## **ECO SCORING**

### **ISSUING GREEN BONDS**

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# SNCF RÉSEAU'S GREEN BOND PROGRAMME



## MAIN CHARACTERISTICS OF THE GREEN BONDS PROGRAMME

- + A programme focused on the network renovation...
- + ... for significant amounts (about € 1.5 bn / year) and recurrent (at least 1 issue / year)
- + ... bringing additionality (no refinancing of existing projects)
- + ... with two certifications (GBP and CBI) and an inclusion into the Barclays MSCI Index.





## **DETAILS OF THE GREEN BONDS ISSUES**



- + Since October 2016, SNCF RESEAU has already issued 3 Green Bonds, for an overall amount of € 2.65
   bn, becoming one of the top 15 issuers worldwide on the Green Bond market.
- + Climate Bond Award from the *Climate Bonds Initiative* in 2017.
- + Green Bond Award from Environmental Finance in 2018 (Impact report of the year).



## GREEN BOND REPORTING



## **SNCF RESEAU'S REPORTING**

### + Transparency

- Impact indicators in line with SNCF Réseau's Framework and essentially focused on the carbon impact.
- Certification delivered by KPMG relying on :
  - ✓ The adequate allocation of proceeds to Eligible Projects
  - The adequate application of SNCF's carbon impact computation methodology
  - ✓ Management of proceeds before allocation to Eligible Projects
- Open source publication of the methodology and reporting

### + Standardisation

- Development with **Carbone 4** of a specific methodology for valuation of the carbon impact of railways infrastructure projects that includes :
  - ✓ The full life cycle of the project : building and operation
  - ✓ Potential evolution of the energy mix and means of transport
  - No double accounting







## **IMPACT METRICS (2017)**

CATEGORIES	INDICATORS	RESULTS
INVESTMENTS IN MAINTENANCE, MODERNISATION AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY	GREENHOUSE GASES (GHG) EMITTED AND AVOIDED EMISSIONS – Greenhouse Gas emissions due to the renewal project	657 ktCO2eq
PROJECTS CONCERNING THE RAIL SYSTEM	<ul> <li>Greenhouse Gas emissions avoided thanks to the renewal project</li> </ul>	6,329 ktCO <sub>2</sub> eq
	<ul> <li>PROTECTION OF RESOURCES</li> <li>Share of re-used and recycled rails (tons)</li> <li>Share of re-used ballast (tons)</li> <li>Volume of wooden sleepers recycled for energy purposes</li> </ul>	100% 30 to 50% 67,753 tons
INVESTMENTS RELATED TO NEW LINES AND LINE EXTENSIONS	<ul> <li>GREENHOUSE GAS (GHG) EMISSIONS</li> <li>Greenhouse Gas emissions due to the project</li> <li>Emissions avoided</li> </ul> PROTECTION OF RESOURCES <ul> <li>Number of hectares compensated</li> <li>Number of wildlife crossings created</li> </ul>	80 ktCO <sub>2</sub> eq 277 ktCO <sub>2</sub> eq 6,430 1,253
OTHER INVESTMENTS LINKED TO THE GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE CHALLENGES, THE PROTECTION OF BIODIVERSITY AND NATURAL RESOURCES	The category is to be expanded as it groups a projects that are less significant in terms of ar but important for the overall corporate strate	nounts,



## CARBON IMPACT OF THE PROJECTS FINANCED THROUGH THE GREEN BONDS (AS OF DEC-2017)

	Maintenance	Development	Total
+ 2016 (tCO2.eq)	-2.727.800	-190.200	-2.918.000
+ 2017 (tCO2.eq)	-5.671.700	-196.900	-5.868.600
+ Total (tCO2.eq)	-8.399.500	-387.100	-8.786.600

(tCO2.eq = Tons of CO2.equivalent)

	Maintenance	Development	Total
+ Average Carbon Neutrality (years)	3,8	7,4	3,9



## CARBON IMPACT OF THE PROJECTS FINANCED THROUGH THE GREEN BONDS (AS OF DEC-2017)



The impact of the € 2,65 bn Green Bonds issued in 2016 and 2017 is equal to the carbon footprint of circa **18 000 French citizens over 40 years.** 



