meet certain criteria from SBAB on a regular basis. Booli develops products and services for the housing market. SBAB and SCBC are hereinafter jointly referred to as "SBAB".

# Sustainability guides our busi-ness decisions

We are living in a transformational age where sustainability is being integrated into business decisions on many levels in society, at a faster pace than ever before. We see a considerable interest in the housing market for building and buying energy efficient and climate smart housing. We also see an increase in product offerings from banks to incentivize customers to live more sustainably. Similarly, we see considerable demand from investors to fund these developments. Our green bonds enable investors to contribute to the financing of a climate smart transformation of the

Swedish housing market. I'm convinced that sustainability will be crucial for customer experience and our long-term competitiveness and profitability. Sustainability is therefore fully integrated in our business model and in our daily business decisions. All our efforts are an important part of our contribution towards the realisation of the Sustainable Development Goals within the Agenda 2030 framework.

Klas Danielsson, CEO of SBAB

# Read more about SBAB's approach to sustainability

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SBAB assigns priority to four Sustainable **Development Goals** 



# **Executive summary**

At 31 December 2020, SBAB had committed and disbursed a total of SEK 31.5 billion in Green Loans to investment projects aligned with our Green Bond Frameworks. This report presents the expected impacts of these projects as well as the impact reporting methodology we apply.

### Background

# SBAB first bank in Sweden to issue a Green Bond in 2016

In 2016, SBAB established its framework for issuing Green Bonds (the "SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016"). The Green Bond Proceeds are used exclusively to finance or refinance buildings that meet certain energy-efficiency criteria or, alternatively, hold a selectively defined environmental certification, as described further in the SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016. The framework has a Medium Green shading from the independent climate and environmental research institute CICERO.

In June 2016, SBAB became the first bank in Sweden to issue Green Bonds. The SEK 2.0 billion Green Bond was issued out of the Euro Medium Term Note (EMTN) Programme, in Senior Unsecured format with a tenor of five years. During October 2017, SBAB issued its second Green Bond amounting to SEK 1.75 billion.

# SBAB launches updated framework to enable issuance of Green Covered Bonds

In January 2019 SBAB published an updated framework for the issue of Green Bonds (the "SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019"). This was for reasons including encompassing a new and broader green customer offering, including SBAB's Green Residential Mortgages to private individuals, as well as to enabling further future issues of green bonds in other formats. The framework enables SBAB to issue notes in the form of green bonds under SBAB's EMTN programme as well as SCBC to issue covered bonds in the form of green bonds under SCBC's Euro Medium Term Covered Note (EMTCN) Programme, as described further in the SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019. The updated framework has a Medium Green shading from CICERO. Furthermore, CICERO's overall assessment of the governance structure of the framework is a rating of Excellent.

In January 2019, SBAB became the first bank in Sweden to issue a Green Covered Bond backed by residential mortgages and property loans. The Bond was issued out of the SCBC's EMTCN Programme. The transaction amounted to SEK 6.0 billion with a tenor of five years. On 13 June 2019, SBAB issued its second Green Bond under the updated green bond framework. The SEK 3.0 billion Green Bond was issued in Senior Non-Preferred format with a tenor of five years. The Bond was issued out of the SBAB's EMTN Programme: On 6 May 2020, SBAB issued its third Green Bond under the "SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019". The EUR 500 million Green Bond was issued in Senior-Unsecured format with a tenor of five years.

### Result as of 31 December 2020

#### **Outstanding Green Bonds**

Issuer	Issue date	Amount issued	Format	Maturity	Coupon	ISIN	Framework
SBAB	16 June, 2016	SEK 1.0bn	Senior	23 June, 2021	1.048%	XS1436518606	SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016
		SEK 1.0bn	Unsecured	23 June, 2021	3M Stibor +95 bps	XS1436728916	SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016
SBAB	4 October, 2017	SEK 1.0bn	Senior	11 October, 2022	0.98%	XS1697577556	SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016
		SEK 750mn	Unsecured	11 October, 2022	3M Stibor +75 bps	XS1697766951	SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016
SCBC	23 January, 2019	SEK 6.0bn	Covered bond	28 March, 2024	0.75%	XS1943443769	SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019
SBAB	13 June, 2019	SEK 2.25bn	Senior	06 June, 2024	3M Stibor +90 bps	XS2015229516	SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019
		SEK 0.75bn		06 June, 2024	1.0%	XS2015229862	SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019
SBAB	6 May, 2020	EUR 500 mn (equiv SEK 5.3 bn)	Senior Unsecured	13 may, 2025	0.50%	XS2173114542	SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019
Total		CEV 10 DE ha					

Total SEK 18.05 bn

### **Impact Reporting**

#### SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016

At 31 December 2020, SBAB had disbursed and/or committed a total of SEK 4.35 billion in Eligible Green Loans to investment projects as defined in SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016. These projects are estimated to generate an annual avoidance in GHG emissions corresponding to 999 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e. SBAB's share of the financing is estimated to correspond to an annual avoidance of 624 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e. That in turn corresponds to an estimated avoidance of 0.14 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e per committed/disbursed SEK 1 million and year.

