

Finnish central government borrowing

October 2023



AA+ AA+

Credit ratings

The government has solicited credit ratings from two credit rating agencies: Fitch Ratings and S&P Global Ratings.

For long-term debt, they are

AA+ and AA+

(stable, stable)





Finnish economy



Economy will not grow this year - growth expected in 2024

- Improving household purchasing power and consumption will support GDP growth, weak construction weighs on growth in 2024
- The general government deficit will widen in 2024 before the government measures will start to take effect
- Investments in green energy transition boost growth in medium term

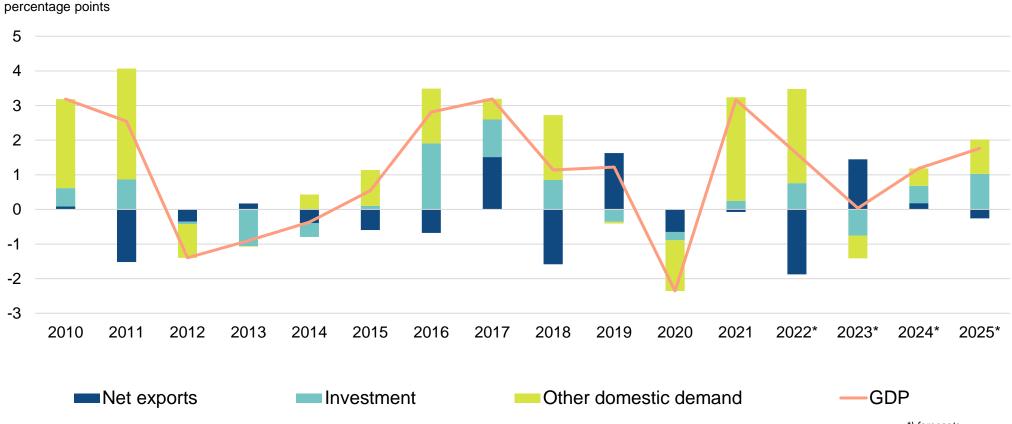
	2023*	2024*	2025*
GDP change, %	0.0	1.2	1.8
Inflation, %	6.2	2.2	1.7
Current account, % of GDP	-1.4	-1.2	-1.3
Private investment change, %	-3.6	1.1	2.3
Exports change, %	-0.8	4.1	3.8
Unemployment rate, %	7.1	7.2	7.0
Public deficit, % of GDP	-2.4	-3.2	-3.4
Public debt, % of GDP*	74.2	76.8	78.9

^{*}The general government debt ratio increased by about 6 percentage points (approximately EUR 15 billion) from 66% to roughly 72% at the level of 2021 **due to Statistics Finland implementing a change in methodology**. The change was related to the interest subsidy loan system for rental and right-of-occupancy dwellings.

Source: Ministry of Finance, Autumn 2023
*)forecasts

Positive net exports contribute to GDP in 2023, domestic demand and investments next year

