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Since 2016 The Concessionaires & Long-Term Infrastructure Investors National Association (CoLTI) has been an active member of PRI Network Supporters. CoLTI plays an important role in promoting the principles of sustainable development and green finance in Russia.

1. CoLTI has created the information page, devoted to Sustainable Development and Green finance market (see link <https://investinfra.ru/greenbonds/>). On this page CoLTI regularly provides Russian audience with information concerning trends on Russian and global responsible investment market, sustainable development, green finance, as well as PRI news: during 2017-2018 CoLTI prepared and published 237 information and analytical messages.

2. CoLTI has published quarterly reviews: Sustainable Developments and Green Investments, devoted to key world initiatives and projects in the field of sustainable developments and green investments, overview of green bonds market, key world and Russian news in the field of sustainable developments and green investments etc. During 2018 CoLTI prepared and published 4 quarterly reviews.

<https://investinfra.ru/monitoring-ustojchivoe-razvitiie/>

3. In March of 2018 CoLTI developed the recommendations for Sustainable Development and Green Investments. 9 Russian companies have supported the recommendations for Sustainable Development and Green Investments. <https://investinfra.ru/frontend/images/PDF/NAKDI-rekomendatsii-v-oblasti-ustoichivogo-razvitiya-i-zelenyh-investitsii.pdf>

4. In March 2018, The Working Group on responsible financing (ESG-finance), which includes green financing, was established in the framework of the Expert Council on the long-term investment market under the Bank of Russia. Svetlana Bik, the executive director of CoLTI, is the chairman of the Expert Council on the long-term investment market under the Central Bank of the Russian Federation.

5. The executive director of CoLTI, Svetlana Bik, took part in various conferences and round tables devoted to sustainable developments and green investments in Russia:

- The conference «Green bonds: key characteristics and differences from other instruments», April 17, 2018 <https://investinfra.ru/novosti/v-rossii-sformirovana-povestka-dnya-razvitiya-rynka-zelenyh-obligaciy.html>

- The expert meeting «Green funding for development projects in the Arctic», June 5, 2018 <https://investinfra.ru/novosti/eksperty-obsudili-zelenoe-finansirovanie-proektov-razvitiya-v-arktike.html>

- The round table «The Bonds and other financial instruments and capital market mechanisms in financing infrastructure projects», within the framework of the International Financial Congress, June 6, 2018, <https://investinfra.ru/novosti/v-sankt-peterburge-na-kruglom-stole-nakdi-eksperty-predlozhili-institualizirovat-infrastrukturnye-obligacii-i-sozdat-v-rossii-nacionalnyy-verifikacionnyy-centr-zelenogo-finansirovaniya-.html>

- The expert session «Infrastructure bonds: standardization, disclosure and risk management», July 26, 2018 <https://investinfra.ru/kalendar-meropriyatij/ekspertnaya-sessiya-infrastrukturnye-obligacii-standartizaciya-raskrytie-informacii-i-upravlenie-riskami.html>

- The expert session «Green securitization: an agenda for Russia», September, 26, 2018 <https://investinfra.ru/novosti/svetlana-bik-schitaet-obyazatelnyim-uchastie-gosudarstva-v-formirovanii-rynka-zelenyh-finansov-v-rossii.html>

- The expert session «Investments in infrastructure: green bonds, concession bonds» within the framework of the XVI Russian Bond Congress, December 6, 2018

<https://investinfra.ru/novosti/formirovanie-rynka-zelenyh-investitsiy-v-rossii-trebuetsya-garmonizatsii-ekologicheskogo-i-finansovogo-sektorov.html>

6. In October 2018, the Diagnostic Overview «Green Finance: the Agenda for Russia» was prepared by the members of the working group on responsible financing. This Diagnostic Overview consolidates the main elements necessary for the formation of the green finance market in the Russian Federation, illustrates a road map for the development of the market, and offers an attempt to address comprehensively the problems in the development of this sphere.

The Diagnostic Overview «Green Finance: the Agenda for Russia» was published on the Russian Central bank's website in Russian language http://www.cbr.ru/content/document/file/51270/diagnostic_note.pdf

Also the Diagnostic Overview was published on the website of Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation https://www.minfin.ru/common/upload/20181102_Green_finance.pdf

The Diagnostic Overview was published in English language on the CoLTI's website <https://investinfra.ru/frontend/images/PDF/diagnostic-overview-green-finance-the-agenda-for-russia-121118.pdf>

7. As of 12 of December 2018, RSB HMAO Ltd, the member of CoLTI, issued the first green bonds on Moscow Stock Exchange (MOEX). RSB HMAO was among Russian companies which supported the CoLTI recommendations for Sustainable Development and Green Investments. CoLTI has provided methodological support the issuer on the preparation of documents for obtaining green bonds second opinion.

Bond nominal value was 1.1 bn and maturity 12.5 years at a yield of 9.76%. The bond coupon is linked to inflation and the Bank of Russia key rate. According to the Green bond second opinion, prepared by Rating Agency Rating-Agentur Expert RA, eligible projects for the use of funds derived from the bond issuance are well aligned with the Green Bond Principles 2018 (GBP 2018) and fully complies with what is expected from the market. The categories of eligible projects are: waste management and eco-efficient and/or circular economy adapted products, production technologies and processes, which are both in line with the GBP 2018 and have a positive environmental impact.

The Moscow Stock Exchange press release, concerning green bond issuance of RSB HMAO is available through the link <https://www.moex.com/n22067/?nt=106>

The Rating-Agentur Expert RA press release, concerning green bond second opinion is available through the link https://raexpert.eu/files/RSB_HMAO_SO_Press_Release_19.12.2018.pdf

8. In January 2019, CoLTI together with World Wildlife Fund (WWF) has published the glossary «Green Economy: Definitions and Concepts». The glossary contains terms, approaches, initiatives and names of organizations related to a green economy, sustainable development, responsible finance.

<https://wwf.ru/resources/publications/booklets/zelenaya-ekonomika-opredeleniya-i-ponyatiya/>

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