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Eligible Green Loans

# SEK 4.35 billion

Expected annual avoidance of GHG emissions

# 624 tCO<sub>2</sub>e

Expected annual avoidance of GHG emissions per committed/disbursed SEK 1 million

0.14 tCO<sub>2</sub>e

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#### SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019

At 31 December 2020, SBAB had disbursed a total of SEK 27.15 billionin Eligible Green Loans to investment projects as defined in SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019. These projects are estimated to generate an annual avoidance in GHG emissions corresponding to 21,553 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e. SBAB's share of the financing is estimated to correspond to an annual avoidance of 10,980 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e. That in turn corresponds to an estimated avoidance of 0.40 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e per disbursed SEK 1 million and year.

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Eligible Green Loans

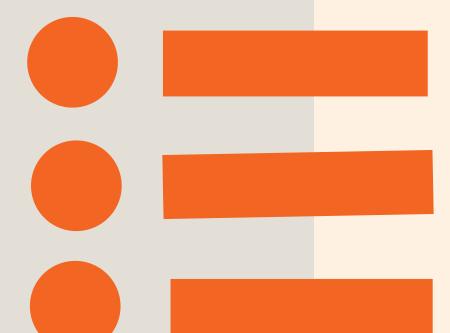
# SEK 27.15 billion

Expected annual avoidance of GHG emissions

10 980 tCO<sub>2</sub>e

Expected annual avoidance of GHG emissions per disbursed SEK 1 million

0.40 tCO<sub>2</sub>e





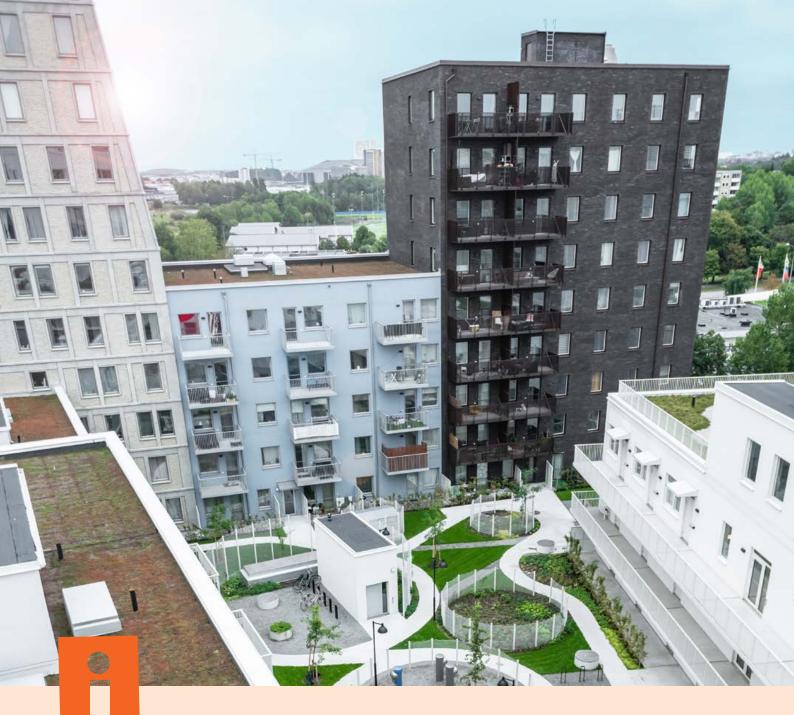
Insight

# Mölndal Stallbacken 23

Stallbacken 23 is located in the Åby area near Mölndals Innerstad with shops and services, as well as good communications by bus, tram or commuter train to Gothenburg. Åby trotting track is right next door and it is close to recreation in Safjället's nature reserve.

The two apartment buildings with an intermediate garage are founded on a concrete slab that is piled. The concrete frames in the house are well insulated, which gives low energy use. The heat pump system has a smart control system that contributes further. In the basement of the houses there is storage for apartments, bicycle rooms and technology rooms. Hot and cold water as well as electricity are measured individually per apartment, which means that each tenant can influence their monthly cost via their consumption. It provides additional incentives to keep energy use down. Entry to the property took place during the fourth quarter of 2017.