Contribution to GDP growth in Finland

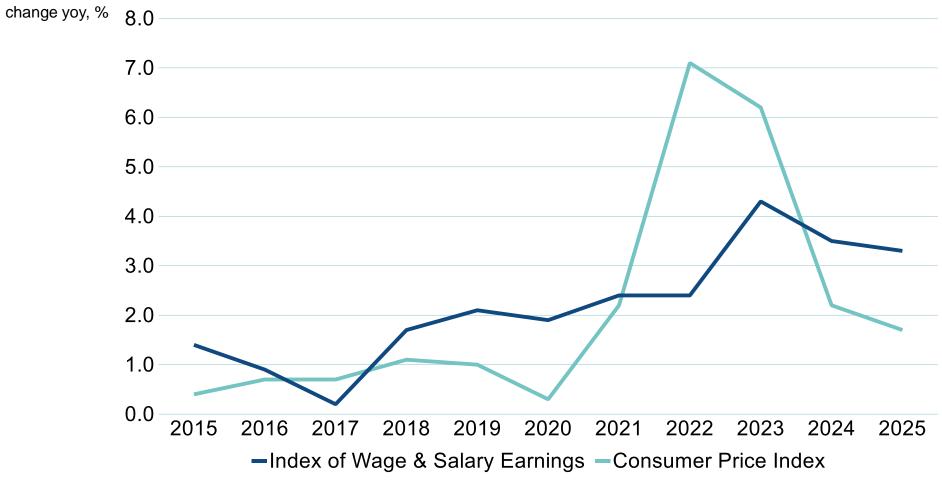


*) forecasts



Rapid rise in prices is decelerating

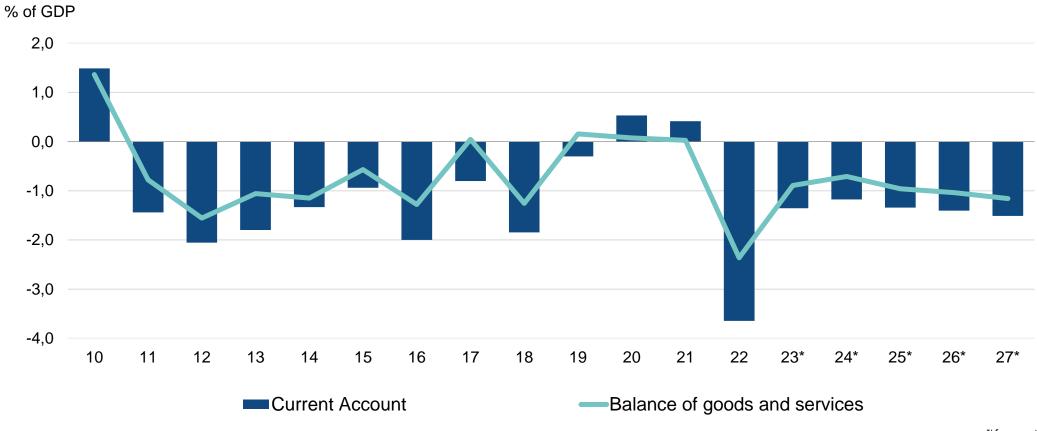
Consumer price index and index of wage and salary earnings





Current account deficit will stabilise

Current account

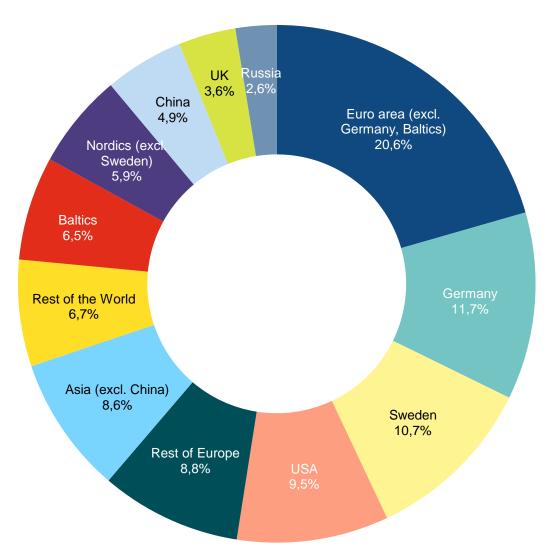


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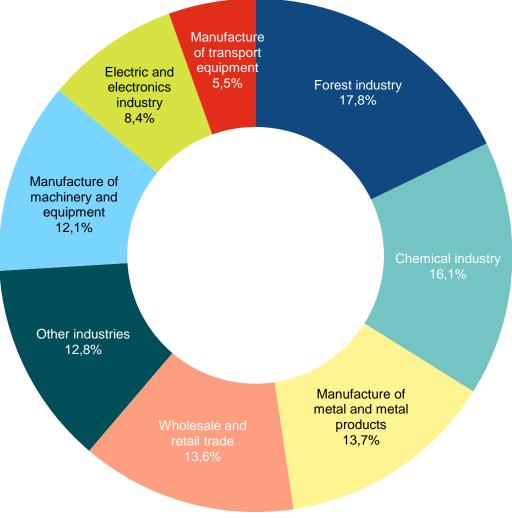


