Criteria Essentials – Government-Related Entity (GRE) Ratings (1/2)

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Key Rating Factors for GRE Support

Responsibility to support

- 1. Decision-making and oversight
- 2. Precedents of support

Incentives to support

- 3. Preservation of government policy role
- 4. Contagion risk

Support Factor Scoring

- Each factor assessed either: Very Strong, Strong, or n.a. (Not Strong Enough) - see next page for attributes
- Only Very Strong, Strong contribute to score
- Incentives factors weigh twice responsibility ones

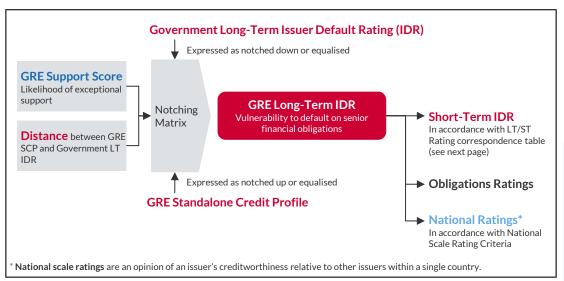
Factor Scoring and GRE Support Score Derivation

Responsibility Factors Incentive Factors	2 V Strong	1 V Strong 1 Strong	1 V Strong	2 Strong	1 Strong	2 n.a.
2 V Strong	60	55	52.5	50	45	40
1 V Strong, 1 Strong	50	45	42.5	40	35	30
1 V Strong	45	40	37.5	35	30	25
2 Strong	40	35	32.5	30	25	20
1 Strong	30	25	22.5	20	15	10
2 n.a.	20	15	12.5	10	5	0

GRE Support Score

GRF Support Categories

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	Support re Range	Support Category					
Mir	n Max						
45	5 60	A – Virtually certain					
35	5 42.5	B - Extremely likely					
30	32.5	C – Very likely					
20) 25	D – Strong expectations					
15	5 15	E - Moderate expectations					
12.5	5 12.5	F - Modest expectations					
() 10	G - Virtually no expectations					



Notching Matrix Guideline for GRE Issuer Default Rating

	GRE Support Category									
	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G			
Distance b/w GRE SCP and govt IDR	Rating expressed as top-down from govt IDR Notches down from government IDR:			Rating express Note	Standalone or capped					
>0	SCP or 0	SCP or 0	SCP or 0	SCP or 0	SCP or 0	SCP or 0	SCP or 0			
0	0	0	0	SCP	SCP	SCP	SCP			
-1	0	0	0	0/+1	SCP	SCP	SCP			
-2	0	0	0	+1	SCP	SCP	SCP			
-3	0	0	-1	+1	SCP	SCP	SCP			
-4	0	-1	-2	+1	SCP	SCP	SCP			
-5	0	-1	-2	+2	+1	SCP	SCP			
-6	0	-1	-2	+3	+2	+1	SCP			
-7	0	-1	-2	+4	+2	+1	SCP			
-8	0	-1	-2	+4	+3	+1	SCP			
-9	0	-1	-2	+5	+3	+1	SCP			
-10	0	-2	-3	+5	+3	+1	SCP			
-11	-1	-2	-4	+5	+3	+1	SCP			
-12	-1	-3	-4	+5	+3	+1	SCP			
-13	-2	-3	-5	+5	+3	+1	SCP			
-14	-2	-3	-5	+5	+3	+1	SCP			
-15	-2	-3	-5	+5	+3	+1	SCP			

GRE Rating Criteria

- A cross-sector criteria applied to entities for which a national, regional or local government has sufficient control over the entity for a parent/ subsidiary relationship to be present.
- Applied in conjunction with relevant master criteria (see next page)

Distance between GRE Standalone Credit Profile and Government IDR

- Government IDR: captures its ability and capacity to support the GRE
- GRE standalone credit profile (SCP):
- Captures the GRE's capacity to meet its financial obligations
- Assigned under the relevant rating criteria depending on the GRE's mission, assuming no exceptional support (see next page)

Specific Situations

If the GRE cannot be delinked from the government, it is equalised or notched down from the government IDR based on its support score:

GRE Support A B C D E, F, G Category

Notch down from 0 -1 -2 -3 n.a.

govt IDR

- 2 Single factors leading to equalisation of GRE rating with government IDR:
 - The government sustainably guarantees more than 75% of the GRE debt. or
 - The GRE legal status is equivalent to a government guarantee
- 3 GRE rating may be higher than government IDR if GRE SCP > govt IDR and govt has limited access to GRE cash or assets.