Framework:	SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016
Eligible Category in framework:	Category 1, Energy efficient building, EPC B
Year of completion:	2017
Total energy performance/year:	63 kWh/m2
Baseline (energy requirement according to BBR:	80 kWh/m2
Project full expected GHG emissions avoided:	9.38 tCO₂e/year
SBAB financed expected GHG emissions avoided:	7.04 tCO <sub>2</sub> e/year



Insight

# Sundbyberg Freden Större 13

The property Sundbyberg Freden Större 13 is located in northern Sundbyberg, Stockholm. With this property we have created a completely new area called Umami Park, which is located 300 meters from the center of Hallonbergen with shops and metro. The frames in the houses are made of concrete and good insulation in both walls and windows and makes the houses tight, which lays the foundation for low energy use. The house has a heat pump system installed which also contributes to the smart control system. In the basement of the houses there is storage for the apartments as well as technology rooms and bicycle rooms. Some bicycle rooms are also located on the ground floor. Electricity and hot and cold water are measured individually, which also means that energy use can be kept low. Entry to the property took place during the second quarter of 2020.

SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016
Category 1, Energy efficient building, EPC B
2020
43 kWh/m2
90 kWh/m2
97.51 tCO₂e/year

SBAB financed expected GHG emis-  $73.13\ tCO_2e/year$  sions avoided:

# Impact Report as of 31 December 2020

## Impact Report SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016

			Construction loans				(tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> e/year)		
Eligible Category	#Objects		Committed, SEK million	(Of which disbursed, SEK million)	Mortgage loans, SEK million	Total eli- gible volumes	Full project expected GHG emissions avoided	SBAB financed expected GHG emissions avoided	SBAB Green Bond financed expexted GHG emissions avoided
Category 1									
Energy efficienct buildings (EPC A or B and/or certification)	30	-	505	267	3,714	4,219	893	570	
Category 2									
Reduction of energy usage	1	53	-	-	139	139	106	54	
Total						4,358	999	624	538

Estimated avoidance of GHG emissions

Impact Report SBAB Group
Green Bond Framework 2019

Green Bond Framew	_		Eligibl	e volumes (SEK n	nn)		
Eligible Category	Eligible Green Loan	#Objects	EPC A	EPC B	EPC C (Construction initiated before 1 January 2014)	Other	Total
Retail							
Energy efficient buildings	Residential mortgages (Sw. bolån)	9 411	684	6 969	14599	-	22 252
Reduction of energy usage	Residential mortgages and/or consumer Ioan (Sw. Privatlån)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corporate Clients & Tenant-Owners' Associa	ations						
Energy efficient and green buildings; new constructions and major renovations	Corporate loans	-	-	-	-	-	-
Energy efficient buildings	Corporate loans Loans to tenant-owners' associations (Sw. bostadsrättsförening)	186	47	1 222	3 267		4 536
Reduction of energy usage	Corporate loans Loans to tenant-owners' associations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Energy efficiency and other green investments	SBAB Green Loans to tenant-owners' associations and corporations	62	-	-	-	360	360
Total		9 659	731	8191	17866	360	27148

#### Results 2016

At 31 December 2020, SBAB had disbursed a total of SEK 4.35 billion in Eligible Green Loans to investment projects as defined in SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2016. These projects are estimated to generate an annual avoidance in GHG emissions corresponding to 999 tonnes CO $_2$ e. SBAB's share of the financing is estimated to correspond to an annual avoidance of 624 tonnes CO $_2$ e. That in turn corresponds to an estimated avoidance of 0.14 tonnes CO $_2$ e per disbursed SEK 1 million and year.

In addition to these eligible projects, SBAB has other yet unclasssified loan assets (mainly construction loans) that may qualify to serve as the basis for issuing green bonds.

At year-end, outstanding Green Bonds within the SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2020 amounted to SEK 3.75 billion. These Green Bonds are estimated to generate an annual avoidance of 538 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e.

More information about the respective eligible category is available in Annex II. The framework is available in full on sbab.se.