Exports of goods

Exports by countries of destination 2022



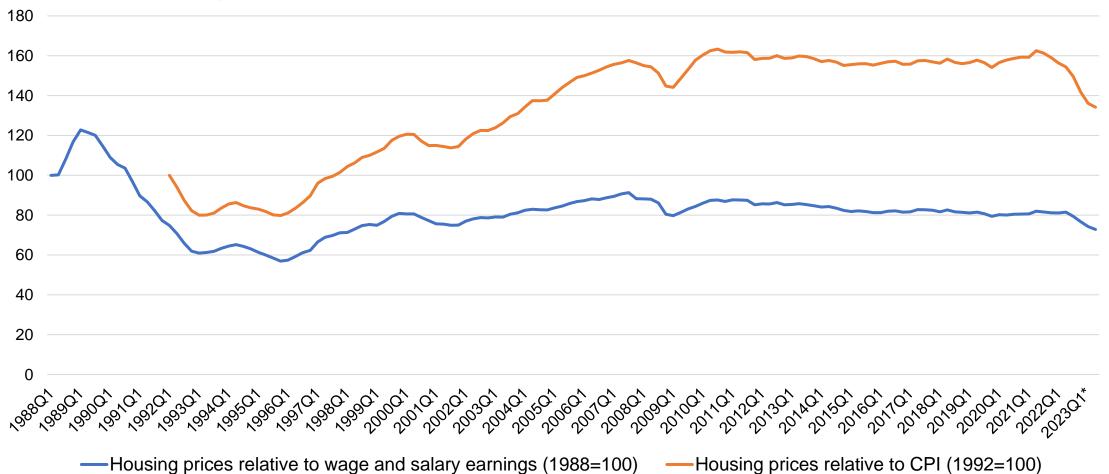
Exports by industries 2022





Relative housing prices in Finland

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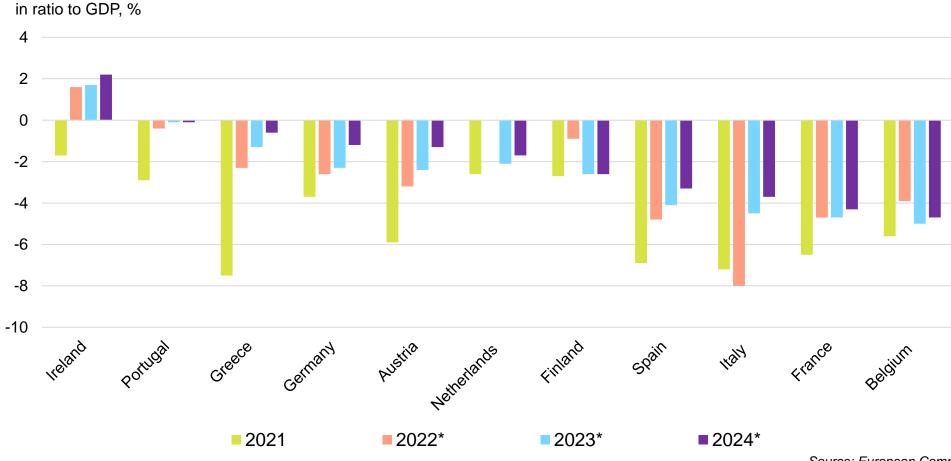
Source: Statistics Finland, October 2023

Valtiokonttori
Statskontoret
State Treasury

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EMU general government financial balance

