

Sparebanken Sør Boligkreditt AS

**QUARTER 3** 

2020





## Sparebanken Sør Boligkreditt AS

Mother company 100% owner

A dedicated and integrated covered bond company wholly owned by Sparebanken Sør

**Full recourse** 

Norwegian law is fully compliant with dual recourse requirement. CB investors and derivative CPs have and exclusive, equal and preferential claim on the assets in the cover pool. Claims not covered by cover pool assets are unsecured claims ranking pari passu with all other unsecured unsubordinated claims against the issuer

**Transfer of loans** 

Loans are originated by the bank and transferred to the CB company

Credit & overdraft

Sparebanken Sør Boligkreditt AS has established an overdraft facility with Sparebanken Sør in order to handle operations on a daily basis. In addition, the company has as short-term credit facility with a notice of 31 days with the bank, as well as a revolving multicurrency loan facility, which covers refinancing risk

Norwegian residential

The cover pool consists of prime Norwegian residential assets (86.5 %) and substitute assets (LCR-compliant interest bearing securities). Cover pool exposure towards Southern Norway where price development is rather stable

No non-performing assets

No non-performing assets in the cover pool

Moody's Aaa

Covered Bonds rated Aaa by Moody's – four notches TPI leeway



### Sparebanken Sør

**Business** 

Sparebanken Sør is an independent financial group with activities within banking, securities and real estate brokerage

**Balance** 

The fifth largest Norwegian bank with total assets of NOK 146.2 billions

**Employees** 

550 employees in branches across the counties of Agder, Vestfold og Telemark and Rogaland

Products and services

General banking products and services, supplemented by real-estate brokerage, life and nonlife insurance, stock brokerage and leasing through wholly and partially owned subsidiaries and companies

**Summary** 

As one of the largest regional banks in Norway, Sparebanken Sør is committed to further growth and development in the region



Sparebanken Sør - a leading financial institution in Southern Norway



Established in 1824, 550 eployees



Financial group with banking, securities and real estate brokerage



Publicly traded and Community-owned



178 000 retail customers



21 000 corporate customers

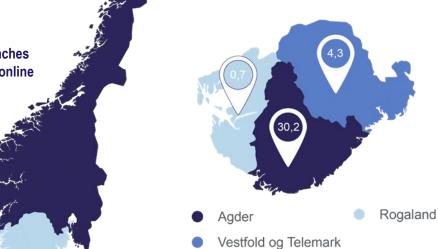


Regional Branches & nationwide online services



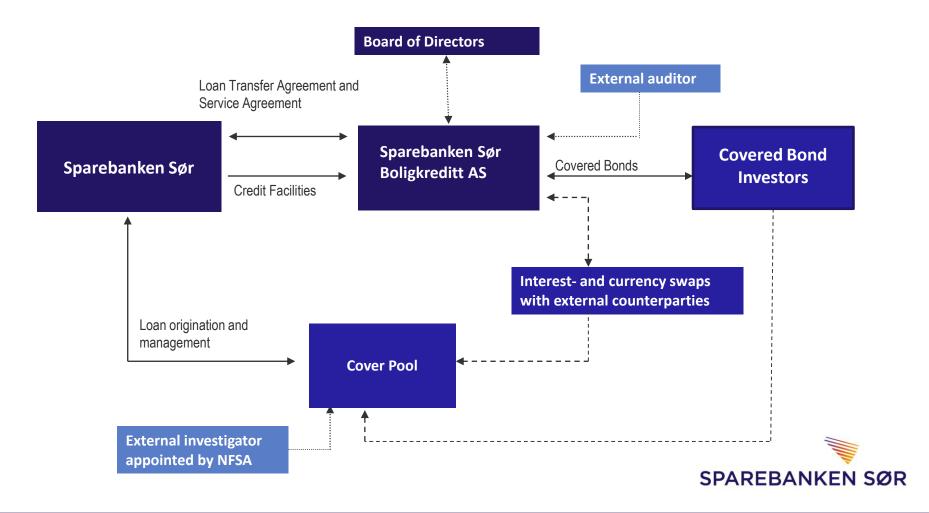


- Profit after tax amounted to NOK 756 million in 2020 Q3
- Cost/income ratio of 39.1 percent.