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Eligible Green Loans & Estimated annual avoidance of GHG emissions

SEK 4.35 billion → 624 tCO<sub>2</sub>e

Outstanding Green Bonds & Estimated annual avoidance of GHG emissions

SEK 3.75 billion  $\rightarrow$  538 tCO<sub>2</sub>e

#### Estimated avoidance of GHG emissions (tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e/year)

EPC A	EPC B	EPC C (Construc- tion initiated before 1 January 2014)	Other	sions	SBAB finan- ced expected GHG emis- sions avoided	GHĠ emis-
780	4 802	8 9 3 3	-	14 515	8 725	
-	-	-	-	-	-	
			-			
-	-	-	-	-	-	
136	1507	5 395	_	7 038	2 255	
-	-	-	-	-	-	
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-	-	-	n/a	n/a	n/a	
916	6 309	14328		21 553	10980	5 783

#### Results 2019

At 31 December 2020, SBAB had disbursed a total of SEK 27.15 billion in Eligible Green Loans to investment projects as defined in SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019. These projects are estimated to generate an annual avoidance in GHG emissions corresponding to 21 553 tonnes  $CO_2e$ . SBAB's share of the financing is estimated to correspond to an annual avoidance of 10 980 tonnes  $CO_2e$ . That in turn corresponds to an estimated avoidance of 0.40 tonnes  $CO_2e$  per disbursed SEK 1 million and year.

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At year-end, outstanding Green Bonds within the SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019 amounted to SEK 14.3 billion. These Green Bonds are estimated to generate an annual avoidance of 5 783 tonnes CO2e.

More information about the respective eligible category is available in Annex II. The framework is available in full on <a href="mailto:sbab.se">sbab.se</a>.

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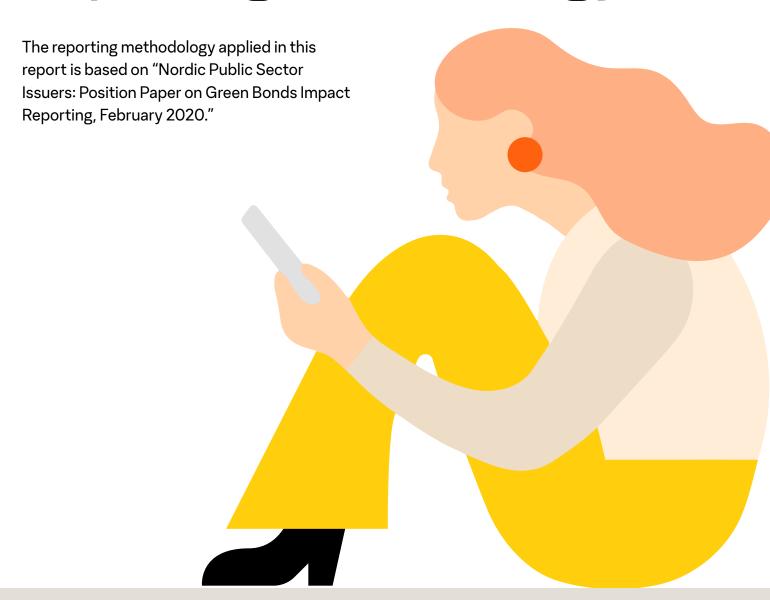
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Outstanding Green Bonds & Estimated annual avoidance of GHG emissions

SEK 14.3 billion → 5 783 tCO<sub>2</sub>e

# Reporting methodology



### SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016

The expected avoidance of GHG emissions has been calculated based on how much less energy each Eligible Project's actual or expected energy consumption is compared with the allowed consumption as stated in the National Board of Housing, Building and Planning's building codes for new construction (Energy Class C). Thereafter, reduction in GHG emissions have been estimated for each Eligible Project based on average GHG emissions per kWh.

#### Calculation formula

 $\rightarrow$  (A-(B-C)) x D x E = Full project GHG emissions avoided x F

A = Allowed energy consumption per m2 Atemp and year (see "Baseline methodology" for definitions and details)

**B** = Expected/actual energy consumption per m2 Atemp and year

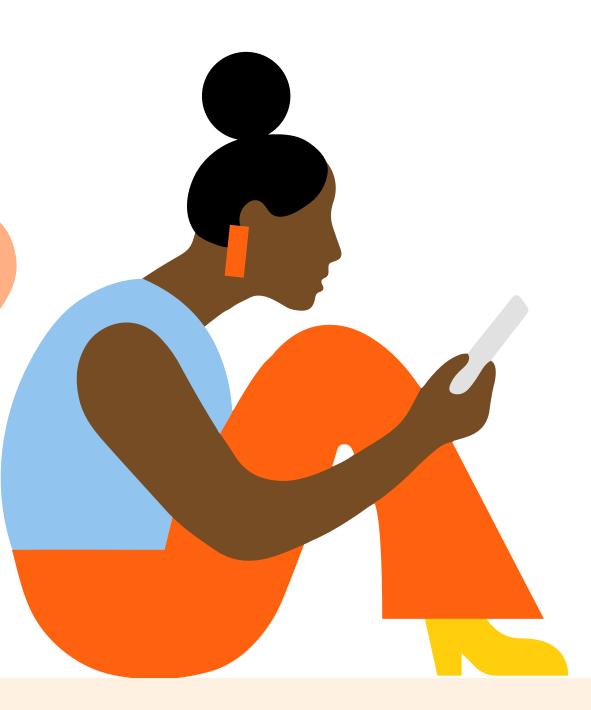
**C** = Own energy production per m2 Atemp and year

