

REPORT REVIEW

Romande Energie Green Finance Impact Report

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VERIFICATION PARAMETERS

Type of reporting

- Green Bond and Loan Allocation and Impact Reporting

Relevant standard

- Harmonised Framework for Impact Reporting (HFIR), ICMA, June 2024
- Romande Energie's Green Finance Impact Report (as of Aug. 29, 2025)
- Romande Energie's Green Finance Framework (as of July 29, 2022)

Scope of verification

- Bond and loan identification:

Issue/ origination date	ISIN	Maturity date	Amount raised (CHF)
July 15, 2022	CH1196217017 (Green Bond)	July 15, 2037	100 million
July 10, 2024	N/A (Green Loan)	July 10, 2039	150 million

Lifecycle

- Post-issuance verification
- Third year of reporting¹

Validity

- As long as no changes are undertaken by the Issuer to its Green Finance Impact Report (as of Aug. 29, 2025)

¹ The previous year's Report Review delivered by ISS-Corporate, see [weblink](#).

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SCOPE OF WORK

Romande Energie (“the Issuer”) commissioned ISS-Corporate to provide a Report Review² on its Green Finance Impact Report by assessing:

1. The alignment of Romande Energie’s Green Finance Impact Report (as of Aug. 29, 2025) with the commitments set forth in Romande Energie’s Green Finance Framework (as of July 29, 2022).³
2. Romande Energie’s Green Finance Impact Report, benchmarked against the HFIR.⁴
3. The disclosure of proceeds allocation and soundness of reporting indicators — whether the impact metrics align with best market practices and are relevant to the green bond and green loan issued.

ROMANDE ENERGIE OVERVIEW

Romande Energie Holding SA engages in the production, distribution, and marketing of electrical and thermal energy in Switzerland. The company generates electricity through hydraulic, solar, wind, and biomass plants. It also engages in managing and developing infrastructure for distribution of electricity and fibre optics; and developing installations fuelled by renewable energy sources, as well as the generation and power/heating distribution activities. In addition, the company houses operations linked to electricity marketing and related services, such as invoicing and call-centre operation; and offers customers cross-disciplinary expertise to help implement the transition to clean energy. Romande Energie Holding SA was founded in 1901 and is headquartered in Morges, Switzerland.

² A limited or reasonable assurance is not provided on the information presented in Romande Energie’s Green Finance Impact Report. A review of the use of proceeds allocation and impact reporting is solely conducted against ICMA’s and LMA’s Standards (Green Bond/ Green Loan) core principles and recommendations where applicable, and the criteria outlined in the underlying Framework. The assessment is solely based on the information provided in the allocation and impact reporting. The Issuer [or Romande Energie] is responsible for the preparation of the report including the application of methods and internal control procedures designed to ensure that the subject matter is free from material misstatement.

³ The Framework was assessed as aligned with the Green Bond Principles/Green Loan Principles as of July 29, 2022.

⁴ In absence of an impact reporting standard for green loans, ICMA’s HFIR is the benchmark used.

ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

REVIEW SECTION	SUMMARY	EVALUATION
Part I Alignment with the Issuer's commitments set forth in the Framework	Romande Energie's Green Finance Impact Report meets the commitments set forth in its Green Finance Framework.	Aligned
Part II Alignment with the HFIR	The Green Finance Impact Report is in line with ICMA's HFIR. The Issuer follows core principles and, where applicable, recommendations. Romande Energie provides transparency on the level and frequency of expected reporting, in line with best practices. The Issuer has reported within the next fiscal year after issuance, illustrated the environmental impacts, provided transparency on ESG risk management and transparency on the currency used. To facilitate comparison and benchmarking of project results, Romande Energie reports on sector-specific core indicators and discloses its own methodologies, where no single commonly used standard is used.	Aligned
Part III Disclosure of proceeds allocation and soundness of reporting indicators	The allocation of the bond's and loan's proceeds has been disclosed with a detailed breakdown across different eligible project categories as proposed in the Framework.⁵ Romande Energie's Green Finance Impact Report has adopted an appropriate methodology to report the outcome/impact generated by providing comprehensive disclosure on data sourcing, calculation methodologies and granularity, reflecting best market practices.	Positive

⁵ The assessment is based on the information provided in the Issuer's report. The Issuer is responsible for the preparation of the report, including the application of methods and procedures designed to ensure that the subject matter is free from material misstatement.

REPORT REVIEW ASSESSMENT

PART I: ALIGNMENT WITH COMMITMENTS SET FORTH IN THE GREEN FINANCE FRAMEWORK⁶

The following table evaluates the Green Finance Impact Report against the commitments set forth in Romande Energie's Framework, which are based on the core requirements of the Green Bond Principles and Green Loan Principles and best market practices.

