# Creditreform ⊆ Rating

Rating Object		Rating Information	
Société Gé	nérale SA(Group)	Long Term Issuer Rating / Outlook:	Short Term:
		A- / Stable	L2
Creditreform ID:	552120222	Type: Update / Unsolicited	
Rating Date: Monitoring until:	07 November 2023 withdrawal of the rating CRA "Bank Ratings v.3.2"	Rating of Bank Capital and Unsecured Deb	t Instruments:
Nating Methodology	CRA "Rating of Bank Capital and Unsecured Debt Instruments v.2.1"	Preferred Senior Unsecured (PSU):	A-
	CRA "Environmental, Social and Governance Score for Banks v.1.0"  CRA "Rating Criteria and Definitions v.1.3"	Non-Preferred Senior Unsecured (NPS):	BBB+
	Control of the Contro	Tier 2 (T2):	BB+
Rating History:	www.creditreform-rating.de	Additional Tier 1 (AT1):	ВВ

#### **Rating Action**

### Creditreform Rating affirms Société Générale's (Group) Long-Term Issuer Rating at A-(Outlook: stable)

Creditreform Rating (CRA) affirms Société Générale's Long-Term Issuer Rating at A-. The rating outlook is stable.

CRA affirms Société Générale's Preferred Senior Unsecured Debt at A-, Non-Preferred Senior Unsecured Debt at BBB+, affirms Tier 2 Capital at BB+ and AT1 Capital at BB.

Please find a complete list of rating actions regarding the bank and its affected subsidiaries at the end of this rating update.

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#### **Key Rating Drivers**

- Significant net profit decrease due to the sale of Rosbank
- Moderate worsening of earnings ratios, in particular ROE and ROA, but still reasonable profitability
- Declining loan and deposit business in 2023
- Large G-SIB with a substantial presence in France, western Europe and North America
- Overall above average asset-quality; marginal improvement of Stage 3 and Stage 2 ratios
- Exhibits average capital ratios with a moderate increase in Tier1 and Total Capital ratio and a slight decrease in Tier1 and Total Capital ratio

#### **Executive Summary**

Quantitative: Satisfactory

Earnings Sufficient

Assets Very Good

Capital Satisfactory

Liquidity Good

Qualitative: Very Good

Creditreform Rating (CRA) affirms Société Générale SA (Group) Long-Term Issuer Rating at A. The rating outlook is stable. The rating was affirms due to the improvement of the operating profit in 2022. Furthermore, the stable asset quality and the sale of Rosbank are responsible for the rating affirmation. We are negative about the fact that all main operating segments achieved a lower result in 9M/2023 compared to the previous year. We also rate the decline in both the lending and deposit business in 2023 as negative.

#### **Company Overview**

Société Générale (in the following: SG or bank) was founded in 1864 and thus belongs to one of the three oldest commercial banks in France. It is one of the largest European financial services groups and operates a diversified, universal banking model. The bank employs more than 117,000 staff in 66 countries and serves 25mn clients.

SG operates three core businesses: French Retail Banking, International Retail Banking and Financial Services and Global Banking and Investor Solutions. French Retail Banking comprises SG, Crédit du Nord (regional banks) and Boursorama (online bank) brands, each offering omnichannel products and services. International Retail Banking offers insurance and financial services to corporates with networks around the globe. Global Banking offers expertise, key international locations and integrated solutions.

SG announced the planned merger of SG and Crédit du Nord banking networks in December 2020 through the project VISION 2025. In 2022, the preparation of the legal merger was finalized and is effective since January 2023. The newly created single retail banking entity serves over 10 million customers. In the medium term, the leasing entity plan is set to become a third pillar alongside retail banking and insurance, and corporate and investment banking. Furthermore, SG has finalized the withdrawal from Russia followed by the disposal of Rosbank and its Russian insurance subsidiaries.

