

Council of Europe Development Bank
EUR1 billion 2.750% Bond Benchmark due
June 2035
Press Release – 13 June 2025

Highlights

- On Thursday 12 June 2025, Council of Europe Development Bank (CEB), rated Aaa/AAA/AAA (all stable), priced a new EUR1 billion 10-year benchmark due 19 June 2035.
- This bond represents the first 10-year Euro benchmark for CEB in 2025.
- The transaction extends CEB's EUR curve by offering a new on-the-run 10-year reference.
- It attracted strong investor interest, with final order book of over €3.5 billion, representing **the CEB's largest EUR order book since 2021**, and its second largest order book ever for a 10-year EUR benchmark.
- The quality of interest also supported 3bps tightening from guidance, with the final spread set at MS+37bps. As testament to the high-quality, granular final order book, CEB achieved this strong result with minimal new issue concession.

Final terms

Issuer	Council of Europe Development Bank (CEB)
Rating	Aaa (Moody's) / AAA (S&P) / AAA (Fitch)
Form of Notes	RegS
Issue Amount	EUR1,000,000,000
Pricing Date	12 June 2025
Settlement Date	19 June 2025
Maturity Date	19 June 2035
Coupon	2.750%
Re-offer vs. Mid-Swaps	MS+37bps
Re-offer vs. Benchmark	+39.4bps
Re-offer Price/Yield	98.987% / 2.868%
Joint Bookrunners	Barclays, BNP Paribas, Morgan Stanley, Nomura

Deal details

- The mandate for CEB's EUR 10-year benchmark was announced to the market at 11:15 CET on Wednesday 11 June.
- On the back of a supportive market backdrop, CEB released initial guidance at MS+40 area on Thursday 12 June at 8:55 CET.
- The transaction attracted strong investor demand from the outset, including among Joint Lead Managers: orderbooks had totalled over €3.4 billion, including €550 million JLM interest, when the first update was released to the market at 10:37 CET. Size was set at €1 billion, aligned with CEB's transaction aspirations, and the spread was set 3bps inside initial guidance at MS+37bps.

- Books closed in excess of €3.5 billion, including €550 million JLM interest, showing the strength of the orderbook with the book size and quality holding in spite of 3bps tightening.
- The transaction was priced at 12:40 CET, with a coupon of 2.750%, a re-offer price of 98.987% and a re-offer yield of 2.868%. The transaction priced with a spread of +39.4 over the DBR 2 ½ 02/15/35.
- Over 70 accounts participated in the transaction with broad diversification in terms of investor geography and type. The bulk of the demand came from investors based in Europe with 78%, followed by Middle Eastern investors at 12% and Asian investors took 10%.
- Banks accounted for close to half of the transaction at 48%. CB/OIs took 26% while Asset Managers represented 24%.

Distribution statistics

Allocation by geography

Other Europe	37%
Middle East	12%
France	11%
Nordic	10%
Asia	10%
Benelux	8%
UK/Ireland	6%
Germany/Austria	6%

Allocation by investor type

Banks	48%
CB/OI	26%
Asset Manager	24%
Others	2%

Background

The Council of Europe Development Bank (CEB) is a multilateral development bank with an exclusively social mandate. The Bank receives no aid, subsidy or budgetary contribution from its member states to finance its activities. Funding resources are therefore raised on the international capital markets in the form of borrowings.

As a major instrument of policy towards solidarity in Europe, the Bank finances social projects by making available resources raised in conditions reflecting the robust quality of its rating (Aaa / AAA / AAA with stable outlooks).

To ensure that it maintains access to the funds needed to pursue its activities, the Bank continues to have recourse both to large-scale borrowings in major currencies, aimed at a broad range of institutional investors, and to issues in given currencies or with specific structures corresponding to more particular requirements.