

Media Release:

# BNP Paribas Taipei Branch Outlook Revised To Negative After Similar Action On Parent; 'twAAA/twA-1+' Ratings Affirmed

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### **Overview**

- S&P Global Ratings has revised the outlook on its issuer credit rating on Paris-based BNP Paribas to negative from stable. At the same time, the global scale ratings were affirmed at 'A+/A-1'.
- The ratings and outlook on BNP Paribas Taipei move in tandem with those on its parent, which reflects our view that the branch has the same credit profile as its parent.
- We are therefore revising the outlook on our issuer credit ratings on BNP Paribas Taipei to negative from stable. We are also affirming the issuer credit ratings at 'twAAA/twA-1+'.

## **Rating Action**

Taiwan Ratings Corp. today revised the outlook on its issuer credit ratings on **BNP Paribas Taipei Branch** to negative from stable. At the same time, we affirmed the issuer credit ratings at 'twAAA/twA-1+'.

### Rationale

On April 23, 2020, S&P Global Ratings revised the outlook on its issuer credit ratings on Parisbased BNP Paribas to negative from stable and affirmed the ratings at 'A+/A-1'.

The outlook revision on BNP Paribas Taipei branch is in accordance with the rating action taken by S&P Global Ratings on the parent bank, given our view that the branch has the same creditworthiness as the parent. We expect the parent will fulfill the Taipei branch's obligations on a timely basis, if needed. BNP Paribas Taipei follows the policies and procedures as its headquarters with good integration of its risk management framework. BNP Paribas Taipei's capital has remained adequate since it began operations and the parent headquarters has supported most of its funding needs.

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### Outlook

The negative outlook on BNP Paribas Taipei reflects the outlook on its parent's credit profile, which implies that S&P Global Ratings could downwardly revise the group's long-term credit rating within the next 12-24 months. The ratings on BNP Paribas Taipei will move in tandem with those on its parent.

### **Related Criteria & Research**

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### **Related Research**

- BNP Paribas And Most Core Subsidiaries Outlooks To Negative On Higher Industry Risks Amid COVID-19; Ratings Affirmed, www.standardandpoors.com - April 23, 2020.

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# **Ratings List**

Ratings Affirmed; Outlook Action

	То	From
BNP Paribas Taipei Branch		
Issuer Credit Rating	twAAA/Negative/twA-1+	twAAA/Stable/twA-1+

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