Market share in percent

### Business concept - governed by the Norwegian covered bond legislation



### **Green & Sustainable**

GRI Empowering Sustainable Decisions

Green & Sustainability Bond Framework established autumn 2019

Eligible Green Loan Portfolio NOK 8,6 billion in September 2020

Green Covered Funding EUR 500 million





#### Benefits of a green mortgage

- The bank's best rate
- Also applies when refinancing or increasing the mortgage
- New product as of March 2019





## Eligibility criteria for cover pool mortgages

 Residential Norwegian properties Type of properties · Minor volumes of buy to let Mortgages with floating or fixed interest rates Type of products Serial, annuity or non-amortising loans No arrears Credit criteria Borrowers probability of default ≤ 3% • LTV limit of 75 % for residential mortgages Collateral • Quarterly valuation from an independent third party (Eiendomsverdi) Maximum loan per borrower of 20 MNOK (Euro 2,1 mill) Loan volume





# The Norwegian Residential Mortgage Market

Appr. 80 % of Norwegians own their home

Few mortgages are buy-to-let

Norway is primarily a floating interest rate market

- The large majority of mortgages originated by Sparebanken Sør are floating rate
- Rates on floating rate mortgages can be reset at any time and the bank's own discretion, by giving debtors six weeks' notice

Loans are normally underwritten with a term of 15-25 years

In Norway, all borrowing costs are deductible from taxable income at the current rate of 23 %

Households are therefore better able to withstand an increase in interest rates

### Mortgage lending regulation

Tightened regulation from January 2017 has impacted house price growth

Max 5x gross income

Max 85 % LTV

60 % for secondary home in Oslo

Debt servicing capacity

• 5 percentage points interest rate increase

Amortization requirement above 60 % LTV

• 2.5 % of approved loan or principal payment as for 30 year annuity

Banks have some flexibility

- Banks can deviate in 10 % of mortgage applications each quarter
- In Oslo this flexibility is limited to 8 %
- Flexibility has been further improved during the corona crisis



## Risk management

### Liquidity risk

- Payment flow from the cover pool is to meet the payment obligations to the covered bond holders and derivative counterparties
- Revolving credit facilities in place with the parent bank
- Soft bullet structure on all covered bonds issued

#### Interest rate risk

- Interest rate risk measured on a 2 basis points parallel shift in the interest rate curve, alternatively including the effects of non parallel shifts
- Should not exceed NOK 100 million
- Currently only floating rate loans and floating funding base incl. swaps

#### Market risk

- •FX risk is fully hedged
- Long term FX funding is swapped into NOK
- Derivative contracts with external counterparties
- No investments/placements in "risky" assets; Norwegian government or high quality fixed income securities (currently only rated Norwegian covered bonds)



### Cover pool composition and OC as at 30.09.2020

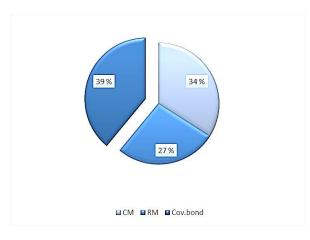
	Fair value		
Loans secured by mortgages on residential properties	44 491 484		
Deductions on ineligible loans	-99 615		
Pool of eligible loans	44 391 869		
Certificates and bonds	2 931 946		
Financial derivatives	4 009 104		
Total cover pool	51 332 918		
Debt incurred due to issuance of securities	44 398 113		
Collateralisation ratio (OC)	15.6 %		
	Nominal value		
OC based on nominal value – eligible only	17.8 %		
OC based on nominal value – total loans	18.1 %		