The shareholder structure per December 2022 is as follows:



In the first-half of 2023 SG has closed the acquisition of LeasePlan by ALD and the sale of ALD Russia. SG has also entered into agreements to sell four African subsidiaries within the *International Retail Banking* business segment, located in Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Mauritania and Chad.

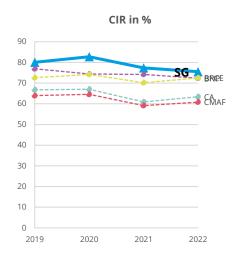
#### **Business Development**

#### **Profitability**

Net interest income remained the key earnings driver in 2022 with EUR 11.3bn, which is roughly 30% of SG's operating income. Both, interest income and expense increased dramatically in 2022. Overall, net interest income increased moderately by 5.3%. The increase in net interest income was due to higher interest rates and increased lending volumes. Net fee and commission income fell slightly by 2.7% compared to previous year, while net trading income increased significantly by 16.9%.

Furthermore, operating expenses rose by 4% mainly due to higher contributions for the Single Resolution Fund. Since operating income grew stronger than operating expenses, SG's operating profit increased by 15% and its CIR decreased marginally to 75.5%. We see the continuous reduction of the CIR over the last years as positive. However, the comparison with the peer group (CIR) shows that SG has still room to improve its:

Chart 2: Cost-to-income Ratio of SG in comparison to the peer Group | Source: eValueRate / CRA

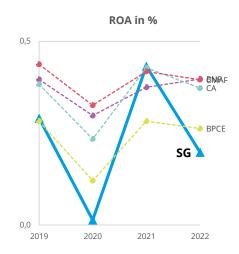


The overall group cost of risk increased to EUR 1.65bn, which is explained by the offshore exposure to Russia and a higher-level cost of risk on stage 1 and stage 2 exposures. Along with a non-recurring expense of EUR 3.3bn due to the disposal of its subsidiary Rosbank and insurance activities in Russia, SG's profitability decreased significantly by 53.5% to EUR 2.95bn in 2022. Although, SG's earnings ratios worsened due to the reduced net profit, we see the disposal of Rosbank as positive.

The comparison with the peer group (ROA) illustrates the decline in SG's earnings situation in an exemplary manner:

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Chart 4: Cost-to-income Ratio of SG in comparison to the peer Group | Source: eValueRate / CRA



In the first-half of 2023, net interest income decreased by 9% yoy, while net fee and commission income increased slightly by 2% yoy. Overall, operating profit decreased slightly yoy. However, due to reduced cost of risk and the negative effect of the disposal of Rosbank in 2022, SG increased its net profit significantly yoy. As of Q3-23 operating income rose to EUR 19.1bn while operating expense amounted EUR 13.9bn. The cost/income ratio fell slightly compared to the end of 2022 to 72.4%.

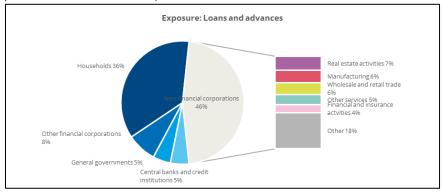
#### **Asset Situation and Asset Quality**

SG was once again able to grow its lending business in 2022, where net loans to customers increased by 2.5%. However, net loan growth was lower than in previous years. The bank's NPL ratio decreased marginally from 3.2% to 3.1%, while the potential problem loan ratio (stage 2) stayed roughly at 8.5%.

The overall asset-quality of SG remains extremely good in 2022. Geographically, the major part of the group asset exposure is concentrated in France (69%), followed by Europe without France (17%). The remainder is concentrated in North America (8%), Asia/Oceania (4%) and Africa (2%). With respect to SG's business segments, the majority of the asset exposure is located at *Global Banking and Investor Solutions* (51.4%), followed by *International Retail Banking and Financial Services* (22.4%) and *French Retail Banking* (20.2%). SG improved its RWA-ratio once again to 24.2%, which is remarkable and underpins Société Générale's well-diversified business portfolio.