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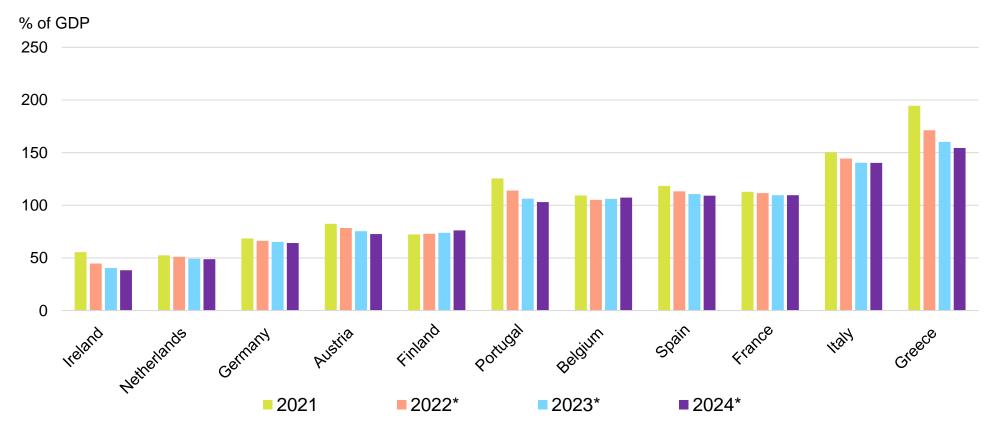


Source: European Commission, Spring 2023 *)forecasts



The public debt-to-GDP ratio in Finland is one of the lowest in the euro area

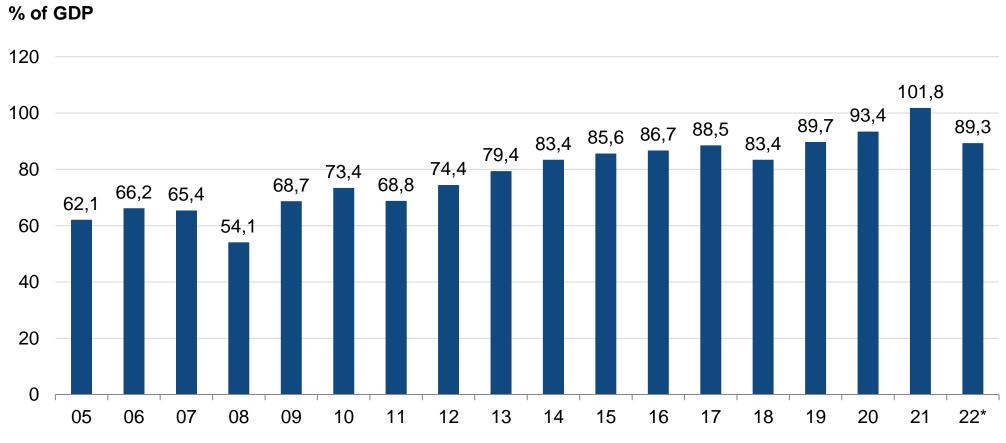
EMU General Government Gross Debt



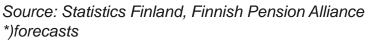


Earnings-related pension assets including public sector pension assets

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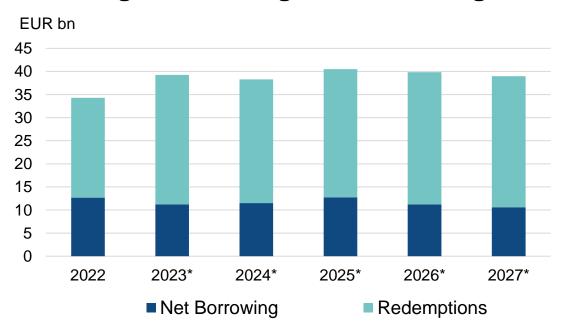


2 Funding

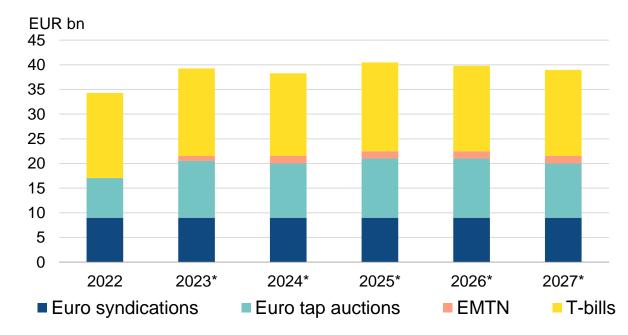


Central government gross borrowing estimate and projected funding instrument allocation