## CONCLUSION

## **GREEN BOND – THE PRO'S AND CON'S**

### + Indisputable advantages...

- Geographical diversification
- Investors quality (buy & Hold) et average maturity of funding (Mid to Long term)
- Better primary market traction and spread tightening on the secondary market
- Strong Financial & Corporate communication tool : emphasize our industrial successes and their positive impact for the climate
- Management tool to help internal transformation : collaboration between departments, inclusion of SRI criteria in the company's governance

#### + ... but also obvious constraints

- Several external costs, even though affordable (SOP, CBI certification, methodology, reporting)
- Significant and cross-department internal investment : business lines, sustainable development, finance, cost controlling, communication, etc.
- + ...that likely constitute an obstacle to the development of the Green Bond market, most of all in a low yield and high liquidity environment.

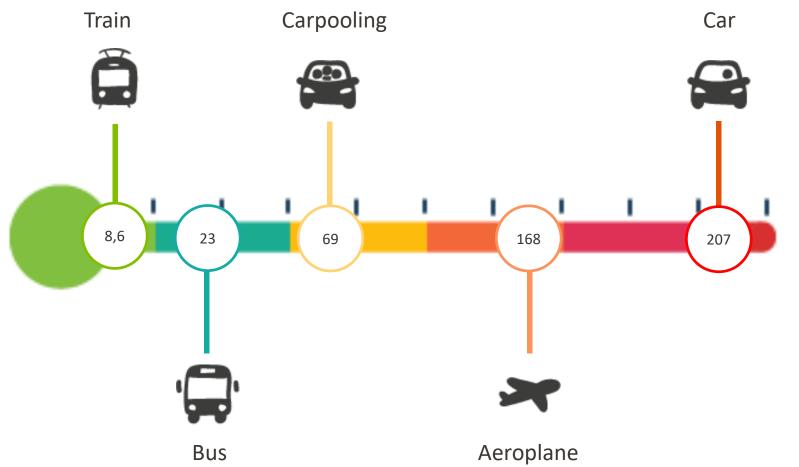


## **APPENDICES**

## **CLIMATE STRENGTHS OF THE RAIL SYSTEM**

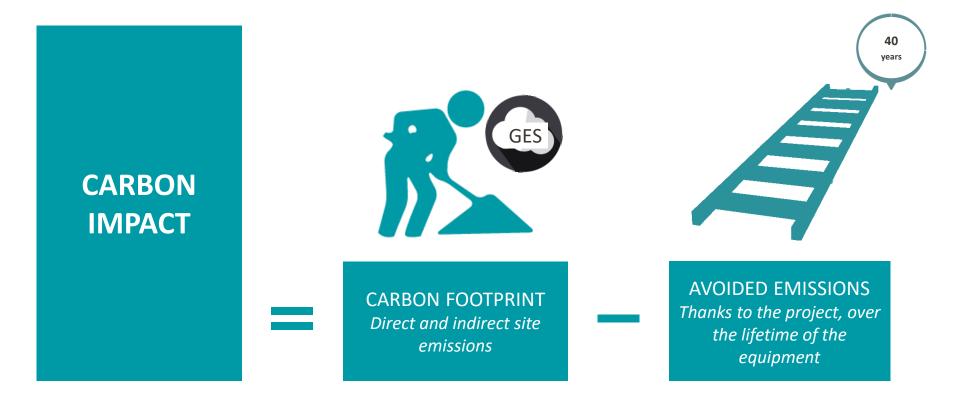
### A LOW GHG EMISSION MEANS OF TRANSPORT

CO2 emissions expressed in grams / traveller for 1 Km :





## **AN INNOVATIVE METHODOLOGY**





## COMPUTATION OF AVOIDED GHG EMISSIONS ON A RENEWED SECTION

#### BALANCE BETWEEN PROJECT AND REFERENCE SITUATIONS

