### Press release

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# De Volksbank successfully issues € 500 million of green senior non-preferred notes

On 15 June 2021, de Volksbank successfully issued € 500 million of senior non-preferred (SNP) notes. The notes have a term of 5 years and a coupon of 0.25%. It is de Volksbank's second issuance of SNP notes, following a first issuance of € 500 million with a term of 7 years, in February 2021.

The SNP notes were issued under de Volksbank's Green Bond Framework 2021, which is aligned with the EU Taxonomy. De Volksbank considers green bonds as an effective tool to channel investments to assets that have demonstrated climate benefits and contribute to the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals and EU Objectives. With its green finance strategy de Volksbank aims to diversify its investor base, targeting socially responsible and strongly committed sustainable investors, while fostering the relationship with existing investors.

The second issuance of  $\in$  500 million of SNP notes is in line with de Volksbank's capital planning, which starts from the assumption that the minimum non risk-weighted MREL requirement of 8% must be fully composed of CET1 capital and subordinated liabilities (Tier 1 capital, Tier 2 capital and SNP notes) as from 1 January 2024. Based on its capital position as at year-end 2020, de Volksbank indicated to expect to issue SNP notes totalling  $\notin$  2.0 to  $\notin$  2.5 billion up to 2024.

The green SNP notes will be listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange.

#### Facts of the issue

lssue size	€ 500 million
ISIN	XS2356091269
lssue price	99.421
Coupon	0.25%
Settlement date	22 June 2021
Format	Optional redemption date: 22 March 2026 to 22 June 2026 (3M par call)
Expected ratings	Baa2 (Moody's) / A- (Fitch)

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