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Typically, the supporting government is the national, regional or local government with direct or indirect majority economic or control authority

For multi-owned GREs, a weighted average of the credit profile of these governments is used in lieu of an IDR of the supporting government, based on their controlling stakes and/or funding involvement in the GRE.

Looking through the immediate government owner is possible when effective control over the GRE rests with a different level of government

GRE subsidiaries

with strong links to

government: GRE

criteria apply using

government IDR as

reference (ie 'looking through' the GRE parent)

For system or wide public-sector models, where systemic support is strong, but direct support from an entity or group of entities is not clearly identifiable, GRE support category is capped at D and GRE rating expressed

Supporting Government Identification

as bottom-up from government IDR.

Rating Approach for Subsidiaries of GREs

than that nominally owning

over the entity

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3 All other cases: the

and Subsidiary

Linkage Rating Criteria apply

Parent

		Strong Attributes		Very Strong Attributes (On top of Strong)
to Support	Decision-making and oversight	Government exercises decision-making power over the GRE covering its operational activities, financial performance, funding structure and investment plans		Evidence of tighter control by the government: it defines key aspects of the GRE operations and investments and monitors the implementation of such decisions
		Evidence of ongoing government oversight	1D	
	Precedents of support	Past support meaningful to maintain or improve its financial profile	D	Consistent past support to maintain a sufficiently strong financial profile
Responsibility to Support		Conditional fiscal resources		Unconditional (or statutory) fiscal funding
		Easing of debt financing		Repeated debt assumptions / the Government provides most debt facilities
		Liability transfer provision	OR	Liability transfer precedents
,	Preservation of government policy role	Provision of key public service /Sovereignty matter / key economic activity		Immediate impact of the default on the core responsibility of the government with limited/no substitutes
:		Other meaningful political implications	R R	High profile core government entity; deep political crisis in case of default
		Valuable assets with net benefit to rescue	K	Valuable key assets with net benefit to rescue
	Contagion risk	GRE has (or is expected to have) incurred debt	10 -	GRE is a reference issuer / the GRE receives high level of funding from MDB
Incentives to Support		High-profile GRE; Likely disruptions		High profile core government entity; default leads to major disruption
		No episode contradicting contagion assumption	1D	No episode contradicting contagion assumption

Criteria Used to Derive GRE Standalone Credit Profile Depending on the GRE mission

Financing Vehicles:

IDR typically

equalised with

the IDR of the

relevant entity

within the group

Public-mission GREs

- Public Policy Revenue-Supported Entities Rating Criteria or
- U.S. Public Sector, Revenue-Supported Entities Rating Criteria

GRE with a primary corporate commercial mission

• Corporate Rating Criteria

Commercial infrastructure GRE

• Infrastructure and Project Finance Rating Criteria

Certain types of financial GREs

• Non-Bank Financial Institution Rating Criteria

Derivation of Short-Term IDRs (typically applicable for instruments with initial maturity ≤13 months)

Correspondence table between Long- and Short-Term Ratings

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Long-Term Rating		AAA to AA-	A+	А	A-	BBB+	BBB	BBB-	BB+ to B-	CCC+ to C	RD/D
ST Rating	Lower option	F1+			F2	F2	F3	F3	В	С	C/RD/D
	Higher option		F1+	F1+	F1	F1	F2				

- If the GRE LT IDR is equalised with the government IDR, the GRE ST IDR is also equalised.
- If the GRE LT IDR is expressed as top-down from government IDR, the higher of the two ST options apply, capped at the government ST IDR.
- If the GRE LT IDR is expressed as bottom-up from GRE SCP or using a standalone basis, the GRE ST IDR option is chosen using the rationale outlined by the relevant criteria used for SCP assessment.