IFC Discount Notes

IFC launched its **Discount Note Program** in 2009 to provide additional funding and liquidity management in support of certain trade finance and supply chain initiatives.

The program was also designed to expand the availability of short-term local currency finance to clients by introducing offshore Renminbi discount notes, establishing IFC as the first multilateral institution to undertake such an initiative. It is an important financial solution that provides investors with a safe vehicle for short-term investment, while expanding IFC’s options for funding development activities in emerging markets.

During FY23, IFC issued $11.3 billion in discount notes. As of June 30, 2023, the outstanding amount under the program stood at $3 billion.

Our Discount Notes Features

- Available in USD and CNH.
- Maturities ranging from overnight to 360 days.
- Minimum order is $100,000 aggregate face amount per maturity date.
- Offered through 12 dealers.
- Available in bearer form only.
- Daily price posting on Bloomberg IFC<go>7 and ADN<go>8.
- Settlement via Fedwire for USD discount notes and RTGS in Hong Kong for CNH.

Dealers and Fiscal Agents

**U.S. Dollar Discount Notes**
- Barclays Capital
- BofA Securities
- CastleOak
- Jefferies
- JP Morgan
- Mesirow
- Mizuho
- Nomura
- UBS
- Wells Fargo

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York acts as Fiscal Agent.

**CNH Discount Notes**
- Standard Chartered Bank
- HSBC
- Mizuho
- Nomura
- JP Morgan
- Credit Agricole

IFC’s CNH Discount Notes are cleared through Central Moneymarkets Unit, Euroclear and Clearstream, and are settled through Real Time Gross Settlement in Hong Kong. Citi acts as Fiscal Agent.

About IFC

IFC, a member of the World Bank Group, is the largest global development institution focused on the private sector in emerging markets. We work in more than 100 countries, using our capital, expertise, and influence to create markets and opportunities in developing countries. In fiscal year 2023, IFC committed a record $43.7 billion to private companies and financial institutions in developing countries, leveraging the power of the private sector to end extreme poverty and boost shared prosperity as economies grapple with the impacts of global compounding crises.

The credit profile of the International Finance Corporation (IFC) reflects a robust capital base, a very strong liquidity and funding position, strong risk management, and the presence of highly rated shareholders with a strong willingness and capacity to support the corporation.
The stable outlook reflects S&P Global Ratings’ expectation that IFC will maintain high capital, strong liquidity, and its robust risk management policies. We expect IFC will continue to deliver on its mandate and 3.0 strategy with strong mobilization and continued lending in IDA loan-eligible and FCS countries.

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AAA Rating Considerations
- Owned by 186 member countries, with over 50% of capital owned by AAA/AA sovereigns.
- Strong capital position primarily raised through retained earnings from steady profits since 1956.
- Substantial liquidity buffer with highly conservative liquidity coverage ratio (LCR) and leverage ratios.
- Diverse investor base with reliable access to the deepest global capital markets.
- Highly diversified debt and equity portfolio with exposure spanning 117 countries and over 1,900 companies.
- Consistently rated AAA/Aaa by S&P and Moody’s since its first assessment in 1989.
- Assigned a 0% risk weighting under the Basel Framework.

Our Value Proposition
- IFC’s mission as part of the World Bank Group is to end extreme poverty and boost prosperity on a livable planet.
- We promote sustainable growth through investments in the private sector of developing countries.
- IFC has more than six decades of experience mobilizing resources in capital markets to support economic growth and development in emerging markets.
- IFC plays a countercyclical role during times of economic and financial uncertainty.
- We provide advisory services across a wide range of sectors, including renewable energy, agriculture, health, education, and financial markets, to developing economies.

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