

Evonik successfully issues second green bond

- Sustainability as integral part of Evonik's finance strategy
- Proceeds primarily used to finance investments in Next Generation Solutions
- Volume of €750 million with maturity in 2027 fits well into balanced maturity profile

Essen, Germany. Evonik Industries AG successfully issued a green bond with a nominal volume of \in 750 million on Wednesday to refinance an upcoming bond maturity in January 2023 in the same volume. The senior bond is the specialty chemical company's second green finance issuance after the first green hybrid bond in summer 2021. It is based on Evonik's <u>Green Finance Framework</u> published on August 24, 2021, which established sustainability as integral part of Evonik's finance strategy.

As part of its transformation, Evonik sets itself ambitious sustainability targets. Amongst others, the sales share of products with superior sustainability benefits – Next Generation Solutions – shall be increased from 37 % in 2021 to over 50 % by 2030. The majority of the bond proceeds will therefore be allocated to finance investments in Next Generation Solutions. These include, for example, biosurfactants, innovative insulation materials and membranes for gas filtration.

The green bond was significantly oversubscribed and generated strong interest from a broad base of investors, especially institutional investors with a strong focus on sustainability. The interest coupon is 2.25 % per year with a term of 5 years and 4 months.

The bond will be rated in line with the ratings of Evonik Industries AG, which are a Baa2 (outlook stable) at Moody's and BBB+ at S&P (outlook stable).

The issuance was arranged by Barclays, Commerzbank, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, Mizuho and Société Générale as joint bookrunners. May 20, 2022

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Company information

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