



Preem Holding AB Impact and allocation report 2023

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Impact and allocation report 2023

### Sustainability Strategy and long-term goals

Preem Holding AB gladly present the second Impact and Allocation report which summarizes investments in the renewable value chain.

Preem is the largest advance renewable fuels producer in Scandinavia and the largest refiner in the Nordics. We refine and sell fossil and renewable fuels as well as lubricants to companies and private customers. As an independent company, we are free to buy crude oil and renewable raw materials from all over the world, which are then transported to Preem's refineries.

Preem will create long-term value for customers, society and shareholders by meeting the demand for sustainable products with a focus on superior performance in refining, distribution and sales. Renewable fuels form a key part of Preem's strategy and transition toward net-zero climate impact in 2035.

Preem's vision is to lead the transformation towards a sustainable society, positioning itself as an important contributor to the conversion from fossil to renewable fuels. The company possesses the technical prerequisites, refineries, the expertise of its employees, and the necessary infrastructure. Preem is capable and committed to transforming its traditional refineries into biorefineries, a journey that has already begun.

It will require focused efforts and extensive investments to reach our ambitious goals. Preem takes a positive view of societal development and welcomes the change that is underway.

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### Summary of Preem's long-term strategic direction, renewable transition and 2035 net-zero target:

- Preem is committed to increase its renewable revenue streams and is looking to remain competitive through highly profitable renewable projects.
- The Company is well equipped for the energy transition, having built up extensive experience with renewable production and has already made related infrastructure investments in its existing refineries.
- Preem will focus on transforming existing assets from fossil refining to renewable refining. This option is open to Preem as a result of a long-term commitment to maintain the good condition of its assets.
- Renewable investments will provide an attractive revenue stream providing a more sustainable source of cash flow going forward.
- Preem is adopting a comprehensive strategy for a transition to renewables. Besides concentrating on production of renewable fuels, the company is also reducing its costs, enhancing its retail outlets by adding EV charging capabilities, and minimizing its logistics-related climate impact through digitalization.
- The transition to renewable production lays the foundation for substantial emission reductions throughout the value chain and is accompanied by direct emission reductions at our refineries, for example through CCS and fossil free hydrogen production.

By the end of 2023, EUR 142 million was allocated to eligible project categories, EUR 135 million was allocated to renewable feedstock and EUR 64 million was balanced in cash.

#### **The Green Bond**

In June 2022 Preem Holding AB issued its first Green Bond with a nominal value of EUR 340 million. The proceeds of the bond will help Preem to transform our business and will be allocated to the following project categories; Eco-efficient and circular economy adapted products, production technologies and processes, Renewable energy and Energy efficiency. The remaining part of the proceeds is held in cash until they are allocated.

#### Allocated Proceeds and Impact

**Issuer:** Preem Holding AB **Bond rating:** Moody's and Standard and Poor's

Listing: TISE

Bond type: Senior Unsecured Issue date: June 21, 2022 Maturity: June 30, 2027 Tranch: 5 year (FXD)

Nominal value: EUR 340 million

Coupon: 0.12
ISIN: PREEMS27

Use of proceeds: Eligible Green Projects in accordance with Preem's Green Bond Framework Second opinion: CICERO Shades of Green, Light Green rating



The table shows the allocation and eligible amounts for the Green Bond by 31-12-2023.

18 months after issue date 81% of the bond is allocated and 19% is being balanced in cash.

Projects with approved expenditures higher than the bonds value is eligible/qualified for green financing so the total value of the bond will be fully allocated to renewable projects going forward. Eligible amounts for ongoing projects can change over time.

Green projects	Eligible EUR million	Allocated Green Bond EUR million	% of the Green Bond
Assets	577*	101	30%
Renewable feedstock	135	135	40%
R&D	65	41	12%
CCS	0	0	0%
Maintenance cost	0	0	0%
Total	777	276	81%
Cash**		64	19%
Total***		340	100%

<sup>\*)</sup> The ICR revamp project will only partly be financed by the Green Bond. 494 MEUR of the 577 MEUR is from ICR project but not all will be allocated even if eligible.