GBP/GLP	OPINION	ALIGNMENT WITH COMMITMENT
Process for project evaluation and selection	Romande Energie confirms to follow the process for project evaluation and selection described in Romande Energie's Green Finance Framework. The Issuer applied the eligibility criteria set in the Framework to determine whether projects fit within the defined categories. ESG risks associated with the project categories are identified and managed appropriately, as defined in the Framework.	✓
Management of proceeds	Romande Energie confirms to follow the management of proceeds described in Romande Energie's Green Finance Framework. The bond proceeds collected are 100% allocated and are equal to the amount allocated to eligible projects, the loan proceeds collected are 43% allocated. The proceeds are tracked appropriately and attested in a formal internal process. Moreover, the Issuer manages unallocated proceeds in accordance with its liquidity policies.	✓
Reporting	The report is in line with the initial commitments set in Romande Energie's Green Finance Framework. <i>Further analysis of this section is available in Part III.</i>	✓

⁶ Romande Energie's Green Finance Framework was assessed as aligned with the GBP (as of June 2021) and the GLP (as of February 2021) as of July 29, 2022.

PART II: ASSESSMENT AGAINST THE HARMONISED FRAMEWORK FOR IMPACT REPORTING

Reporting is a core component of the Green Bond Principles and Green Loan Principles, and transparency is of particular value in communicating the expected and/or achieved impact of projects in the form of annual reporting. Green bond issuers/green loan borrowers are required to report on both the use of green bond/loan proceeds and the environmental impacts at least annually until full allocation or maturity of the bond/loan. Information need only be provided to those institutions participating in the loan, but borrowers should make this information public where feasible. The HFIR has been chosen as the benchmark for this analysis as it represents the most widely adopted standard.

The table below evaluates Romande Energie's Green Finance Impact Report against the HFIR.

CORE PRINCIPLES		
HFIR	GREEN FINANCE IMPACT REPORT	ASSESSMENT
Report on an annual basis	As reporting is a core component of the GBP/GLP, Romande Energie reported within one year of issuance/origination and thereafter within one year from the last report. The report will be available on Romande Energie's website .	✓
Formal internal process to allocate proceeds	The proceeds allocated to green projects as of the Green Finance Impact Report date have only been allocated to projects that meet the Framework's eligibility criteria. The Issuer describes its approach to determining proceeds allocation eligibility in the Green Finance Impact Report.	✓
Transparency on the currency	Allocated proceeds have been reported in a single currency (CHF).	✓
ESG risk management	The Issuer has a system to identify and manage ESG risks connected to the financed projects. The Issuer confirms that no negative effects have been identified in relation to the financed projects.	✓

Illustrate the expected environmental impacts or outcomes	The impact report illustrates the actual environmental impacts and outcomes made possible by projects to which green bond and loan proceeds have been allocated. It is based on ex-post results (based on actual production data). The method of calculating the ex-post impacts is made transparent. The report also includes the expected annual results for subsequent years based on estimates for either the maximum potential at full capacity for projects that have been completed, or the estimated maximum potential upon completion of ongoing projects. More information can be found in Part III.	✓
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RECOMMENDATIONS

HFIR	GREEN FINANCE IMPACT REPORT	ASSESSMENT
Report at project or portfolio level	Reporting was conducted on a portfolio basis, whereby proceeds from Romande Energie's outstanding green bond and green loan funded a portfolio of projects.	✓
Define and disclose period and process for including/removing projects in the report	100% of bond proceeds and 43% of loan proceeds have been allocated to green assets. Only project financing disbursed and confirmed as eligible up to Dec. 31, 2024, is included in the Green Finance Impact Report. As part of its due diligence, the Issuer monitors the projects included in its green bond/loan program. The Issuer transparently reports on the process used to remove and add projects to the portfolio reported.	✓
Signed amount and amount of green bond and loan proceeds allocated to eligible disbursements	Romande Energie indicates the amount of green bond and loan proceeds allocated to eligible disbursements, but does not disclose the total signed amount. Allocated amount: CHF 100,401,000 (green bond) and CHF 63, 846,000 (green loan)	-