### Additional cover pool details as at 30.09.2020

Average loan balance	1 317 857		
No. of loans	33 738		
WA seasoning (in months)	43		
WA remaining term (in months)	198		
No. of borrowers	29 454		
No. of properties	32 247		
WA Indexed LTV (Loan balance/Indexed valuation)	54.1 %		
WA LTV (Loan balance/Original valuation)	61.0 %		
Loans in arrears > 90 days	0.0 %		
Committed Over Collateralisation (OC)	2.0 %		

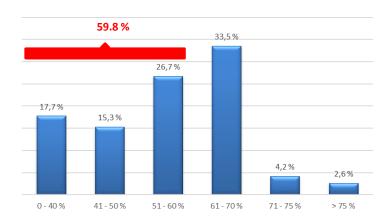
#### Sparebanken Sør (Group) total loan portfolio



Loans transferred to Sparebanken Sør Boligkreditt AS account for 39 % of Sparebanken Sør's total loan portfolio

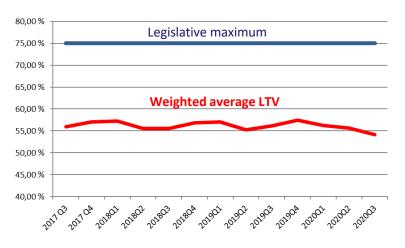


#### Current indexed LTV distribution



- The weighted average LTV is 54.1 % on an indexed basis
- 60 % of the cover pool has a LTV below 60%

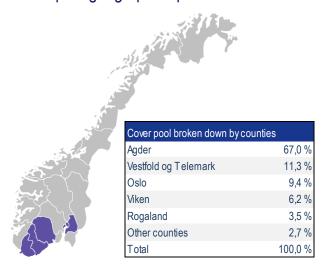
#### Historical development in weighted average indexed LTV



 On a historical level the weighted average LTV is well below the legislative maximum of 75 % for residential mortgages

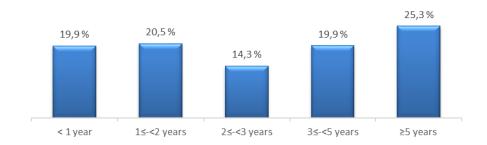


#### Cover pool geographic split



- The cover pool is primarily exposed towards Agder and secondly to Vestfold and Telemark.
- As a result of a public sector reform introduced in 2019, a number of municipalities and counties have been merged. Hence, the 30.09.2020 setup and figures are not comparable to previous periods.

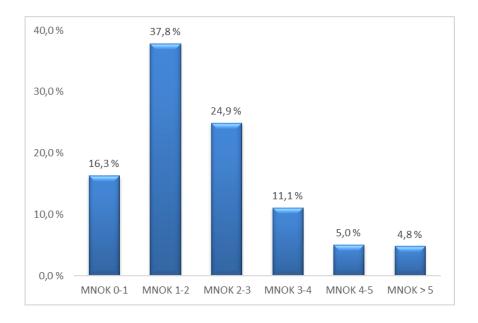
## Seasoning of mortgages in the cover pool (in % of total loan balance)



- Weighted average seasoning is 3.6 years
- The cover pool is stable, as 80.1 % of mortgages has been included in the cover pool for at least 1 year