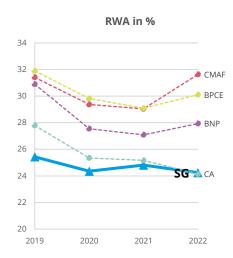
The good diversification of credit exposure across various industries and households is also illustrated by the following chart:

Chart 5: Exposure Loans and advances of SG | Source: eValueRate / CRA



The comparison with the peer group (RWAs in relation to total assets) also illustrates the remarkable position of SG's asset quality:

Chart 6: RWA ratios of SG in comparison to the peer Group | Source: eValueRate / CRA



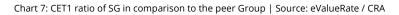
In the first-half of 2023, SG's NPL-ratio and potential problem loan ratio decreased moderately. Additionally, SG was able to maintain its RWA-ratio. Overall, SG's asset quality slightly improved. As of Q3-23 SG's NPL-ratio rose slightly compared to the previous quarterly report and amounted to 3.36%. This happened because of a decrease in loans to customers. The RWA-ratio remained almost unchanged.

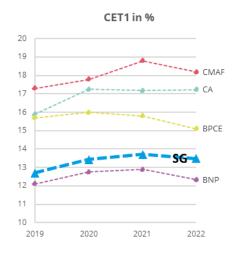
#### **Refinancing, Capital Quality and Liquidity**

As total equity of Société Générale increased more than total assets, the total equity ratio increased marginally, but still underperforms generally. With respect to its capital ratios, the bank's CET-ratio decreased slightly to 13.5% due to the stronger decrease in CET1 capital, mainly determined by regulatory deductions, compared to the slight decrease of its RWA exposure. Coming from this, SG held at the end of 2022 a CET1 buffer above its SREP minimum requirements of 4.1%, which has potential to improve. On the other hand, the bank exhibits a slight

increase of the Tier1 ratio from 15.9% to 16.3% and its Total Capital ratio from 18.9% to 19.3%, which is the result of two new issuances of deeply subordinated notes, which led to higher Tier1 and Total Capital. Overall, Société Générale exhibits average capital ratios. With regard to the liquidity situation, it remains satisfactory, with a liquidity coverage ratio slightly above the previous year's level and an average NSFR of 113.6%.

A comparison with the peer group clearly shows that some of SG's peers are significantly better capitalized (CET1 ratio):





In the first-half of 2023, SG's total equity ratio increased marginally. In contrast, SG's regulatory capital decreased moderately, while its liquidity siutation remains satisfactory with a NSFR of 113% and a LCR of 152%. In Q3-23, the total equity ratio remained at the same level as in the previous quarter. There were also no significant changes in the regulatory key figures. The average LCR amounted to 155%, while the NSFR was 117%.

Due to SG's bank capital and debt structure, as well as its status as a G-SIB, the Group's Preferred Senior Unsecured Debt instruments are not notched down in comparison to the Long-Term Issuer Rating. Due to the seniority structure, SG's Non-Preferred Senior Unsecured debt is rated BBB+. SG's Tier 2 Capital is rated BB+ based on the SG's capital structure and seniority in accordance with our rating methodology. Additional Tier 1 Capital is rated BB, reflecting the capital structure, seniority and a high bail-in risk in the event of resolution.

#### **Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Score Card**

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SG has one significant and two moderate ESG rating drivers

• Corporate Governance is identified as a highly significant rating driver but is rated neutral in terms of the CRA ESG criteria.. The relevance for the credit rating results from the impact of the Corporate Governance factor on all other ESG factors and the overall well-being of the bank. This sub-factor is rated neutral in light of the Bank reporting negative earnings due to the COVID-19 crisis, as one of the few large European lenders to do so, mitigated by its status as G-SIB and stable leadership

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• Corporate Behaviour and Green Financing / Promoting are identified as moderate rating driver. While Green Financing / Promoting is rated positive due to fair amount of green bonds, Coporate Behaviour is rated negative due the misconduct in recent years in relation with money laundering, fraud, corruption investigations and plentitude of lawsuits pending.