Approach to impact reporting	The Issuer reports on the overall portfolio impacts by project category and also discloses the prorated share of the overall results.	✓
Report on at least a limited number of sector-specific core indicators	To facilitate comparison and benchmarking of project results, Romande Energie reports on sector-specific core indicators. The core indicators are: ▪ Annual avoided GHG emissions (tCO₂-e) ▪ Annual renewable electricity generation (MWh) ▪ Reduced GHG emissions switching from petrol to electric power (tCO₂-e) ▪ Passenger-kilometers equivalent (kKM)	✓
Disclose own methodologies, where there is no single commonly used standard	Where there is no single commonly used standard, the Issuer discloses its own methodologies. Avoided Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions are assessed using an ex-post approach, whereby generated GHG emissions are calculated by using average emissions per eligible green-project type as published in the latest version of the Ecobau and Mobitool databases. Emissions are considered over the entire life cycle. Biogenic emissions and specific project emissions, including freight and workers commuting and energy for infrastructure building, are considered out of scope. Waste wood used as a feedstock in district heating is regarded as emission-free. More information can be found in Part III.	✓
Disclosure of the conversion approach	The Issuer converts units reported for individual projects based on standard conversion factors and includes appropriate disclosure of the conversion approach in the report.	✓
Projects with partial eligibility	All projects are 100% eligible for financing.	N/A

Use (and disclosure) of the attribution approach	The impact achieved by each of the financed projects are attributed to one type of intervention only.	N/A
Ex-post verification of specific projects	There is no external ex-post verification of specific projects.	N/A
Report the estimated lifetime results and/or project's economic life (in years)	To illustrate the impact of the project over its lifetime, the Issuer reports on the project's economic life (in years).	✓

OPINION

Romande Energie follows the HFIR's core principles and some key recommendations. The Issuer provides transparency on the level and frequency of expected reporting, in line with best practices. Romande Energie has reported within the next fiscal year after issuance, illustrated the environmental impacts, provided transparency on ESG risk management and transparency on the currency used. To facilitate comparison and benchmarking of project results, the Issuer reports on sector-specific core indicators and discloses its own methodologies, where no single commonly used standard is used.

PART III: DISCLOSURE OF PROCEEDS ALLOCATION AND SOUNDNESS OF THE OUTPUT /IMPACT REPORTING INDICATORS

Use of proceeds allocation

Use of proceeds allocation reporting contextualizes impacts by presenting the number of investments allocated to the respective use of proceeds categories.

Allocation reporting occurred within one year of issuance. This is the third year of green bond allocation reporting where 100% of bond proceeds had already been allocated in 2023. This is the first year of green loan allocation reporting, where 43% of loan proceeds are allocated. The use of proceeds allocation reporting occurred within the regular annual cycle after the issuance.

The Issuer transparently disclosed the amount of unallocated loan proceeds and manages the unallocated proceeds in accordance with its liquidity policies.

Proceeds allocated to eligible projects/assets

The allocation of proceeds is broken down at the project category level. The Issuer has provided details about the type of projects included in the portfolio.

The report clarifies that no projects were removed from the allocation register.

The allocation reporting section of Romande Energie's Green Finance Impact Report aligns with best market practices by providing information on:

- Allocation per project category and type of projects per year per instrument
- % of nominal amount of instrument
- % of new financing vs. refinancing
- Proportion of investment financed

Output and impact reporting indicators

The table below presents an independent assessment of the Issuer's report and disclosure on the output and impact of projects/assets using indicators.

ELEMENT	ASSESSMENT
Relevance	The impact indicators chosen by the Issuer for the bond and the loan are the following: ▪ Annual avoided GHG emissions (tCO₂-e) ▪ Reduced GHG emissions switching from petrol to electric power (tCO₂-e) These indicators are quantitative and material to the use of proceeds categories financed through this bond and loan and in line with the Suggested Impact Reporting metrics for Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency and Clean Transportation projects by the HFIR. This aligns with best market practices.
Data sourcing and methodologies of quantitative assessment	For Renewable Energy projects including wind, hydro and solar power, contributions to avoided emissions have been calculated considering that renewable energy replaces the average Swiss electricity consumption mix that considers both imports and exports. $AE_{RE} = \sum_{i=1}^N SI_i \times (Prod_i \times mix_{AES_{2024}} - Prod_i \times EF_i)$ Geothermal energy projects are not operating yet, so no calculations have been conducted. For Energy Efficiency projects, contributions to avoided GHG emissions from district heating have been calculated using available information on replaced facilities only. Emissions from new buildings are not considered as avoided emissions. $AE_{EE} = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(SI_i \times NewBuild_i \times \left[\left(\sum_{j=1}^M OldProd_i^j \times EF_j \right) - \left(\sum_{j=1}^M NewProd_i^j \times EF_j \right) \right] \right)$ For Clean Transportation projects i.e. infrastructure for clean energy vehicles emissions have been calculated based on an average fuel-driven vehicle in Switzerland.

