

Caisse Francaise de Financement Local

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Ratings

SFIL

	Rating	Outlook
Fitch	-	-
Moody's	Aa2	Stable
S&P	AA	Negative

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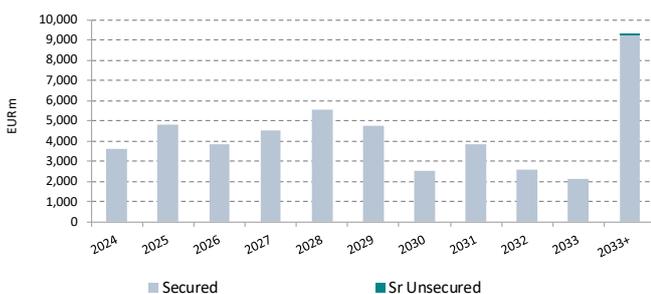
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Caisse Francaise de Financement Local (CAFFIL) emerged in 2013 from the acquisition of Dexia Municipal Agency (Dexia MA) by the newly founded public-sector credit institution Societe de Financement Local (SFIL; banking license since Q1/2013). Following the acquisition, Dexia MA was renamed CAFFIL and now operates as an accredited Societe de Credit Foncier (SCF). Since September 2020, 99.99% of SFIL has been owned by Caisse des Depots. The French state retained ownership of one share and is still entitled to appoint a non-voting member of SFIL's Board of Directors. Today, CAFFIL is still a wholly owned subsidiary of SFIL. CAFFIL is responsible for refinancing loans from La Banque Postale to public institutions by issuing Covered Bonds (Obligations Foncieres). Since November 2022, loans from Banque des Territoires to public institutions have also been refinanced through Covered Bonds. In order to be able to fulfill this task, SFIL has issued both a support and a funding declaration. According to its own statement, CAFFIL has been the leading institution for refinancing public sector loans in France for over ten years. CAFFIL issues between EUR 4.0bn and EUR 6.0bn in Covered Bonds each year. In addition to the EUR benchmark segment, CAFFIL is also active in the Covered Bond market with private placements. Funding has also been supplemented by ESG formats (green and social bonds) since 2019. As at the end of December 2023, ESG assets with a total volume of EUR 6.8bn were included in the cover pool. Around 57% of these assets are loans designed to provide access to healthcare services.

Balance Sheet

(EURm)	2020Y	2021Y	2022Y
Net Loans to Customers	50,366	49,522	47,152
Total Securities	16,430	12,549	7,393
Total Deposits	-	-	-
Tier 1 Common Capital	-	-	-
Total Assets	72,461	71,154	63,223
Total Risk-weighted Assets	4,672	3,777	3,370

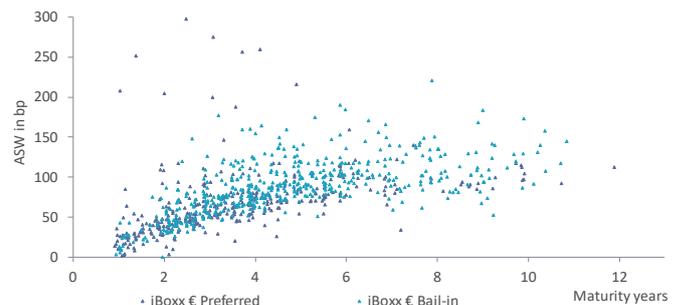
Redemption Profile



Income Statement

(EURm)	2020Y	2021Y	2022Y
Net Interest Income	126	152	166
Net Fee & Commission Inc.	16	1	-3
Net Trading Income	20	54	30
Operating Expense	104	104	110
Credit Commit. Impairment	-9	-4	-5
Pre-tax Profit	59	102	130

Senior Unsecured Bonds (EUR BMK)



Company Ratios

	2020Y	2021Y	2022Y	2020Y	2021Y	2022Y	
Net Interest Margin	0.18	0.21	0.25	Liquidity Coverage Ratio	176.00	771.00	100.00
ROAE	2.98	3.94	6.53	IFRS Tier 1 Leverage Ratio	-	-	-
Cost-to-Income	64.20	50.73	56.99	NPL/ Loans at Amortised Cost	0.98	0.57	0.44
Core Tier 1 Ratio	-	-	-	Reserves/Loans at Amort. Cost	0.06	0.05	0.04