ESG Score Guidance

> 4,25 Outstanding

>3,5 - 4,25 Above-average

>2,5 - 3,5 Average

>1,75 - 2,5 Substandard

<=1,75 Poor

Factor	r Sub-Factor Consideration		Relevance Scale 2022	Eval.
=		The sub-factor "Green Financing/Promoting" has a moderate relevance for the credit rating and is rated positive in terms of the CRA ESG criteria.		(+)
ironme	1.2 Exposure to Environ- mental Factors  The sub-factor "Exposure to Environmental Factors" has a low relevance for the credit rating, and is rated positive in terms of the CRA ESG criteria.		2	(+)
Envi	1.3 Resource Efficiency	The sub-factor "Resource Efficiency" has no significant relevance for the credit rating, and is rated positive in terms of the CRA ESG criteria.	1	(+)

cial	I2 1 Human Canital	The sub-factor "Human Capital" has low relevance for the credit rating, and is rated positive in terms of the CRA ESG criteria.		(+)
S	1) ) Social Responsibility	The sub-factor "Social Responsibility" has no significant relevance for the credit rating, and is rated positive in terms of the CRA ESG criteria.	1	(+)

9	I3 1 ( ornorate ( overnance	The sub-factor "Corporate Governance" is highly relevant for the credit rating, and is rated neutral in terms of the CRA ESG criteria.	4	( )
vernan	3.2 Corporate Behaviour	The sub-factor "Corporate Behaviour" has a moderate relevance for the credit rating, and is rated negative in terms of the CRA ESG criteria.	3	(-)
9	13 3 ( Ornorata Irancharanov	The sub-factor "Corporate Transparency" has no significant relevance for the credit rating, and is rated positive in terms of the CRA ESG criteria.	1	(+)

ESG Relevance Scale			
5	Highest Relevance		
4	High Relevance		
3	Moderate Relevance		
2	Low Relevance		
1	No significant Relevance		

ESG Evaluation Guidance			
(+ +) Strong positive			
(+) Positive			
( ) Neutral			
( - ) Negative			
()	Strong negativ		

The ESG Score is based on the Methodology "Environmental, Social and Governance Score of Banken (Version 1.0)" of Creditreform Rating AG, which is available on our homepage https://creditreform-rating.de/en/about-us/regulatory-requirements.html. In addition, we refer to CRA's position paper "Consodering the Impact of ESG Factors"

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#### **Outlook**

The outlook of the Long-Term Issuer Rating of Société Générale SA is stable. In the medium term, CRA expects stable asset quality for Société Générale SA in the loan portfolio. As a result, we continue to expect a profitable business model, even with lower interest margins. Due to the low RWA ratio and the low NPL ratio, we do not expect a weakening economy.

Best-case scenario: A+

Worst-case scenario: BBB+

#### Please note:

The scenarios are based on information available at the time of the rating. Within the forecast horizon, circumstances may occur that could lead to a change of the rating out of the indicated range.

#### **Scenario Analysis**

In a scenario analysis, the Société Générale SA is able to reach a Long-Term Issuer Rating of A+ in the "Best-Case-Scenario" and a Long-Term Issuer Rating of BBB+ in the "Worst-Case-Scenario". The ratings of Bank Capital and Senior Unsecured Debt would respond similarly based on our rating methodology. These ratings are especially sensitive to changes in total equity and to the bank capital and debt structure in general.

We might upgrade SG's Long-Term Issuer Rating and the ratings of Bank Capital and Senior Unsecured Debt due to due to stable growth in the loan portfolio with unchanged asset quality ratios. At the same time, the interest margin should remain constant, so that the net income generated will further increase equity.

By contrast, a downgrade of SG's Long-Term Issuer Rating and the ratings of Bank Capital and Senior Unsecured Debt due to a further weakening of the economy in France and the resulting higher write-offs on the loan portfolio.

