Continuum Green Energy External Review of Allocation and Impact Report 2024

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This report was produced by Shades of Green using Shades of Green Methodology. On December 1, 2022, S&P Global acquired Shades of Green from CICERO.

S&P Global has reviewed Continuum's Allocation and Impact Report 2024 ("Report"). We review allocation against Continuum's Green Bond Framework and Green Finance Framework criteria (together, the **'Frameworks'**),¹ and impact metrics for relevance and transparency.

We consider that the allocations considered in the Report align with the Frameworks, and that the Report utilizes relevant and sufficiently transparent impact metrics. Moreover, we consider the Report aligns with the core principles and recommendations contained in ICMA's Handbook – Harmonized Framework for Impact Reporting (June 2024).²

Project allocation

In respect of allocation, S&P Global considers the Report aligned with the Frameworks (see also Appendix 1). The following green bonds are outstanding under the Frameworks:

- In June 2024, green bonds with a value of USD 650 million were issued, listed on the India International Exchange (IFSC) Limited issued by eight, majority owned Indian Restricted Subsidiaries / project companies of Continuum Green Energy Limited.³ There have been no subsequent changes to allocation since issuance. The projects relating to these green bonds are six wind projects and two hybrid wind and solar projects.
- In August 2023, Continuum Aura a fully owned subsidiary of Continuum Green Energy Holdings Limited - issued green bonds with a value of USD 435 million. Of this, USD 386.9 million has been allocated to Indian Restricted Subsidiaries, USD 7.1 million was used for expenses, and USD 41 million is unallocated. The projects relating to the green bonds are three wind projects and eleven hybrid wind and solar projects. These include projects that are operational, under construction, and partially operational / partially under construction – and the Report is transparent on this.

The Frameworks were each assigned an overall Dark Green in our Second Party Opinions.⁴ The Frameworks include only one project category, renewable energy. Proceeds could finance or re-finance the development, construction, and operation of wind farms (on- and off-shore), solar energy, wind-solar hybrid, and energy storage. This project category also received a Dark Green shading, and all proceeds have necessarily been allocated to this category (see Figure 1).

³ Trinethra Wind and Hydro Power Private Limited, DJ Energy Private Limited, Bothe Windfarm Development Private Limited, Uttar Urja Projects Private Limited, Watsun Infrabuild Private Limited, Renewables Trinethra Private Limited, Continuum Trinethra Renewables Private Limited and Kutch Windfarm Development Private Limited ⁴ Continuum - SPO (2023), Continuum - SPO (2024)

¹ The Green Bond Framework is dated December 2020, with minor updates in February 2022 and August 2023. The Green Finance Framework is dated April 2024

² ICMA Handbook





Figure 1: Allocation of bonds by SPO Shade of Green. Shading is based on evaluation at time of issuance and does not reflect ex-post project verification.

Impact metrics

In respect of impacts, S&P Global considers that the Report utilizes relevant and sufficiently transparent impact metrics (see also Appendix 1).

The Report includes impacts for the period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024. The metrics reported are i) commissioned capacity, ii) renewable energy generation, and iii) avoided/reduced CO_2 emissions. While the Framework includes *installed* capacity as an example metric, we consider the use of *commissioned* capacity to be suitable given allocations to construction and developmental phase projects. Capacity, generation, and avoided emissions are common metrics for renewable energy.

Avoided emissions are calculated based on actual generation and Continuum uses the same methodology to calculate avoided emissions as in previous Reports. This allows for comparability of results and - while there is always uncertainty around emissions data and especially avoided emissions - we welcome that the Report includes information on its methodology.

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Appendix 1 - Detailed Review

Category	Description	Review against framework criteria	Impact Metrics	Relevance of metrics	Transparency considerations
Renewable Energy	 Development, construction, and operation of onshore and offshore wind farms and related support infrastructure. Development, construction and operation of solar energy and related support infrastructure. Development, construction and operation of wind-solar hybrid energy and related support infrastructure. Development, construction, 	 Projects in dry-forested land can be eligible under the framework. According to the issuer, no proceeds have currently been allocated to such projects. We welcome that the Report includes a high-level breakdown of off-takers. A more detailed breakdown of customers could improve reporting, given it has customers in high-emitting and heavy industries. 	 Renewable energy capacity commissioned (MW) Annual renewable energy generation (MWh) Annual CO₂ emission reduction/avoidance (tonnes of CO₂). 	 Metrics provide a good indication of the environmental impact of the investment. The metrics are commonly used in green bond reporting and are in line with core indicators in the ICMA Handbook. 	 Reporting is on a portfolio basis. Continuum uses the same methodology as last year, allowing for better comparison across its Reports. Avoided emissions is based on actual generation. Methodology is sufficiently disclosed, including information on conversion factors.
	and operation of energy storage.				



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