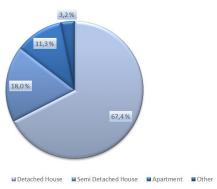


#### Cover pool broken down by intervals of loan balance

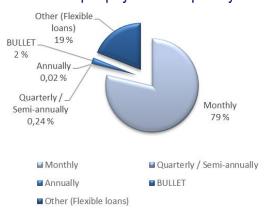


Average loan value of NOK 1.3 million

#### Property type



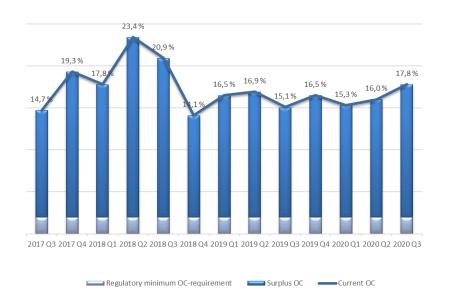
#### Principal payment frequency



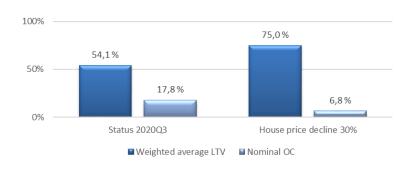


Regulatory minimum OC-requirement: 2.0 % - Current OC: 17.8 %

#### Historical development Over Collateralisation



#### Stress test of the cover pool

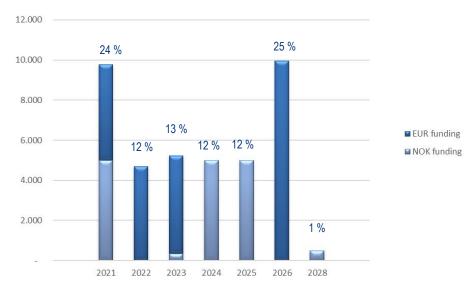




## **Funding as at 30.09.2020**

### Annual maturity of wholesale funding

- Total funding amounts to NOK 44.4 bn in issued covered bonds
- The company has a diversified maturity profile
- Funding > 12 months totalled 87.3 %
- Soft bullet structure on all outstanding bonds





### Debt securities issued as at 30.09.2020

Figures stated in NOK Thousand

ISIN Number	Ticker	Currency	Nominal value	Interest		Due date	Book value	Fair value
XS1383921803		EUR	500.000	Fixed	0,250 %	22.03.2021	5.567.443	5.568.679
NO0010778954	SORB27	NOK	5.000.000	Floating	3M Nibor	22.11.2021	5.004.080	5.033.352
XS1622285283		EUR	500.000	Fixed	0,125 %	30.05.2022	5.587.903	5.601.123
NO0010671597	SORB09	NOK	350.000	Fixed	3,85 %	13.02.2023	382.512	385.750
XS1775786145		EUR	500.000	Fixed	0,375 %	20.02.2023	5.666.076	5.659.824
NO0010882632	SORB30	NOK	5.000.000	Floating	3M Nibor	19.11.2024	5.001.797	5.037.792
NO0010832637	SORB28	NOK	5.000.000	Floating	3M Nibor	24.09.2025	4.993.003	5.037.171
XS1947550403		EUR	500.000	Fixed	0,50 %	06.02.2026	5.803.592	5.809.817
XS2069304033		EUR	500.000	Fixed	0,01 %	26.10.2026	5.589.618	5.649.185
NO0010670409	SORB08	NOK	500.000	Fixed	4,00 %	24.01.2028	606.105	615.422
TOTAL					<u> </u>		44.202.129	44.398.113



### **Euro Medium Term Covered Note Programme**

#### SPAREBANKEN SØR BOLIGKREDITT AS

(incorporated with limited liability in Norway)

€6,000,000,000

#### Euro Medium Term Covered Note Programme

Under the €6,000,000,000 Euro Medium Term Covered Note Programme (the Programme) described in this base prospectus (the Base Prospectus), Sparebanken Sor Bolighreditt AS (the Isruer) may from time to time issue covered bonds issued in accordance with the Act and the Regulations (as defined in "Terms and Conditions of the Notes other than VPS Notes" or "Terms and Conditions of the VPS Notes", as the case may be (the Notes which term shall include, so far as the context permits. VPS Notes (as defined below) denominated in any currency agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer (as defined below).

The Notes may be issued in bearer form or in uncertificated book entry form (the VPS Notes) settled through the Norwegian Central Securities Depository, Verdipapirsentraler, ASA (the VPS).

The maximum aggregate nominal amount of all Notes from time to time outstanding under the Programme will not exceed €6,000,000,000 (or its equivalent in other currencies calculated as described in the Programme Agreement described herein), subject to increase as described herein.