#### **Appendix**

#### Bank ratings Société Générale SA

The bank ratings are dependent on a host of quantitative and qualitative factors. An improvement in either sub-category may result in a higher rating score.

Long-Term Issuer / Outlook / Short-Term A- / L2 / Stable

#### Bank Capital and Debt Instruments Ratings Société Générale SA

The ratings for bank capital and debt instruments are inter alia dependent on subordination and relative size of the instrument class, based on the long-term issuer rating of the bank.

Preferred Senior Unsecured (PSU):

Non-Preferred Senior Unsecured (NPS):

BBB+

Tier 2 (T2):

Additional Tier 1 (AT1):

BB

#### **Rating History**

Please consult our website www.creditreform-rating.de for additional information regarding the dates of publication.

Figure 1: Rating History

Bank Issuer Rating	Rating Date	Result
Initialrating	23.05.2018	BBB+ / stable / L2
Rating Update	16.08.2019	BBB+ / stable / L2
Monitoring	24.03.2020	BBB+ / NEW / L2
Rating Update	17.11.2020	BBB+ / negative / L3
Rating Update	24.11.2021	BBB+ / positive / L3
Rating Update	06.12.2022	A- / stable / L2
Rating Update	07.11.2023	A- / stable / L2
Bank Capital and Debt Instruments	Rating Date	Result
Bank Capital and Debt Instruments Senior Unsecured / T2 / AT1 (initial)	<b>Rating Date</b> 23.05.2018	Result BBB+ / BB / BB-
Senior Unsecured / T2 / AT1 (initial)	23.05.2018	BBB+ / BB / BB-
Senior Unsecured / T2 / AT1 (initial) PSU / NPS / T2 / AT1	23.05.2018 16.08.2019	BBB+ / BB / BB- BBB+ / BBB / BB / BB- BBB+ / BBB / BB / BB-
Senior Unsecured / T2 / AT1 (initial) PSU / NPS / T2 / AT1 PSU / NPS / T2 / AT1	23.05.2018 16.08.2019 24.03.2020	BBB+ / BB / BB- BBB+ / BBB / BB / BB- BBB+ / BBB / BB / BB- (NEW)
Senior Unsecured / T2 / AT1 (initial) PSU / NPS / T2 / AT1 PSU / NPS / T2 / AT1 PSU / NPS / T2 / AT1	23.05.2018 16.08.2019 24.03.2020 17.11.2020	BBB+ / BB / BB- BBB+ / BBB / BB / BB- BBB+ / BBB / BB / BB- (NEW) BBB+ / BBB / BB / BB-

#### **Tables Group (if applicable)**

Figure 2: Income statement  $^1$  | Source: eValueRate / CRA

Income Statement (EUR m)	2022	%	2021	2020	2019
Income	2022	70	2021	2020	2013
Net Interest Income	11.286	+5.3	10.718	10.473	11.185
Net Fee & Commission Income	5.174	-2,7	5.320	4.917	5.257
Net Insurance Income	2.211	-1,2	2.238	2.124	1.925
Net Trading & Fair Value Income	6.691	+16,9	5.723	2.851	4.460
Equity Accounted Results	15	>+100	6	3	-129
Dividends from Equity Instruments	-	-	-	-	-
Other Income	13.221	+8,0	12.237	11.471	11.629
Operating Income	38.598	+6,5	36.242	31.839	34.327
Expense					
Depreciation and Amortisation	1.569	-4,6	1.645	1.604	1.532
Personnel Expense	10.052	+2,9	9.764	9.289	9.955
Tech & Communications Expense	2.574	+8,6	2.371	2.087	2.328
Marketing and Promotion Expense	-	-	-	ı	-
Other Provisions	-		ı	-87	-32
Other Expense	14.959	+5,0	14.248	13.457	13.697
Operating Expense	29.154	+4,0	28.028	26.350	27.480
Operating Profit & Impairment					
Operating Profit	9.444	+15,0	8.214	5.489	6.847
Cost of Risk / Impairment	1.647	>+100	814	4.077	1.310
Net Income					
Non-Recurring Income	0	-100,0	635	0	0
Non-Recurring Expense	3.290	-	ı	12	327
Pre-tax Profit	4.507	-43,9	8.035	1.400	5.210
Income Tax Expense	1.560	-8,1	1.697	1.204	1.264
Discontinued Operations	-	-	-	-	-
Net Profit	2.947	-53,5	6.338	196	3.946
Attributable to minority interest (non-controlling interest)	929	+33,3	697	454	698
Attributable to owners of the parent	2.018	-64,2	5.641	-258	3.248