**D** = Object size, m2 Atemp

**E** = Average GHG emissions per kWh (see "Methodology for calculating GHG emissions per building category" for definitions and details)

**F** = SBAB's share of the financing<sup>1)</sup>

<sup>1)</sup> Expected/actual amounts disbursed relative to the production cost



### SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019

The expected avoidance of GHG emissions has been calculated based on how much less energy each Eligible Projects' actual or expected energy consumption is compared with average energy consumption for existing buildings (buildings with construction year before 1 January 2014) or allowed energy consumption as stated in the National Board of Housing, Building and Planning's building codes for new buildings (buildings with construction year after 1 January 2014). Avoided GHG emissions have been estimated for each object based on average emissions per kWh (depending on type of object).

#### Calculation formula

 $\rightarrow$  (A-B) x C x D = Full project GHG emissions avoided x E

- A = Baseline for energy consumption per m2 Atemp and year (see "Baseline methodology" for definitions and details)
- **B** = Expected or actual energy consumption per m2 Atemp and year
- C = Object size, m2 Atemp
- **D** = Average GHG emissions (CO<sub>2</sub>e) per kWh (see "Methodology for calculating GHG emissions per building category" for definitions and details)
- **E** = SBAB's share of the financing<sup>1)</sup>

 $<sup>^{1)}</sup>$  Existing buildings = Loan relative to the market value. Buildings under construction = Expected amounts disbursed relative to the production cost

# Baseline methodology

#### Buildings with construction year after 1 January 2014

The energy performance for Energy Class C per climate zone, expressed in kWh/m2/ year, is used as baseline. 1 January 2014 was the date when the new energy class requirements (EPC) became mandatory in the building regulations (BBR25) with minimum requirement of Energy Class C for all new buildings.

Additional information is available in Annex III.

Clin	natezone	Energy Class requirements in building code	Energy performance per climate zone
1	Norrbotten, Västerbotten and Jämtland counties	С	130 kWh/m2/year
2	Västernorrlands, Gävleborg, Dalarnas and Värmland county	С	110 kWh/m2/year
3	Jönköpings, Kronobergs, Östergötlands, Södermanlands, Örebro, Västmanlands, Stockholm, Uppsala, Gotland County and Västra Götaland County except the municipalities of Gothenburg, Härryda, Mölndal, Partille and Öckerö	С	90 kWh/m2/year
4	Kalmar, Blekinge, Skåne and Halland counties and in Västra Götaland County, the municipalities of Gothenburg, Härryda, Mölndal, Partille and Öckerö	C	80 kWh/m2/year

#### Buildings with construction year before 1 January 2014

The average energy performance within the average Energy Class (per Climate Zone)1 expressed in kWh/m2/year is used as baseline. January 1, 2014 was the date when the new Energy Class requirements (Energy Perfomance Certificate, EPC) became mandatory in the building regulations (BBR25) with minimum requirement of Energy Class C for all new buildings.



→ Additional information is available in Annex III.

<sup>1)</sup> Report from the Swedish Board of Housing, Building and Planning (2020) "Statistics on energy declaration"

