

# IBC Working Committee «Law, banking and finance»

### Royal Dutch Shell views and experience with ESG corporate financing.

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To power progress together by providing more and cleaner energy solutions

#### GENERATING SHAREHOLDER VALUE

Growing value through a dynamic portfolio and disciplined capital allocation

#### RESPECTING NATURE

Protecting the environment, reducing waste and making a positive contribution to biodiversity

#### UNDERPINNED BY **OUR CORE VALUES** AND OUR FOCUS **ON SAFETY**

### POWERING **PROGRESS**

Our strategy to accelerate the transition to net-zero emissions, purposefully and profitably



#### POWERING LIVES

Powering lives through our products and activities, and by supporting an inclusive society

#### ACHIEVING **NET-ZERO EMISSIONS**

Working with our customers and across sectors to accelerate the transition to net-zero emissions

#### DELIVERING THE STRATEGY OUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF ENERGY

#### **#POWERINGPROGRESS**

#### **GROWTH PILLAR:** The future of energy **Markets**

### **TRANSITION PILLAR:**

ENABLING OUR STRATEGY ASSETS

#### UPSTREAM PILLAR: Funding our strategy Resources







#### Enhanced value delivery through trading and optimisation



#### **Sam Critchlow**

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### Sam Critchlow – VP Corporate Finance, Royal Dutch Shell

- Sam joined Shell as VP Corporate Finance in October 2019 and is based in London.
- Sam worked previously at Rothschild & Co, where he was a managing director in corporate finance. He began his investment banking career at JPMorgan. His corporate finance experience covers M&A, equity and debt.



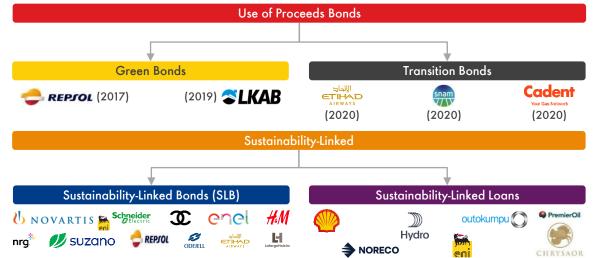
### Royal Dutch Shell's ESG-Linked Revolving Credit Facility

- On 12 December 2019, Royal Dutch Shell signed a \$10 billion ESG-linked corporate revolving credit facility
- The facility was the world's largest ESG-linked loan and represents the first syndicated loan linked to SOFR
- ESG Margin Ratchet: The facility's pricing is partially dependent on Shell's progress towards reaching its short-term Net Carbon Footprint target, underlining the firm's commitment to reducing the environmental impact of the energy products sold
- LIBOR transition to SOFR: The facility provided for the option to replace the LIBOR interest rate with SOFR on first anniversary of the signing date
- Shell has set an ambition to reach net-zero emissions by 2050 and reduce its carbon intensity by 20% by 2030, 45% by 2035, and by 100% by 2050

Signing Date	December 2019	
Borrowers	Royal Dutch Shell PLC and Shell International Finance BV	
Guarantor	Royal Dutch Shell PLC	
Facility	Senior unsecured \$10 billion revolving credit facilities	
Purpose	General Corporate Purposes	
Tranches	\$8 billion RCF and Swingline	\$2 billion RCF
Tenor	5+1+1 years	1+1+1 years <i>plus</i> 1- year Term-Out
ESG Target	Net Carbon Footprint Score at least 1.5% lower than Initial NCF Score	

### **ESG Corporate Financing Options**

- **ESG** issues continue to increase in prominence for investors
  - Investors assess both group-level ESG commitments as well as the use of proceeds from ESG-specific issuance
  - Investors continue to seek enhanced company ESG disclosures
- Focus on ESG issues and ESG finance remains greater in Europe than the US, but the US appears to be catching up
- Negative screening by investors remains the most prevalent issue
- Impact of ESG on availability and cost of term loans and bond market finance for some issuers appears to be increasing
  - However, there continues to be good access to debt capital markets for the oil and gas industry and competitive pricing available

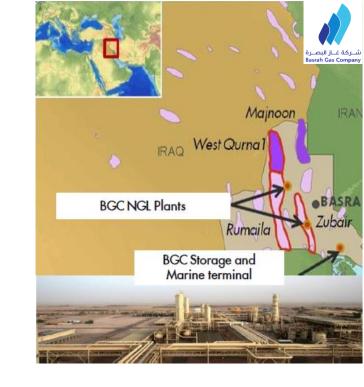


### **Basrah Gas Company IFC Loan**

- BGC is a 25-year incorporated Joint Venture between Iraq's South Gas Company holding 51%, Shell 44% and Mitsubishi Corporation 5%
- BGC is delivering one of the largest gas flaring reduction projects in the world
- IFC and international banks providing 5 year, \$360mln loan

### Reducing gas flaring

- Prevented over 107 million tons of CO2e emissions since 2013
- Loan funds will contribute to increasing BGC's capacity to process natural gas from local producers, helping the country meet its growing energy needs and powering an additional one million Iraqi homes
- BGC's ability to reduce greenhouse gas emissions will be increased by around 10 million tons per annum



#### **BGC loan details**

- IFC, a member of the World Bank Group, acting as lead arranger
- Investment comprises \$180mln of loans from IFC (including IFC's Managed Co-Lending Portfolio Programme) and \$180mln from eight international banks

## **Questions and Answers**