Central government gross borrowing



Projected funding instrument allocation





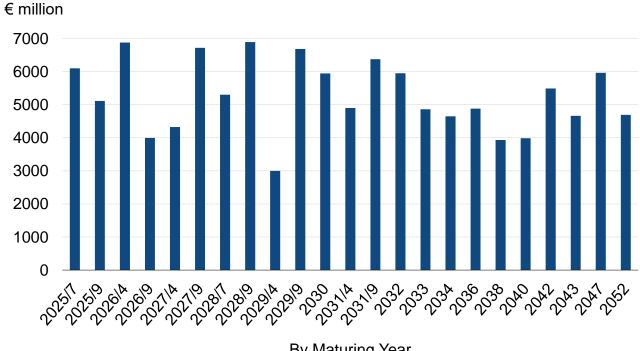
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Funding strategy

"Maintaining a globally diversified investor base by geography and investor type"

- Euro benchmark bond curve to 30 years
- Three syndicated euro benchmark bonds per year complemented by tap auctions
- Liquidity in focus Primary Dealers and both customer and inter-dealer platforms
- EMTN issuance complements euro benchmark bonds

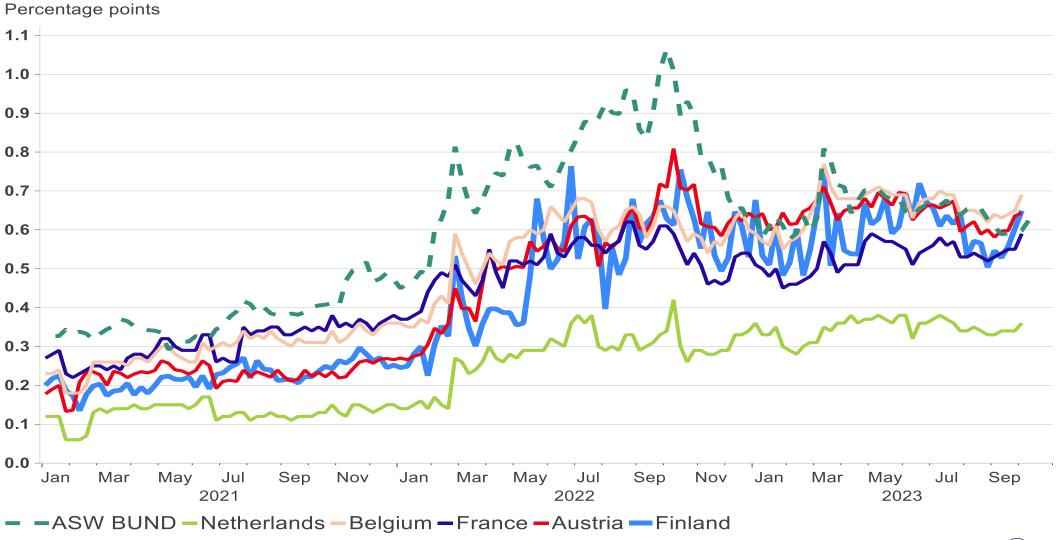
Benchmark bonds outstanding



By Maturing Year



10-year government bond yield spreads to Germany & ASW BUND







Primary Dealers 2023

BofA Securities