Climatezone		Average Energy Class per climate zone	Average energy performance within the Energy Class		
1	Norrbotten, Västerbotten and Jämtland	D	152.75 kWh/m2/year		
	counties		$ \begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Calculation:} 130 kWh/m2/year (requirement within Energy Class C) x 117.5% (added average energy consumption within Energy Class D (100-135% above requirements within Energy Class C)) = 152.75kWh/m2/year \\ \end{tabular} $		
2	Västernorrlands, Gävleborg, Dalarnas and	D	129,25 kWh/m2/year		
	Värmland county		Calculation: 110 kWh/m2/year (requirement within Energy Class C) x 117.5% (added average energy consumption within Energy Class D (100-135% above requirements within Energy Class C)) = 129.25kWh/m2/year		
3	Jönköpings, Kronobergs, Östergötlands,	Е	141.75 kWh/m2/year		
	Södermanlands, Örebro, Västmanlands, Stockholm, Uppsala, Gotland County and Västra Götaland County except the municipalities of Gothenburg, Härryda, Mölndal, Partille and Öckerö		eq:calculation: 90 kWh/m2/year (requirement within Energy Class C) x 157.5% (added average energy consumption within Energy Class E (135-180% above requirements within Energy Class C)) = 141.75 kWh/m2/year		
4	Kalmar, Blekinge, Skåne and Halland	E	126.00 kWh/m2/year		
tl	counties and in Västra Götaland County, the municipalities of Gothenburg, Härryda, Mölndal, Partille and Öckerö		Calculation: 80 kWh/m2/year (requirement within Energy Class C) x 157.5% (added average energy consumption within Energy Class E (135-180% above requirements within Energy Class C)) = 126.00 kWh/m2/year		

# Methodology for calculating GHG emissions per building category

# GHG emissions (CO<sub>2</sub>e) per kWh for multifamily buildings and corporate properties (sw. flerbostadshus)

District heating is the most common heating sources followed by electricity.<sup>1</sup>

Heating sources	% distribution	Gram CO₂e per kWh		
District heating	91%	63 g CO <sub>2</sub> e per kWh <sup>2</sup>		
Electricity	9%	315 g CO₂e per kWh²		

 $(0.91 \times 63 \text{ g}) + (0.09 \times 315 \text{ g}) = 85.68 \text{ g CO}_2\text{e per kWh}$ 

# GHG emissions per kWh for single family houses (sw. småhus)

Electricity is the most common heating sources, followed by biofuels and district heating.  $^{\rm 1}$ 

Heating sources	% distribution	Gram CO₂e per kWh
Electricity	47%	315 g CO₂e per kWh²
Biofuels (wood, pellets)	36%	16.1 g CO <sub>2</sub> e per kWh <sup>3</sup>
District heating	17%	63 g CO₂e per kWh²

 $(0.47 \times 315 \text{ g}) + (0.36 \times 16.1 \text{ g}) + (0.17 \times 63 \text{ g}) = 164.55 \text{ g CO}_2\text{e per kWh}$ 



<sup>1)</sup> Report from the Swedish Energy Agency (2016) "Energy statistics for multi-dwelling buildings"

<sup>2)</sup> Report from the Nordic Public Sector Issuers (2020) "Position Paper on Green Bonds Impact Reporting"

 $<sup>^{1)}\,</sup>$  Report from the Swedish Energy Agency (2016) "Energy statistics for single houses"

<sup>2)</sup> Report from the Nordic Public Sector Issuers (2020) "Position Paper on Green Bonds Impact Reporting"

<sup>3)</sup> Report from the Swedish Environmental Research Institute (2015) "Greenhouse gas emissions for Swedish pellet production"

# Auditor's Limited Assurance Report on SBAB's Green Bond Impact Report

To SBAB Bank AB (publ), corporate identity number 556253-7513

#### Introduction

We have been engaged by SBAB Bank AB (publ), ("SBAB") to undertake a limited assurance engagement of the Green Bond Impact reporting ("Reporting") for the year 2020 set out in this document.

# Responsibilities of SBAB's management

SBAB's Management is responsible for the preparation of the Reporting in accordance with the applicable criteria, as explained in the SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016 and the SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019 (available at

https://www.sbab.se/1/in\_english/investor\_relations/sbab\_unsecured\_funding/ sbab\_green\_bond.html), as well as the accounting and calculation principles that the Company has developed. This responsibility also includes the internal control relevant to the preparation of the Reporting that is free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Responsibilities of the auditor

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the Reporting based on the limited assurance procedures we have performed. Our engagement is limited to historical information presented and does therefore not cover future-oriented information.

We conducted our limited assurance engagement in accordance with ISAE 3000 Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information. A limited assurance engagement consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for the preparation of the Reporting, and applying analytical and other limited assurance procedures. The procedures performed in a limited assurance engagement vary in nature from, and are less in extent than for, a reasonable assurance engagement conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and other generally accepted auditing standards in Sweden.

The firm applies ISQC 1 (International Standard on Quality Control) and accordingly maintains a comprehensive system of quality control including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements. We are independent of SBAB in accordance with professional ethics for accountants in Sweden and have otherwise fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

The procedures performed consequently do not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in a reasonable assurance engagement.