The Notes may be issued on a continuing basis to one or more of the Dealers specified under "Overview of the Programme" and any additional Dealer appointed under the Programme from time to time by the Issuer (each a Dealer and together the Dealers), which appointment may be for a specific issue or on an ongoing basis. References in this Base Prospectus to the relevant Dealer shall, in the case of an issue of Notes being (or intended to be) subscribed by more than one Dealer, be to all Dealers agreeing to subscribe such Notes.

An investment in Notes issued under the Programme involves certain risks. For a discussion of these risks see "Risk Factors".

This Base Prospectus has been approved by the Central Bank of Ireland, as competent authority under the Prospectus Directive (as defined below). The Central Bank of Ireland only approves this Base Prospectus as meeting the requirements imposed under Irish and European Union (EU) law pursuant to the Prospectus Directive. Such approval relates only to the Notes which are to be admitted to trading on the regulated market (the Regulated Market) of the Irish Stock Exchange plc, trading as Euronext Dublin (Euronext Dublin) or another regulated market for the purposes of Directive 2014/65/EU (as amended) (MiFID II) and/or which are to be offered to the public in any Member State of the European Economic Area (the EEA).

Application has been made to Euronext Dublin for Notes issued under the Programme to be admitted to the official list of Euronext Dublin (the Official List) and to trading on the Regulated Market of Euronext Dublin. The Issuer has further requested that the Central Bank of Ireland send to the Norwegian Financial Supervisory Authority (Financial), in its capacity as the competent authority in Norway (i) a copy of this Base Prospectus and (ii) a certificate of approval pursuant to Article 18 of the Prospectus Directive attesting that the Base Prospectus has been drawn up in accordance with national law implementing the Prospectus Directive, for purposes of listing Notes on the Oslo Stock Exchange's Regulated Market (Oslo Bors.).

Each of the Regulated Market of Euronext Dublin and the Oslo Stock Exchange's Regulated Market is a regulated market for the purposes of MiFID II. References in this Base Prospectus to Notes being listed (and all related references) shall mean that such Notes have been either admitted (i) to the Official List and to trading on the Regulated Market of Euronext Dublin or (ii) to trading on the Oslo Stock Exchange's Regulated Market, as may be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer in relation to the relevant Series (as defined below).

Notice of the aggregate nominal amount of Notes, interest (if any) payable in respect of Notes, the issue price of Notes and certain other information which is applicable to each Tranche (as defined in "Terms and Conditions of the Notes other than VPS Notes" or "Terms and Conditions of the VPS Notes", as the case may be) of Notes will be set out in a final terms document (the Final Terms) which will be delivered to the Central Bank of Ireland and Euronext Dublin (if flisted on Euronext Dublin). Copies of the Final Terms in relation to the Notes to be listed on Euronext Dublin will also be published on the website of Euronext Dublin.

The Notes are expected to be assigned a "Asa" rating by Moody's Investors Service Limited (Moody's). Moody's is established in the EU and is registered under Regulation (EC) No. 1060/2009 (as amended) (the CRA Regulation) and is included in the list of credit rating agencies registered under the CRA Regulation, which is available on the ESMA website (http://www.suma.europs.eu/psrgeliter-registered-and-certified-CRA4) (last updated on 2 July 2019).

Where a Tranche of Notes is rated, such rating will be disclosed in the applicable Final Terms. A security rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to suspension, reduction or withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating agency.

Interest and/or other amounts payable under Floating Rate Notes may be calculated by reference to certain reference rates. Any such reference rate may constitute a benchmark for the purposes of Regulation (EU) No. 2016/1011 (the Benchmarks Regulation). If any such reference rate does constitute such a benchmark applicable Final Terms will indicate whether or not the benchmarks. Is provided by an administrator included in the register of administrators and benchmarks established and maintained by the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) pursuant to Article 36 (Register of administrators and benchmarks) of the Benchmarks Regulation. Transitional provisions in the Benchmarks Regulation may have the result that the administrator of a particular benchmark is not required to appear in the register of administrator and benchmarks at the date of the applicable Final Terms. The registration status of any administrator under the Benchmarks Regulation is a matter of public record and, save where required by applicable law, the Issuer does not intend to update the applicable Final Terms to reflect any change in the registration status of the administrator.