Per 11.03.2024; Quelle: Bloomberg, S&P Global Market Intelligence, NORD/LB Floor Research

Strengths / Opportunities

- Indirectly state-owned
- Unit within the Group

Risks / Weaknesses

- Profitability
- Leverage

Covered Bonds

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Public sector cover pool comprises EUR 61.2bn

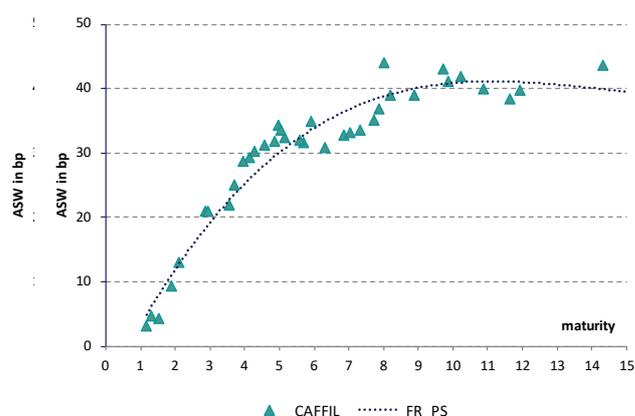
As at the reporting date of December 31, 2023, the issuer CAFFIL had an outstanding volume of publicly secured Covered Bonds in accordance with French legislation (Obligations Foncières) in the amount of EUR 53.2bn. This is offset by a cover pool with a volume of EUR 61.2bn. The current overcollateralization ratio is therefore 15.0%, while the statutory minimum overcollateralization is 5% and the voluntary minimum is 10%. In the current composition of the iBoxx EUR Covered benchmark index, the bank is represented with a total of 39 issues, with the outstanding volume of public sector Covered Bonds amounting to EUR 37.8bn.

Programme data

31 December 2023	Public Sector
Covered bonds outstanding	EUR 53,232m
Cover pool volume	EUR 61,199m
Current OC (nominal / legal)	15.0% / 5.0%
Type	95.5% Public Sector
Main country	92.8% France
Main regions	28.2% Ile-de-France
Number of loans / exposures	38,316
10 largest exposures	21.4%
Fixed interest (Cover Pool / CBs)	68.1% / 95.3%
WAL (Cover Pool / CBs)	6.8y / 6.2y
NPL	0.1%
CB Rating (Fitch / Moody's / S&P)	- / Aaa / AA+

Quelle: Emittent, Ratingagenturen, Bloomberg, NORD/LB Floor Research

Spread overview (BMK) – France



The majority of the cover assets are of French origin

CAFFIL's cover pool has primary cover assets with a volume of EUR 58.4bn, resulting in a replacement cover ratio of 4.5%. In addition, 91.0% of the public primary cover consists of loans, while the remaining 9.0% is attributable to the "Bonds" and "Other" items. In terms of the distribution of debtors, the largest share is attributable to the local and municipal authorities category (49.9%), followed by regional authorities and federal states (19.7%). In terms of geographical distribution, France accounts for the largest share of assets (92.8%). The next largest shares are in Italy (5.6%), Spain and Switzerland (0.5% and 0.4% respectively). With a share of 28.2%, the Ile-de-France region is the region to which the most cover assets are allocated. It is followed by the Auvergne-Rhone-Alpes (10.2%) and Hauts-de-France (8.5%) regions. While 95.3% of the outstanding Covered Bonds have a fixed coupon, the proportion of fixed-interest cover assets is 68.1%. The granularity of the cover pool is characterized by a total of 38,316 public exposures, which have an average exposure amount of EUR 1.5m. The ten largest exposures account for 21.4%.

Rating and regulatory treatment

The program for issuing publicly secured Covered Bonds is rated Aaa and AA+ by the rating agencies Moody's and Standard & Poor's respectively. Based on the rating, a risk weight of 10% is applicable for the issuer's Covered Bonds in accordance with the CRR. In addition, we consider EUR benchmark transactions to be suitable as Level 1 assets for LCR management purposes. The issuer's Covered Bonds are also suitable as collateral in transactions with the ECB and the issues can be marketed as European Covered Bond (Premium).

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