

AGENCE FRANCE LOCALE CONFIRMS THE QUALITY OF ITS CREDIT STANDING DURING THE FIRST SEMESTER 2019

At the end of May, Agence France Locale (AFL), the French local authorities' bank launched successfully a new public issue of €500 million. This fifth public benchmark was very well received by investors, demonstrating their confidence in AFL credit standing, acknowledged by both Moody's and Standard & Poor's and that relies on local authority members' credit quality.

A fifth public benchmark launched with success

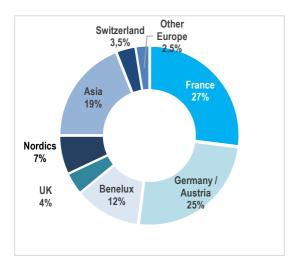
This 7-year public benchmark of €500 million, listed on Euronext and Luxembourg Stock Exchange was launched at the end of May by AFL. It was very well received with a diversified and high quality order book in excess of €900 million with more than 50 accounts.

The transaction was executed at a margin of 32 basis points above the Government bond curve (Obligations Assimilables du Trésor – OAT).

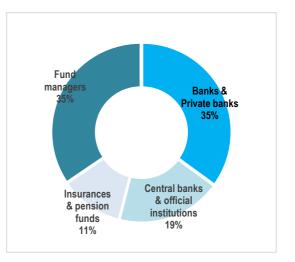
According to Yves Millardet, Chairman of the Executive Board of AFL : "The success of this transaction once again demonstrates the recognition by investors in the model and the development of AFL, which just took a new step forward with the assignment by S&P of a second rating (AA-, stable outlook)".

This bond issue is characterised by a strong investor diversification:

Geographical distribution



Type of investors



Cost efficient private placement transactions

In addition to the 7-year public transaction, AFL has executed since the beginning of the year, several private placements for an aggregate amount of €133 million. For instance, AFL launched recently a private placement of SEK 500 million (swedish krona) with a 15-year maturity at 26 basis points above OAT.

At the end of June, the bank has achieved 80% of its 2019 borrowing programme.

The proceeds of AFL bond issues aim to provide local authorities with an access to cost-efficient resources enabling them to finance their investment expenditures including energy transition, digital deployment, water and sewerage systems, transport, educational facilities building, cultural and sports equipments, revitalisation of city centres...

Nowadays, 310 local authorities are members of AFL and the loan production almost reaches €3 billion since the launch of AFL in 2015.

Terms of transaction (public benchmark) Issuer: Agence France Locale Rating: Aa3 stable outlook (Moody's) / AA- outlook stable (S&P) Format: EMTN Programme. The Base Prospectus was approved by the AMF on May,13 2019. Size: €500 million Nominal amount of each bond: €100 000 Settlement date: May 31, 2019 Maturity date: June 20, 2026 (7-year) Coupon: 0,125% Spread: OAT + 32bps Listing: Paris Euronext / Luxembourg Stock Exchange

About Agence France Locale

Agence France Locale is the unique French bank 100% owned by local authorities and dedicated to their financing.

Created in 2013 by French local authorities based on the LGFA (local government financing agencies) model, AFL was granted a banking license in 2015 from the ACPR, the French prudential supervisory authority.

Its mission is to facilitate the access by French local authorities to liquidity, by pooling together their needs and raising cost efficient resources in capital markets based on their strong credit standing. AFL lend to all types of local authorities: municipalities of all sizes, grouping of municipalities, metropolis, Departments or Regions,

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