

Media Release:

Outlook On Societe Generale (Taipei Branch) Revised To Stable From Negative After Similar Parent Action; 'twAA+/twA-1+' Ratings Affirmed

June 28, 2021

Overview

- S&P Global Ratings has revised its rating outlook on Paris-based Societe Generale to stable from negative and affirmed the global scale issuer credit ratings at 'A/A-1'.
- The ratings and outlook on SG 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 have revised the outlook on our long-term issuer credit rating on SG Taipei to stable from negative.
- We also affirmed the 'twAA+' long-term and 'twA-1+' short-term issuer credit ratings on the bank.

Rating Action

Taiwan Ratings Corp. today revised its rating outlook on **Societe Generale (Taipei Branch)** (SG Taipei) to stable from negative. At the same time, we affirmed the 'twAA+' long-term and 'twA-1+' short-term issuer credit ratings.

Rationale

On June 24, 2021, S&P Global Ratings revised its rating outlook on Paris-based Societe Generale to stable from negative and affirmed the long-term 'A' and 'A-1' short-term ratings on the bank.

Our outlook revision today on SG Taipei is in accordance with S&P Global Ratings' outlook revision on the parent bank, given our view that the Taipei branch has the same creditworthiness as the parent. We believe Societe Generale will fulfill the Taipei branch's financial obligations on a timely basis, if needed. SG Taipei follows the same policies and procedures as its headquarters with good integration on its risk management framework. SG Taipei has maintained adequate capital since it began operations and the parent headquarters has supported most of its funding needs.

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Outlook

The stable outlook on SG Taipei reflects the outlook on the parent. The ratings on SG Taipei will move in tandem with those on its parent.

Related Criteria & Research

Related Criteria

- General Criteria: Hybrid Capital: Methodology And Assumptions July 01, 2019
- General Criteria: Group Rating Methodology July 01, 2019
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 Methodology And Assumptions November 20, 2013
- Criteria | Financial Institutions | Banks: Assessing Bank Branch Creditworthiness October
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 Methodology And Assumptions July 17, 2013
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- Criteria | Financial Institutions | Banks: Banking Industry Country Risk Assessment Methodology And Assumptions - November 09, 2011
- General Criteria: Principles Of Credit Ratings February 16, 2011
- Criteria | Financial Institutions | Banks: Commercial Paper I: Banks March 23, 2004
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- General Criteria: Methodology For National And Regional Scale Credit Ratings June 25,
 2018

Related Research

- Various Rating Actions On French Banks As Easing Macroeconomic Downside Risk Is
 Dampened By Structural Profit Pressure; www.standardandpoors.com June 24, 2021.
- Taiwan Ratings' Ratings Definitions August 10, 2020

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Ratings List

Ratings Affirmed; Outlook Action

	То	From
Societe Generale (Taipei Branch)		
Issuer Credit Rating	twAA+/Stable/twA-1+	twAA+/Negative/twA-1+

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