Barclays

BNP Paribas

Citi

Crédit Agricole

Danske Bank

Deutsche Bank

Goldman Sachs

HSBC

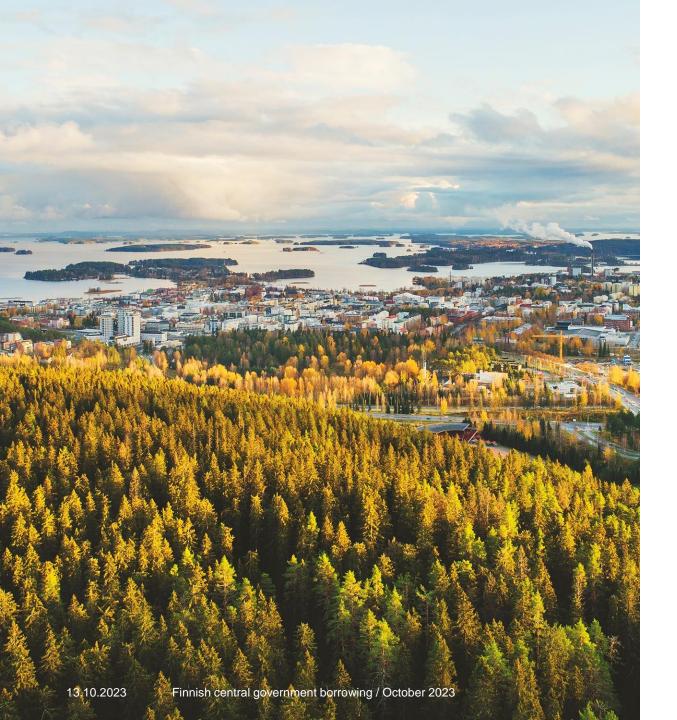
J.P. Morgan

Nomura

Nordea

Société Générale





Sustainability in Finland: current themes

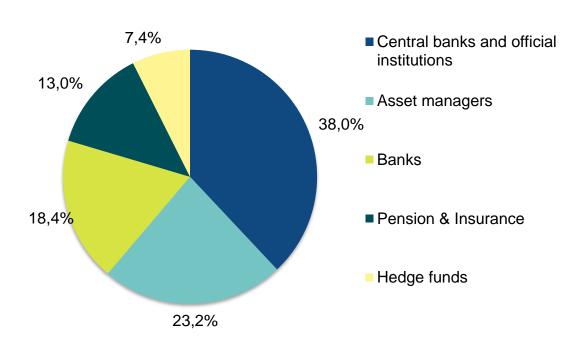
- Finland is by many metrics a global forerunner in sustainability
- Finland ranks #1 again in the UN Sustainable Development Report 2022
- Finland's climate neutrality goal is 2035
 - New Climate Change Act in 2022
 - Update of the Energy and Climate Strategy in 2022 (all sectors)
 - New Medium-term Climate Change Policy Plan 2022 (effort-sharing sector)
 - Climate Plan for the Land Use Sector
- The Health and Social services reform 2023