<sup>\*\*)</sup> Cash balance = Allocated cash and cash equivalent and unused committed facilities.

<sup>\*\*\*)</sup> Redemption of 10% of nominal value made during 2023. Outstanding debt by 31-12-2023 306 MEUR.

### Overview of current activities

For the listed projects, financing is fully or partly covered by the Green Bond and all of these refer to Eco-efficient and circular economy adapted products, production technologies and processes.

Category	Project	Short Description	Eligible Amount EUR million	Allocated Amount EUR million	Year of com- pletion	Indicator 1 Replaced or expected replacement of fossil raw materials in tonnes	Indicator 2 Expected annual GHG emissions reduced/avoided in tons CO <sub>2</sub> e
Asset	ISOGHT	ISOGHT is a new facility that complements the GHT by providing the biodiesel with much better cold resistant properties allowing it to be used at freezing temperatures.	38.7	38.7	2015	110,000	325,000
Asset	GHT Revamp	Reconstruction of co-processing facility to 100% biofuel production, increasing renewable production to 326,000 m <sup>3</sup> .	37.7	37.7	2019 & 2022	135,000	410,000
Asset	ICR Revamp	Reconstruction of ICR facility with purpose to produce 100% renewable diesel and aviation fuel.	494.3	18.2	2026	1,250,000	Approx. 3,000,000 when facility is in full production.
R&D	HVO Study	BED/FEED-study with purpose to increase HVO-production in a new standalone facility.	65.2	40.5	2023	0*	2,600,000 when facility is in full production.
Asset	Green Hub Helsingborg	Converting of existing product depot in Helsingborg to a green hub for storage of renewable feedstocks/biofules.	6.4	6.4	2023	N/A	N/A (pre- requisite for increasing handling of renewable fuels.
Total			642.3	141.6		1,495,000	



### Project ISOGHT

Increasing the biofuel production capacity by 100,000 cubic meters/per annum. ISOGHT is a new facility that complements the GHT by providing he biodiesel with much better cold resistant properties allowing it to be used at freezing temperatures.

Framework category:	<b>Eco-efficient and circular</b> economy adapted products, production technologies and processes.
Project status:	Completed in 2015
Location:	Gothenburg
Invested amount:	EUR 38.7 million
Share of green financing:	100%
Purpose:	Increasing the biofuel production capacity with 100,000 cubic meters/yearly. ISOGHT is a new facility that complements the GHT by providing the biodiesel with much better cold resistant properties allowing it to be used at freezing temperatures.
Sustainability impact:	Estimated carbon dioxide reduction realized when the produced fuels are replacing fossil-based fuels (substitution effect) is 325,000 tons annually.



# Project GHT Revamp

The reconstruction of the co-processing facility in Gothenburg allows for 100% biofuel production, increasing renewable production to 326,000 m<sup>3</sup>.

Framework category:	<b>Eco-efficient and circular</b> economy adapted products, production technologies and processes.	
Project status:	Completed in 2019/2022	
Location:	Gothenburg	
Invested amount:	EUR 37.7 million	
Share of green financing:	100%	
Purpose:	<b>Reconstruction of co-processing</b> facility to 100% biofuel production, increasing renewable production o 326,000 m <sup>3</sup> .	
Sustainability impact:	Estimated carbon dioxide reduction realized when the produced fuels are replacing fossil-based fuels (substitution effect) is 410,000 tons annually.	



# Project ICR Revamp

Reconstruction of the ICR facility with the purpose to produce 100% renewable diesel and sustainable aviation fuel (SAF).

Framework category:	<b>Eco-efficient and circular</b> economy adapted products, production technologies and processes.	
Project status:	<b>Project started</b> — Reconstruction of plant starts in 2024 with mechanical completion in 2026.	
Location:	Lysekil	
Invested amount:	EUR 18.2 million	
Share of green financing:	100%	
Purpose:	Rebuilding the ISO-Cracker with purpose to revamp the unit for 100% renewable production of diesel and sustainable aviation fuel (SAF). Construction of an additional facility specifically for the pre-treatment of renewable raw material.	
Sustainability impact:	Estimated carbon dioxide reduction realised when the produced fuels are used replacing fossil-based fuels (substitution effect) is 3,000,000 tons annually.	
Expected replacement of fossil fuels:	1.2 million cubic meters annually.	