Figure 3: Key earnings figures | Source: eValueRate / CRA and Pillar III

Income Ratios (%)	2022	%	2021	2020	2019
Cost Income Ratio (CIR)	75,53	-1,80	77,34	82,76	80,05
Cost Income Ratio ex. Trading (CIRex)	91,37	-0,47	91,84	90,90	92,01
Return on Assets (ROA)	0,20	-0,23	0,43	0,01	0,29
Return on Equity (ROE)	4,05	-4,89	8,94	0,29	5,75
Return on Assets before Taxes (ROAbT)	0,30	-0,25	0,55	0,10	0,38
Return on Equity before Taxes (ROEbT)	6,19	-5,15	11,34	2,09	7,60
Return on Risk-Weighted Assets (RORWA)	0,82	-0,93	1,74	0,06	1,14
Return on Risk-Weighted Assets before Taxes (RORWAbT)	1,25	-0,96	2,21	0,40	1,51
Net Financial Margin (NFM)	1,50	+0,07	1,43	1,14	1,45
Pre-Impairment Operating Profit / Assets	0,64	+0,07	0,56	0,38	0,50

Change in %- Points

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 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Data by our data provider eValueRate, which is standardized for analytical reasons. Thus, the used data and the resulting figures do not have necessary to match the presentation of the bank, which refers to this and all subsequent tables and figures.

Figure 4: Development of assets | Source: eValueRate / CRA

Assets (EUR m)	2022	%	2021	2020	2019
Cash and Balances with Central Banks	207.013	+15,0	179.969	168.179	102.311
Net Loans to Banks	49.233	+7,5	45.788	52.442	44.336
Net Loans to Customers	507.362	+2,5	495.147	440.322	430.703
Total Securities	162.425	-17,6	197.026	193.497	173.897
Total Derivative Assets	106.522	-6,3	113.725	155.039	153.087
Other Financial Assets	166.808	+38,6	120.355	161.497	173.309
Financial Assets	1.199.363	+4,1	1.152.010	1.170.976	1.077.643
Equity Accounted Investments	146	+53,7	95	100	112
Other Investments	11	-8,3	12	12	13
Insurance Assets	158.415	-11,4	178.898	166.854	164.938
Non-current Assets & Discontinued Ops	1.081	>+100	27	6	4.507
Tangible and Intangible Assets	36.859	+3,3	35.697	34.120	35.458
Tax Assets	4.696	-2,4	4.812	4.995	5.779
Total Other Assets	86.247	-7,2	92.898	67.341	68.045
Total Assets	1.486.818	+1,5	1.464.449	1.444.404	1.356.495

Figure 5: Development of asset quality | Source: eValueRate / CRA and Pillar III

Asset Ratios (%)	2022	%	2021	2020	2019
Net Loans to Customers / Assets	34,12	+0,31	33,81	30,48	31,75
Risk-weighted Assets <sup>1</sup> / Assets	24,24	-0,57	24,81	24,36	0,00
NPL <sup>2</sup> / Loans to Customers <sup>3</sup>	3,05	-0,15	3,20	3,63	3,36
NPL <sup>2</sup> / Risk-weighted Assets <sup>1</sup>	4,37	-0,13	4,50	4,79	4,65
Potential Problem Loans <sup>4</sup> / Loans to Customers <sup>3</sup>	8,47	-0,07	8,54	10,55	5,39
Reserves <sup>5</sup> / NPL <sup>2</sup>	79,89	-0,84	80,73	76,32	77,19
Cost of Risk / Loans to Customers <sup>3</sup>	0,32	+0,16	0,16	0,88	0,27
Cost of Risk / Risk-weighted Assets <sup>1</sup>	0,46	+0,23	0,22	1,16	0,38
Cost of Risk / Total Assets	0,11	+0,06	0,06	0,28	0,10
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Figure 6: Development of refinancing and capital adequacy | Source: eValueRate / CRA

