

Rated entity:

Bearer Bonds with the ISIN: XS1925359058 issued by RE Debt Strategy S.A. acting in respect of its Compartment 3

Rating:

A-

Rating outlook / addition:

Outlook stable

Basic rating data:

Initial Issue Date	18.12.2018
Jurisdiction rated entity	German law
Exchange	---
Legal form	Luxembourg securitisation company in the form of a S.A.
Issue volume	Up to EUR 225,000,000.00
Seniority	Non-subordinated
Collateralisation	Non-collateralized
Credit Enhancement	Available
Legal Maturity	17.12.2025
Cupon	Euribor 3 months + 0.75% p.a.
Cupon period	Quarterly
Cupon type	Fix (deferrable) + variable
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Rating rationale:

CRA confirms the rating of A- with a stable outlook. The rating level is supported by initial and currently conservative look through LTVs, extensive loan agreements with additional contractual enhancements and a good quality of the asset manager. Since the investment phase was terminated and the built up of the European portfolio is nearly final blindpool risks are no longer applicable. Furthermore, two loans were prematurely realised with gaining additional prepayment fees and resulting in the creation of a credit enhancement (CE) by using excess cash for early amortisation of the notes. The CE was initially not expected by us and has positive effects on our quantitative analysis. However, although the current impact of Covid-19 on the portfolio is manageable, effects on different asset classes have to be monitored by us and a comprehensive assessment of the midterm developments is subject to increased uncertainties at the moment. These increased operational, portfolio and credit risks derived by us from the current market situation results in the rating that remains stable despite the isolated improvement from quantitative analysis.

Primary key rating driver:

- (+) Long-standing experience and positive track record of the asset manager
- (+) Investments into senior secured debt financings and currently conservative senior look through LTV's (w. average 54%) represent adequate buffer and comfort to ensure the servicing and redemption of the notes
- (+) On loan by loan basis additional contractual enhancements (like covenants and reserve account pledges, etc.), which offer more comfort and security for servicing the notes
- (+) Realised creation of a credit enhancement through excess spread amortisation improved quantitative analysis result
- (-) The notes are unsecured, but Indirect and proportional participation in the security package of purchased loans and issued bonds
- (-) Limited portfolio effect due to relatively low number of investments and minor interest spread between loans and notes interests
- (-) Increased operational and portfolio and credit risks due to Covid -19 impacts on European economy and real estate market (i.a. tenant risks, demand risks)

Ratings sensitivities:

Best-case scenario: In this scenario, we improved the property grades, resulting in a quantitative rating of A+.

Worst-case scenario: In this scenario, we applied additional stress on the values of two properties, resulting in a quantitative rating of BBB.

ESG-Criteria:

CRA generally considers ESG factors (environment, social and governance) within its rating decisions. In the present case, ESG criteria had no comprehensive impact to the rating.

ESG factors with material impact were not identified.

Latest rating date / Disclosure to rated entity / Maximum validity:

10.12.2020 / 10.12.2020 / 17.12.2025

Between the disclosure of the credit rating to the rated entity and the public disclosure, no amendments were made to the credit rating.

Initial rating date:

05.02.2019 / A / Outlook stable

Status of solicitation:

The rating is a solicited rating. The degree of participation was as follows:

With Rated Entity or Related Third Party Participation: Yes

With Access to Internal Documents: Yes

With Access to Management: Yes

Notes:

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The rating was conducted on the basis of Creditreform Rating's "Issue Ratings" in conjunction with Creditreform's basic document "Rating Criteria and Definitions".

Important sources of information in the context of the rating were, in addition to the submitted documents, a management meeting by phone on 03/12/2020. The submitted documents and information provided by LaSalle or rather the Issuer were sufficient to meet the requirements of Creditreform Rating AG's rating methodology.

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This rating was carried out by analysts Simon Cordes (Lead) and Sardor Abdullaev, all located in Neuss/Germany. The function of Person Approving Credit Ratings (PAC) was performed by Sascha Pomorin.

Closing of the transaction occurred on 18/12/2018. The rating is based on the portfolio information and transaction documentation as of 07/12/2020, as provided by LaSalle or the Issuer.

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