### Project HVO Study

Study with purpose to build a new standalone facility to increase capacity of producing 100% renewable diesel and aviation fuel.

Framework category:	<b>Eco-efficient and circular</b> economy adapted products, production technologies and processes.
Project status:	In progress
Location:	Gothenburg
Invested amount:	EUR 40.5 million
Share of green financing:	100%
Purpose:	<b>BED/FEED-study with purpose</b> to increase HVO-production in a new standalone facility.
Sustainability impact:	Estimated carbon dioxide reduction realised when the produced fuels are used replacing fossil-based fuels (substitution effect) is 2,600,000 tons annually.



# Project Green Hub Helsingborg

Revamp of 9 tanks into renewable storage. The depot is a prerequisite for the increased production of renewable fuel.

Framework category:	<b>Eco-efficient and circular</b> economy adapted products, production technologies and processes.	
Project status:	Completed in 2023	
Location:	Helsingborg	
Invested amount:	EUR 6.4 million	
Share of green financing:	100%	
Purpose:	Converting of multiple tanks for increasing the storage capacity of renewable feedstocks/biofuels.	
Sustainability impact:	The depot is a prerequisite for the increasing production of renewable fuel.	



### Reporting principles and methodology

This report is aligned with market best practices outlined by the International Capital Market Association ("ICMA") and Green Bond Principles handbook "Harmonized Framework for Impact Reporting" 2022.

For completed projects, the actual impact is reported (ex-post) while impact for non-completed projects consist of estimated figures (ex-ante).

CO<sub>2</sub>e-impact is calculated based on best practice methods (GHG-protocol) and emission factors used are based on guidelines from the Renewable Energy Directive (RED).

The reported distribution and impact are based on the status of the Green Register as of December 31, 2023.

The full year impact is accounted for regardless of when an activity is included in the Green Register.

Totals quoted in tables and statements may not always be the exact sum of the individual items because of rounding differences. The aim is for each line item to correspond to its source, and rounding differences may therefore arise.

A limited assurance of the use of proceeds reporting for Green Bonds is provided by an accredited third-party auditor. For further details regarding impact methodology, see Appendix.



### **Green Financing Framework**

In 2022, Preem established the Green Financing Framework as a foundation for working with green financing in a structured and transparent way, providing investors and other stakeholders with accurate, relevant and comprehensive information

**Green Financing Instruments** will assist Preem in the transition into becoming a leading renewable fuel producer and distributor – to play a key role in the energy transition for a low-carbon and sustainable economy.

Green Financing Instruments include Green Bonds, Green loans, Green hybrids, Green private placements, Green project finance and any other financial instrument where the proceeds can be exclusively allocated to finance or re-finance — either in part or in full, new and/or existing Eligible Green Projects and Assets and/or Assets as defined in this framework.

The framework is designed to ensure that any Green Financing Instruments issued by Preem and/or its subsidiaries are aligned with market best practices outlined by the International Capital Market Association ("ICMA") 2021 Green Bond Principles and the Loan Market Association ("LMA") 2021 Green Loan Principles.

### The following sections are included in the framework:

- 1. Use of Proceeds
- 2. Process for Project Evaluation and Selection
- 3. Management of Proceeds
- 4. Reporting

#### **Use of Proceeds**

**Projects and activities** need to fall into one of the following three categories to be considered for green financing at Preem:

- Eco-efficient and circular economy adapted products, production technologies and processes
- 2. Renewable energy
- 3. Energy efficiency

Initially we have decided to focus on category 1 "Eco-efficient and circular economy adapted products, production technologies and processes".

Within this category we have identified five activity types:

Eco-efficient and circular economy adapted products, production technologies and processes:





R&D investments related to renewable and circular solutions.