Liabilities (EUR m)	2022	%	2021	2020	2019
Total Deposits from Banks	137.717	-2,3	140.948	134.025	102.741
Total Deposits from Customers	523.867	+4,3	502.395	450.523	409.852
Total Debt	200.223	+1,6	197.104	186.554	178.583
Derivative Liabilities	108.573	-9,4	119.864	161.791	155.003
Securities Sold, not yet Purchased	-	-	-	1	ı
Other Financial Liabilities	187.978	+13,8	165.254	207.477	205.104
Total Financial Liabilities	1.158.358	+2,9	1.125.565	1.140.370	1.051.283
Insurance Liabilities	141.688	-8,8	155.288	146.126	144.259
Non-current Liabilities & Discontinued Ops	220	>+100	1	0	1.333
Tax Liabilities	1.566	+4,3	1.501	1.137	1.308
Provisions	4.651	-5,6	4.926	4.822	4.488
Total Other Liabilities	107.553	+1,2	106.305	84.937	85.254
Total Liabilities	1.414.036	+1,5	1.393.586	1.377.392	1.287.925
Total Equity	72.782	+2,7	70.863	67.012	68.570
Total Liabilities and Equity	1.486.818	+1,5	1.464.449	1.444.404	1.356.495

Change in %-Points

1 RWA: Pillar3, EU CR1

2 NPI: Gross; Non-Performing Loans of the categories Households, Non-Financial Corporations, Other Financial Corporations as per Pillar3, EU CR1

3 Loans to Customers: Gross; Households, Non-Financial Corporations, Other Financial Corporations as per Pillar3, EU CR1

4 Potential Problem Loans: Stage 2; Households, Non-Financial Corporations, Other Financial Corporations as per Pillar3, EU CR1

5 Reserves: Impairment & Provisions and Collateral & Guarantees; Households, Non-Financial Corporations, Other Financial Corporations as per Pillar3, EU CR1

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Figure 7: Development of capital and liquidity ratios | Source: eValueRate / CRA and Pillar III

Capital Ratios and Liquidity (%)	2022	%	2021	2020	2019
Total Equity / Total Assets	4,90	+0,06	4,84	4,64	5,05
Leverage Ratio <sup>1</sup>	4,37	-0,50	4,87	4,77	4,30
Common Equity Tier 1 Ratio (CET1) <sup>2</sup>	13,49	-0,22	13,71	13,44	12,70
Tier 1 Ratio (CET1 + AT1) <sup>2</sup>	16,29	+0,36	15,94	15,97	15,06
Total Capital Ratio (CET1 + AT1 + T2) <sup>2</sup>	19,34	+0,50	18,85	19,21	18,29
CET1 Minimum Capital Requirements <sup>1</sup>	9,35	+0,33	9,02	9,02	9,11
Net Stable Funding Ratio (NSFR) <sup>1</sup>	113,60	+3,19	110,41	-	-
Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) <sup>1</sup>	141,41	+5,46	135,95	160,14	0,00

Change in %-Points
1 Pillar 3 EU KM1
2 Regulatory Capital Ratios: Pillar 3 EU KM1

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#### Regulatory

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On 07 November 2023, the rating was presented by the analysts to the rating committee and adopted in a resolution.

The rating result was communicated to Société Générale SA, and the preliminary rating report was made available to the bank. There was no change in the rating.

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