Accordingly, the conclusion of the procedures performed do not express a reasonable assurance conclusion.

Our procedures are based on the criteria defined by SBAB's Management as described above. We consider these criteria suitable for the preparation of the Reporting.

We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our conclusion below.

#### Conclusions

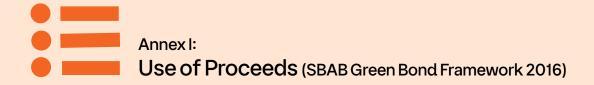
Based on the limited assurance procedures we have performed, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the Green Bond Impact Report for the year 2020, is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the applicable criteria, as explained in the SBAB Green Bond Framework 2016 and the SBAB Group Green Bond Framework 2019.

Solna 23 March 2021

Deloitte AB

Patrick Honeth Authorized Public Accountant

Adrian Fintling Expert Member of FAR



A loan provided by SBAB will become an eligible loan (each an "SBAB Eligible Green Loan") if it is used to finance or refinance a project which fulfils one of the below criteria.

Eligible Category	Eligibility Criteria
Category 1	
Energy efficienct buildings (EPC A or B and/or certification)	ls either a new construction, a rehabilitation or major renovation by a corporate entity or a tenant-owner association (Sw. bostadsrättsförening) of one or more of its residential or commercial buildings which has/have obtained or will obtain:
	(i) an energy performance certificate (Sw. <i>energideklaration</i> ) issued by the Swedish National Board of Housing, Building and Planning (Sw. <i>Boverket</i> ) (an "Energy Performance Certificate"), regardless of energy class; and
	(ii) at least one of the following certifications (or similar): Energy Performance Certificate with energy class A or B;
	<ul> <li>Energy Performance Certificate with energy class A or B;</li> </ul>
	Miljöbyggnad (minimum certification "silver");
	Svanen (Eng. Nordic Swan);
	• Passivhus (Eng. Passive House);
	· Green Building;
	LEED (minimum certification "gold"); or
	BREEAM or BREEAM-SE (minimum certification "excellent").
Category 2	
Reduction of energy usage	A rehabilitation or major renovation by a corporate entity or a tenant-owner association of one or more of its residential or commercial buildings where the final energy use per square meter and year will be or has been reduced by at least 35 per cent.

A loan provided and held by the SBAB Group will become an eligible loan (each an **"Eligible Green Loan"**) if it fulfils the eligibility criteria of one of the below categories.

Each Eligible Green Loan (other than a consumer loan) is primarily secured either by mortgages (Sw. pantbrev) pledged in

favour of an entity in the SBAB Group if the loan relates to a property (Sw. fast egendom) or a by a pledge in favour of an entity in the SBAB Group if the loan relates to a tenant-owners' right. In certain cases, the Eligible Green Loans are also secured by a share pledge or through a guarantee.

The loan may be regarded as an Eligible Green Loan during 10 years from the time of selection in accordance with Section 3 in the Framework.

