

GREEN BONDS

CLEAN INVESTMENTS FOR A LOW-CARBON FUTURE



MEDIA RESOURCES

Green bonds are booming and world markets are taking notice. Read media highlights about how these innovative tools are set to deliver the clean investments we need to combat global warming.

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

Massachusetts Goes 'Green'

June 4, 2013

Massachusetts completed a \$100 million bond sale to help finance environmental projects, becoming the first state to sell "green bonds" inspired by a similar program from the World Bank.

The state offered the 20-year bonds with interest rates between 3.20% and 3.85%, and received \$130 million in orders from 154 individual investors and 29 institutions. Proceeds from the bonds will pay for things such as improving water quality, increasing energy efficiency and cleaning up pollution.



Bond Market to Go 'Green' This Year: S&P

May 20, 2014

The "green" corporate bond market will double in size this year, according to Standard & Poor's ratings services, as investors seek to diversify their portfolios and becoming increasingly interested in socially responsible investing.

"Climate" or "green" bonds work like any other debt-based financial instruments, except that the money raised is only invested in environmentally friendly projects. They can be issued by governments, non-governmental organizations, corporations or banks.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Green Bonds Could Be Tax-Free Solution to Transit Funding

April 14, 2014

With the prospect of an election growing more likely every day, the minority Liberals' spring budget may turn out to be more campaign platform than peace treaty.

It will also need to lay out a plan to fund a massive expansion of public transit in the vote-rich Greater Toronto and Hamilton area — one of their key promises — without raising taxes for the middle class.



GLOBAL MARKETS

Johannesburg Stock Exchange Lists Its First Green Bond

June 10 2013

The Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE) has listed a US\$140m green bond designed fund environmental initiatives within South Africa's largest city.

The bonds are priced at 185 basis points (1,85%) above the R2023 South African government bond. The auction took place a week ago and was 150% oversubscribed.



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