

Rated entity:

Bearer notes with ISIN XS1718471250 issued by Pension Alternative Markets S.C.S. SICAV-FIS, PAM II

Rating:

BBB-

Rating outlook / watch:

Outlook stable

Rating summary:

Object of this rating are the MSCIF Notes (rating object) issued by Pension Alternative Markets S.C.S. SICAV-FIS, PAM II (borrower). The borrower invests the proceeds indirectly in the form of equity capital in infrastructure assets. The investments will be made through the Macquarie Super Core Infrastructure Fund S.C.Sp. (investment vehicle). The relevant manager is Macquarie Infrastructure and Real Assets (Europe) Limited. The CRA rating of BBB-/stable represents a highly satisfactory level of credit quality and a low to medium investment risk.

According to the CRA's assessment, the relevant risk aspects of the transaction are largely unchanged from the previous year. Increasing uncertainty in the area of macroeconomic developments due to the outbreak of COVID-19 contrasts with positive developments in credit enhancement within the structure. In addition, the assumptions made regarding the portfolio were mostly confirmed, with minor updates of the quantitative analysis based on financials. The quantitative results support CRA's current rating assessment, which is why CRA confirmed the rating for the rating object with BBB-/stable.

Primary key rating driver:

- + Initial loss buffer of 20% due to available equity on the borrower level
- + Conditional equity commitment to prevent liquidity shortfalls on the borrower level
- + Asset manager's track record
- + Stable asset class with an overall low level of operational volatility
- Implicit subordination of the rating object
- Potential asset-liability-mismatch due to diverging extension options of the rating object and the investment vehicle
- Missing limitations for FX exposure
- Expected yield compression with impacts on regulatory frameworks
- Limited investor-friendly investment vehicle terms

Rating sensitivities:

Best-case scenario: In this scenario, we stressed (*ceteris paribus*) the return and probability of default assumption of the portfolio assets by an amount of + 1%-point and + one notch¹ respectively, resulting in a rating of A.

Worst-case scenario: In this scenario, we stressed (*ceteris paribus*) the return and pay-out ratio of the portfolio assets by an amount of -1%-point and -25%-points respectively, resulting in a rating of BB.

ESG-criteria:

CRA generally considers ESG factors (environment, social and governance) within its rating decisions. In the present case, ESG criteria had no comprehensive impact to the rating.

ESG factors with material impact were not identified.

¹ I.e. assuming a lower probability of default.

On the subject of ESG (environment, social and governance), Creditreform Rating AG has published the basic document ("The Impact of ESG Factors on Credit Ratings"), which is available on the homepage under the following link:

<https://creditreform-rating.de/en/about-us/regulatory-requirements.html>

Rating Date / disclosure to rated entity / maximum validity:

June 29, 2020 / June 29, 2020 / December 31, 2042

Between the disclosure of the credit rating to the rated entity and the public disclosure, no amendments were made to the credit rating.

Initial rating date:

May 23, 2018

Lead-analyst – position / Person approving (PAC):

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Status of solicitation:

The rating is a solicited rating. The degree of participation was as follows:

With Rated Entity or Related Third Party Participation: Yes

With Access to Internal Documents: Yes

With Access to Management: Yes

Rating methodology / Version / Date of application / Link:

[Rating Criteria and Definitions, Version 1.3, January 2018](#)

[Rating Methodology Financial Instruments \(Issue Ratings\), Version 1.3, July 2016](#)

[Technical Documentation Portfolio Loss Distributions, Version 1.4, July 2018](#)

Information on the meaning of a rating category, definition of default and sensitivity analysis of relevant key rating assumptions can be found at "Creditreform Rating AG, Rating Criteria and Definitions".

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