Eligible Category	Eligible Green Loan	Eligibility Criteria
Retail		
Energy efficient buildings	Residential retail mortgage loans (Sw. bolån)  SBAB product: SBAB Group green mortgage loan (Sw. Grönt Bolån)	Properties (Sw. fastigheter) owned by one or more individuals where the building on such property (i) has obtained an EPC with energy class A or B (where the construction was initiated on or after 1 January 2014); (ii) has obtained an EPC with energy class A, B or C (where the construction was initiated before 1 January 2014); or (iii) has an energy performance equivalent to a new EPC with the required criteria set out in (i) or (ii) above (as applicable); or  Tenant-owners' rights (Sw. bostadsrätter) held by one or more individuals where the building owned by the tenant-owner association (Sw. bostadsrättsförening) to which the tenant-owners' right relate (i) has obtained an EPC with energy class A or B (where the construction was initiated on or after 1 January 2014); (ii) has obtained an EPC with energy class A, B or C (where the construction was initiated before 1 January 2014); or (iii) has an energy performance equivalent to a new EPC with the required criteria set out in (i) or (ii) above (as applicable).
Reduction of energy usage	Residential retail mortgage loan and/or consumer loan (Sw. privatlån)	Buildings where the final energy use per sq.m. & year on the property has been reduced by at least 30%, as evidence e.g. by a new EPC.
Energy efficient and green buildings; new constructions and major renovations	Corporate loans	New constructions, including rehabilitations or major renovations, of one or more residential or commercial buildings where the project plan specifies that the intention is either to obtain at least one of the below certifications or to construct/renovate the building according to such certification methods.  (i) EPC with energy class A or B;  (ii) Miljöbyggnad, (minimum certification "silver");  (iii) Svanen (Eng. Nordic Swan);  (iv) Passivhus (Eng. Passive House); or  (v) Green Building.  A building is deemed to be a new construction during the planning phase, the construction or renovation phase (as applicable) and until an EPC has been obtained ("Completion").
	— Corporate loans	<ul><li>(v) Green Building.</li><li>A building is deemed to be a new construction during the planning phase, the construction or renovation phase (as</li></ul>
Energy efficient buildings	Loans to tenant-owners' associations (Sw. bostadsrättsförening)	such property (i) has obtained an EPC with energy class A or B (where the construction was initiated on or after 1 Jan- uary 2014); (ii) has obtained an EPC with energy class A, B or C (where the construction was initiated before 1 January 2014); or (iii) has an energy performance equivalent to a new EPC with the required criteria set out in (i) or (ii) above (a applicable).
Reduction of energy usage	Corporate loans Loans to tenant-owners' asso- ciations	Buildings where the final energy use per sq.m. & year on the property has been reduced by at least 30%, as evidence e.g. by a new EPC.
Energy efficiency and other green investments	SBAB Green Loans to tenant-owners' associations and corporations	<ul> <li>Activities in buildings where the project plan specifies that the intention is either to reduce the energy use in such building (e.g. new heat source) or to have an environment enhancing impact (e.g. removal of certain materials such as PCBs) and has qualified to be an SBAB Group green loan (Sw. Gröna Lån) in accordance with the terms set out from time to time on www.sbab.se.</li> </ul>
	SBAB product: SBAB Green Loan (Sw. Gröna Lån)	

For the avoidance of doubt, net proceeds of a Green Bond will not be allocated to fossil energy generation, nuclear energy generation, research and/or development within weapons and defence, potentially environmentally negative resource extraction (such as rare-earth elements or fossil fuels), gambling or tobacco. Neither SBAB nor SCBC provides any loans for the financing of any of the above.



#### **Energy performance measures**

Energy consumption is described in the energy performance certificate in terms of energy performance measures. Energy performance measures indicate how much energy is consumed by heating, airconditioning, hot tap water and the building's property electricity. All energy consumed for this in one entire year is aggregated and divided by the heated surface of the building. The result is the number of kilowatt-hours (kWh) used per square meter (m2). Energy performance is expressed in terms of the unit kWh/m2 and year.

#### Energy classes from A to G

Energy classification is included in the certificates to make it easier to compare buildings with each other and to get an idea of their energy consumption. Energy Class A stands for low energy consumption, and G stands for high. A building that has an energy consumption corresponding to the requirement imposed on a newly built building today is placed in Class C.

#### Seven energy classes A to G



Source: www.boverket.se

The seven classes on the scale are based on the energy consumption requirement imposed on new buildings built today. These requirements can be found in the building code, BBR (BFS 2011:6) and depend on the type of building, if it is electrically heated or not, and where in Sweden it is situated. Energy Class C corresponds to the particular requirement that would apply to the building if it were built today. Below is a list showing what each energy class stands for.

**EP** = Energy performance measures of the building in question

≤ = less than or equal to

> = more than

**A** = EP is  $\leq 50$  percent of the requirement for a new building.

B = EP is  $> 50 - \le 75$  percent of the requirement for a new building.

C = EP is > 75 - ≤ 100 percent of the requirement for a new building.

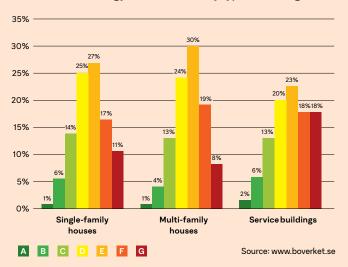
D = EP is > 100 - ≤ 135 percent of the requirement for a new building. E = EP is > 135 - ≤ 180 percent of the requirement for a new building.

F = EP is > 180 - ≤ 235 percent of the requirement for a new building.

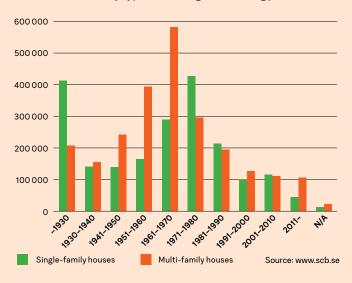
G = EP is > 235 percent of the requirement for a new building.

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#### Distribution of energy classes (A to G) by type of housing



#### Number of homes by type of housing and building period



#### Distribution of energy classes (A to G) per climate zone