- Sparebanken Sør established a €4,000,000,000 Euro Medium Term Covered Note Program (EMTN) in the third quarter of 2015
- In the first quarter of 2016, the company issued covered bonds amounting to EUR 500 million under the program
- In the second quarter of 2017, the company issued covered bonds amounting to EUR 500 million under the program
- In the first quarter of 2018, the company issued covered bonds amounting to EUR 500 million under the program
- In the first quarter of 2019, the company issued covered bonds amounting to EUR 500 million under the program
- In the third quarter of 2019, a Green & Sustainability Bond Framework was established. In the fourth quarter the company issued a Green Covered Bond amounting to EUR 500 million under the program.
- Sparebanken Sør Boligkreditt AS plans to further acquire loans from Sparebanken Sør, and the company intends to issue new covered bonds towards investors in Norway and abroad

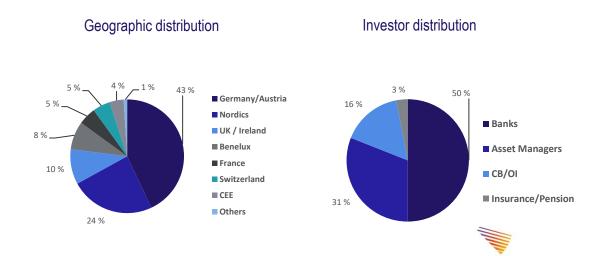


## Diversified funding - An established issuer in the Euro Market

Green & Sustainability Bond Framework established autumn 2019



On the 17th of October 2019, Sparebanken Sør Boligkreditt AS successfully launched its inaugural EUR 500m 7-year Green Covered Bond.



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# Covered Bonds issues qualifies as Level 1 assets pursuant to LCR-regulation

With reference to Article 10(1)(f) of the LCR-regulation, Sparebanken Sør Boligkreditt AS (SSBK) confirms the following:

- SSBK gives the information required in Article 129(7) of CRR to its investors
- Covered bonds issued by SSBK are assigned a credit assessment by a nominated ECAI which is at least credit quality step 1 in accordance with Article 129(4) of CRR, and the equivalent credit quality step in the event of short term credit assessment
- The cover pool does at all times meet an an asset coverage requirement of at least 2 % in excess of the amount required to meet the claims attaching to the covered bonds issued by SSBK

### Information on the cover pool

Sparebanken Sør has implemented the common **Harmonised Transparency Template** of the European Covered Bond Council

Information about the cover pool of SSBK may be accessed via:

https://www.sor.no/felles/om-sparebanken-sor/sparebanken-sor-boligkreditt/cover-pool-information/



### Future prospects

Macro

Following the necessary measures taken by the Authorities to combat the Covid 19 epidemic, the Norwegian economy was hit negatively by lower international economic growth and falling oil prices. The Norwegian economy has to a certain extent improved in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, and the financial markets have normalized. Following the cut in the Norwegian policy rate to 0 %, mortgage rates have been reduced. As a consequence, house prices have developed positively and private consumption has improved.

Capital requirements

Sparebanken Sør Boligkreditt AS has a common equity tier 1 capital ratio of 16.4 percent and leverage ratio of 5.4 percent. Along with a positive profit from ordinary operations, the opportunities for further loan growth are positive.

Funding and liquidity

The Group is well positioned to establish long-term funding from the Norwegian and the international financial market.

Sparebanken Sør Boligkreditt AS

Sparebanken Sør Boligkreditt AS will further acquire mortgages from the parent bank to issue public covered bonds in Norway and abroad, primarily as benchmark issuances that are eligible to LCR requirements for level 1 assets.



## Balanced development in the region

Changes in housing prices (percent), last 12 months

Change in unemployment (percent), last 12 months









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