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## Press Release

### **A new public bond transaction by CAFFIL, Caisse Française de Financement Local, with a maturity of 10 years and an issuance volume of one billion Euros.**

**Caisse Française de Financement Local (CAFFIL) has today, September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2015, launched a new public Obligations Foncières (covered bond) transaction at an efficient cost with a spread of 5.5 bps below the OAT curve.**

This operation took place in the context of a reopening of the primary market since the last week of August. This is the first jumbo size transaction in this maturity segment since the end of the first quarter, with issuers in recent days generally opting for the 5 to 7 year segment.

The chosen maturity of 10 years adds a new point to the public issuance curve of CAFFIL with a benchmark size of EUR 1.0 billion. It is also representative of the maturity profile of loans refinanced by CAFFIL.

The issue carries an interest rate of 1.125%, and the yield corresponds to a spread of 3 basis points over the 6 months swap rate and 5.5 bps below the interpolated OAT curve.

The order book counted close to 40 investors, mainly in France (61% of allocations) and in Germany and Austria (26%) but also in the UK (7%), Asia (3%) and Benelux (3%).

Central banks, including the euro-system accounted for 53% of the allocations. Nevertheless, the treasuries of commercial banks also provided significant support with 36% of allocations. Asset managers, with 9%, and insurers, with 2%, completed the order book.

*"In a market that is still fragile and volatile, CAFFIL as a reference issuer in the European covered bond market, was able to raise a significant amount of funding with a long maturity, at an efficient cost below the benchmark OAT. With this transaction, funds raised this year by CAFFIL on the covered bond market amount to EUR 4.5 billion, fully in line with its annual target of EUR 5 to 6 billion. CAFFIL is in a position to regularly and at the best possible conditions raise the funds needed to fulfill the two missions the State has entrusted to its parent company SFIL: refinance loans to French local authorities and health facilities, originated by La Banque Postale, and refinance large French export credits with a guarantee of the French State, as an institution at the service of banks active in this sector." said Philippe Mills, CEO and SFIL CAFFIL Chairman of the Supervisory Board.*

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