

**Regulatory
Developments****Green Financial Bonds introduced in the Interbank Bond Market**

Recently, the People's Bank of China (PBC) issued public announcement [2015] No.39 about launching green financial bonds in the interbank bond market. Green financial bonds are the securities promised by the issuer to repay the capital and interests in some fixed date issued by legal persons of financial institutions in the interbank bond market according to law, with the proceeds to support green industry projects.

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PBC Released Financial Market Performance in November

January through November, bond market issuance totaled 19.9 trillion yuan, up 81.6% year on year. Among this total, issuance volume on the interbank bond market posted 18.8 trillion yuan, up 65.6 percent year on year. In November, bond issuance totaled 2.7 trillion yuan, up 170.1 percent year on year and 28 percent month on month respectively. A total of RMB 2.5 trillion worth of various bonds were issued in the interbank bond market, up 167.8% year on year, and 24.3% month on month.

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Central Bank: Introduce More Qualified Foreign Entities, and Extend Foreign Exchange Trading Hours

People's Bank of China (PBC) and State Administration of Foreign Exchange (SAFE) published a notice on December 23 to extend foreign exchange trading hours and introduce more qualified foreign entities in order to expedite the development of the foreign exchange market and promote the opening-up of the market. As of January 4, 2016, the daily operation of the interbank foreign exchange market trading system will be prolonged to 23:30 (Beijing Time), and the applicable time of market management systems, such as RMB central parity rate and floating range and quotation of market makers, will also be extended accordingly. The another measure is to introduce more qualified foreign entities. After applying to China Foreign Exchange Trade System (CFETS) to become members of the interbank foreign exchange market, qualified overseas banks involving in purchase and sale of Renminbi can enter the interbank foreign exchange market, and participate in all trade categories listed via the trading system of CFETS.

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