# Creditreform C Rating

Rating object Rating incl. outlook / watch

Infrabel S.A. n.r.

Long-term local currency senior unsecured issues of Infrabel S.A. n.r.

In the regulatory sense, the ratings are unsolicited public ratings.

## Date of inception / disclosure to rated entity / maximum validity:

Rating object	Date of inception	Disclosure to rated entity	<b>Maximum validity</b>
Infrabel S.A.	01.12.2023	01.12.2023	
Long-term local currency senior unsecured issues of Infrabel S.A.	01.12.2023	01.12.2023	

There occured no changes after the communication of the rating to the rating object.

### **Rating summary:**

Creditreform Rating has withdrawn the unsolicited corporate issuer rating as well as the unsolicited corporate issue rating of Infrabel S.A. (n.r.).

The background for the withdrawal of the unsolicited corporate issuer and issue ratings of Infrabel S.A. is the omission of the ratings from CRA's target portfolio due to business reasons.

### Primary key rating drivers:

Not applicable

## ESG-criteria:

Not applicable

A general valid description of Creditreform Rating AG, as well as a valid description of corporate ratings for understanding and assessing ESG factors in the context of the credit rating process, can be found <u>here</u>.

### **Rating scenarios:**

Please note: The scenarios are based on information available at the time of the rating. Within the forecast horizon, circumstances may occur that could lead to a change of the rating out of the indicated range.

Best-case scenario: not applicable

Worst-case scenario: not applicable

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#### **Initital rating:**

Rating object	Event	Rating created	Publication date	Result
Corporate Issuer Rating of Infrabel S.A.	Initial rating	19.12.2018	21.12.2018	AA-
LT LC Senior Unsecured Issues of Infrabel S.A.	Initial rating	19.12.2018	21.12.2018	AA-

#### Status of solicitation and information basis:

The present rating is, in the regulatory sense, a public **unsolicited** rating. The rating object participated in the creation of the rating as follows:

Unsolicited Corporate Issuer / Issue Rating		
With rated entity or related third party participation	No	
With access to internal documents	No	
With access to management	No	

### Rating methodology / Version / Date of application:

Rating methodology	Version number	Date
Corporate Ratings	2.4	July 2022
Government-related Companies	1.1	May 2023
Non-financial Corporate Issue Ratings	1.0	October 2016
Rating Criteria and Definitions	1.3	January 2018

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Corporate issuer rating:

- 1. Annual report
- 2. Website
- 3. Internet research

Corporate issue rating:

- 1. Corporate issuer rating incl. information used for the corporate issuer rating
- 2. Documents on issues / instruments

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The date at which the credit rating was initially released for distribution and the date when it was last updated, including any rating outlooks, is indicated clearly and prominently in the Basic Data Information Card as a "rating action"; initial release is indicated as "initial rating", other updates are indicated as an "update", "upgrade" or "downgrade", "not rated", "confirmed", "selective default" or "default".

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