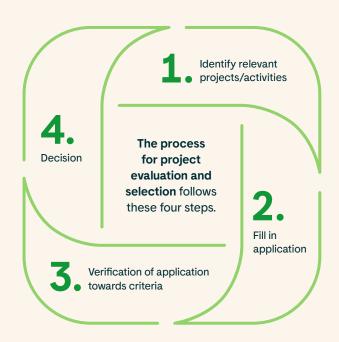
Investments in CCS/CCU technology.

Expenditures for maintenance of biofuel facilities.

#### Process for Project Evaluation and Selection

Preem has established an internal governance structure to ensure the application of this green financing framework. A Green Financing Committee is established to ensure the selection of Eligible Green Projects and Assets are following compliance with the eligibility criteria and to ensure monitoring principles for how capital is allocated to these projects and assets.

The Green Financing Committee is chaired by the Head of Finance and consists of the Head of Sustainability Management, Head of Controlling and senior members of the Sustainability and Finance teams. The sustainability representative holds a veto. Project teams and Management representatives recommend Eligible Green Projects and Assets to the Green Financing Committee for review against this framework. Larger investments are always approved by Preem Investment Committee and the Board of directors.



### Management of Proceeds

The Green Financing Committee normally meets four times per year and have granted a total amount of EUR 142 million to eligible activates since issuing in June 2022.

Pending full allocation of an amount equal to the net proceeds of outstanding Green Financing Instruments, the proceeds will be held in cash or cash equivalent.

Allocations of renewable feedstock are done jointly together with Green Finance Committee, the Sustainability team and Group Procurement. The Green Financing Committee will annually review the list of Eligible Green Projects and Assets and procured feedstock against the eligibility criteria.



### Reporting

Preem will request on an annual basis, starting one year after issuance and until full allocation, an assurance report on the allocation of the Green Financing Instrument proceeds to Eligible Green Projects and Assets, provided by an external auditor. This assurance will be made available on Preem's website www.preem.com.

### Auditor's Limited Assurance Report

To Preem Holding AB (publ), corporate identity number 559210-7410

#### Introduction

We have been engaged by the Board and Group Management of AB Preem Holding (publ) ("Preem") to undertake a limited assurance engagement of Preem Green Financing Impact Report for 2023 ("the Report").

#### **Responsibilities of Preem's Management**

Preem Holding Management is responsible for the preparation of the Report in accordance with the applicable criteria as well as the accounting principles and calculation principles that the company has developed. The criteria is stated in the Preem Holding Green Financing Framework dated January 2024. This responsibility includes the internal control relevant to the preparation of a Report that is free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error.

#### **Responsibilities of the Auditor**

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the selected information specified above based on the limited assurance procedures we have performed. Our assignment is limited to the historical information that is presented and thus does not include future-oriented information.

We conducted limited assurance procedures in accordance with ISAE 3000 (revised) Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information. A limited assurance engagement consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for the preparation of the Report, and applying analytical and other limited assurance procedures. A limited assurance engagement has a different focus and a considerably smaller scope compared to the focus and scope of an audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and generally accepted auditing standards in Sweden.

The audit firm applies ISQM 1 (International Standard on Quality Management) and accordingly maintains a comprehensive system of quality control including documented

policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements. We are independent in relation to Preem according to generally accepted auditing standards in Sweden and have fulfilled our professional ethics responsibility according to these requirements.

The procedures performed in a limited assurance engagement do not allow us to obtain such assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that could have been identified if an audit was performed. The conclusion based on a limited assurance engagement, therefore, does not provide the same level of assurance as a conclusion based on an audit has.

Our procedures are based on the criteria defined by Preem Holding Management as described above. We consider these criteria suitable for the preparation of the Report.

We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our conclusion below.

#### Conclusion

Based on the limited assurance procedures we have performed, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the selected information disclosed in he Impact and allocation Report is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the criteria.

Stockholm June 26, 2024 Öhrlings PricewaterhouseCoopers AB

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