	$AE_{CT} = \sum_{i=1}^N SI_i \times (EqKM_i \times Avg_{FF\ vehicle} - EqKM_i \times EF_i)$ For passenger-kilometers equivalent $EqKM_i$ it is assumed that each charger serves a single car, used by one individual, who drives an average of 20.76 km per day in Switzerland. Hydrogen projects are not operating yet, so no calculations have been conducted. The provided results correspond to the share of emissions equivalent to the share of allocated proceeds of the total investment made over the project lifetime. Abbreviations ▪ AE avoided emissions of the selected category ▪ SI_i the proportion of the green financing instruments in the i-th asset of the selected category ▪ $Prod_i$ the ex-post production of the i-th asset for the year in scope ▪ $mix_{AES_{2024}}$ the emission factor of the swiss electricity mix (source: AES - Association des entreprises électriques suisses - swiss electricity mix average GHG emissions for 2024) ▪ $Avg_{FF\ vehicle}$ the emission factor of an average petrol-driven vehicle in Switzerland ▪ $EqKM_i$ the estimated number of kilometers driven based on EV charger energy consumption ▪ $NewBuild_i$ a flag identifying if a district heating facility is replacing an older facility or is a new building ▪ $OldProd_i^j$ the annual heating production of the i-th asset for the j-th technology the district facility is replacing ▪ $NewProd_i^j$ the annual heating production of the i-th asset for the j-th technology of the new district heating facility ▪ EF_i the emission factor of the selected technology
Baseline selection	GHG emissions have been calculated using average emissions per project category as published in the latest version of the Ecobau and Mobitool databases. Emissions are considered over the whole life cycle (raw materials and energy extraction, transformation, product manufacturing, delivery, use and end-of-life). Indirect emissions are averaged over the years based on an average lifetime per technology. Specific project emissions (freight and workers commuting, energy for

	infrastructure building, etc.) and biogenic emissions are out of scope. Waste wood used as a feedstock in district heating is considered emissions-free.
Scale and granularity	The impact data is presented at the use of proceeds category level for the indicators.

High-level mapping of the impact indicators with the U.N. Sustainable Development Goals

Based on the project categories financed by the bond and loan as disclosed in the Issuer's Green Finance Impact Report, the impact indicators adopted by Romande Energie for its green bond and loan can be mapped to the following SDGs, according to ISS Sustainability's SDG Solutions Assessment, a proprietary methodology designed to assess the impact of an Issuer's product or services on the U.N. SDGs.

IMPACT INDICATORS	SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS
- Annual avoided GHG emissions (tCO₂-e) - Reduced GHG emissions switching from petrol to electric power (tCO₂-e)	 

OPINION

The allocation of the bond's and loan's proceeds has been disclosed with a detailed breakdown across different eligible project categories as proposed in the Framework. The Green Finance Impact Report has adopted an appropriate methodology to report the impact generated by providing comprehensive disclosure on data sourcing, calculation methodologies and granularity, reflecting best market practices. In addition, the impact indicators used align with best market practices using the HFIR's recommended metrics.

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ANNEX 1: Methodology

Review of the post-issuance reports

The ISS-Corporate Report Review provides an assessment of labeled transactions reporting against international standards using ISS-Corporate's proprietary [methodology](#).

High-level mapping to the SDGs

The 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were endorsed in September 2015 by the United Nations and provide a benchmark for key opportunities and challenges toward a more sustainable future. Using a proprietary methodology based on ICMA's Green, Social and Sustainability Bonds: A High-Level Mapping to the Sustainable Development Goals, the extent the Issuer's reporting and project categories contribute to related SDGs is identified.

ANNEX 2: Quality management processes

ISSUER'S RESPONSIBILITY

The Issuer's responsibility was to provide information and documentation on:

- Green Finance Impact Report
- Green Finance Framework
- Proceeds allocation
- Reporting impact indicators
- Methodologies and assumptions for data gathering and calculation
- ESG risk management

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Since 2014, ISS Group, which ISS-Corporate is part of, has built up a reputation as a highly reputed thought leader in the green and social bond market and has become one of the first CBI-approved verifiers.

This independent Report Review has been conducted by following ICMA's Guidelines for Green, Social, Sustainability and Sustainability-Linked Bonds External Reviews, and its methodology, considering, when relevant, the ISAE 3000 (Revised), Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information.

The engagement with Romande Energie took place in August and September 2025.

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ISS-Corporate conducted this verification in strict compliance with the ISS Group Code of Ethics, which lays out detailed requirements in integrity, transparency, professional competence and due care, professional behavior and objectivity for the ISS business and team members. It is designed to ensure that the verification is conducted independently and without any conflicts of interest with other parts of the ISS Group.

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