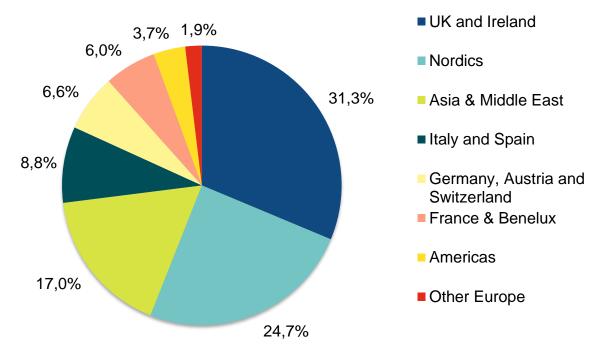


Investor base for RFGB 2.875% EUR 3bn due April 2029

- Launched in August 2023
- Allocated to circa 80 investors

Distribution of the bond by investor type



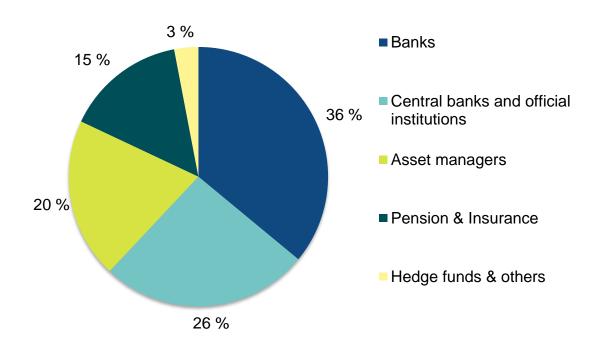


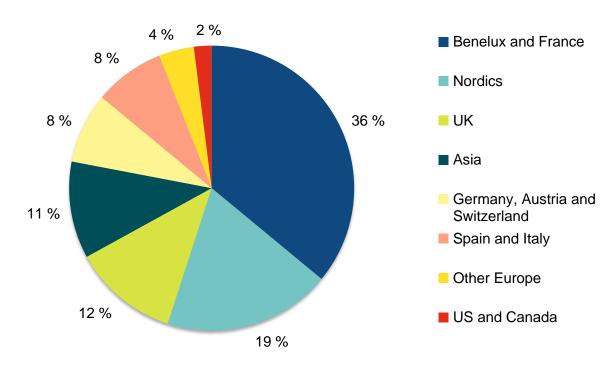


Investor base for RFGB 3% EUR 3bn due September 2033

- Launched in April 2023
- Allocated to circa 90 investors

Distribution by investor type



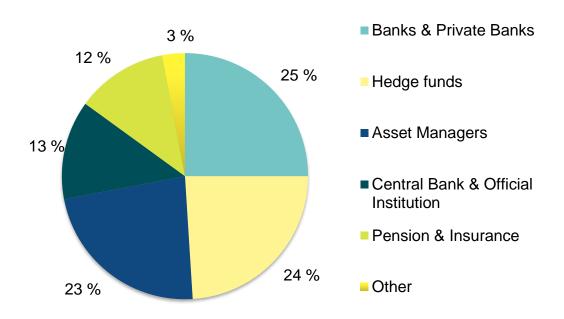


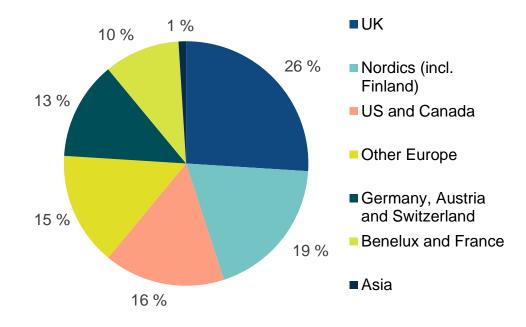


Investor base for RFGB 2.750% EUR 3bn due 15 April 2038

- Launched in January 2023
- Allocated to over 90 investors

Distribution by investor type



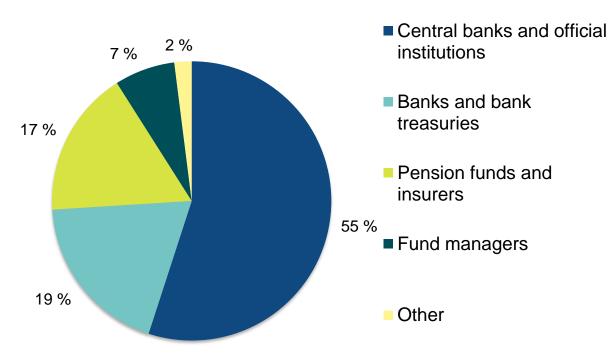


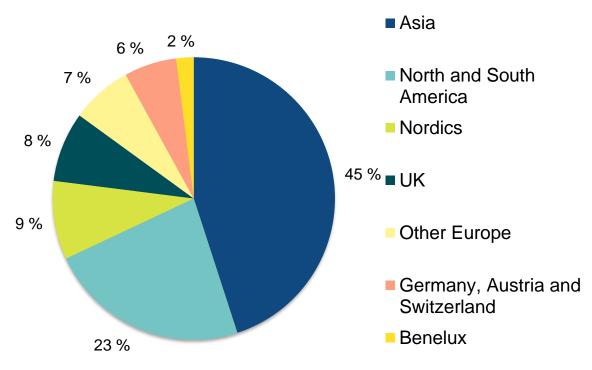


Investor base for FINL 0.875% USD 1.5 bn due 2030

- Launched in May 2020
- Allocated to 87 investors

Distribution of the bond by investor type







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