# **ESG** Assessment Certificate

Issue Number: KPFSO-2021-0024
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In accordance with KR's established policies and procedures, the assessment results on the ESG financial product below are as follows:

Issuer	Pan Ocean Co., Ltd.	ESG Assessment Grade
C E O	Kim Hong-Kuk, Ahn Joong-Ho	INGS COA
Financial product	21st Publicly Offered Bond (Green Bond)	Green Finance)  (Green Finance)
Issue Amount	21st: KRW 50.0 billion (₩ 50,000,000,000)	
Issue Date	25 June 2021	
Maturity Date	25 June 2024 (3 years)	
ESG Assessment D a t e	8 June 2021	

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Grade	Definition of ESG Assessment Grade	
G1	A high proportion of the proceeds are used for eligible project, process for project evaluation and selection, management of proceeds and reporting level are very strong.	
G2	A high proportion of the proceeds are used for eligible project, process for project evaluation and selection, management of proceeds and reporting level are strong.	
G3	A higher-than-moderate proportion of the proceeds are used for eligible project, process for project evaluation and selection, management of proceeds and reporting level are moderate.	
G4	A moderate proportion of the proceeds are used for eligible project, process for project evaluation and selection, management of proceeds and reporting level are insufficient.	
G5	A low proportion of the proceeds are used for eligible project, process for project evaluation and selection, management of proceeds and reporting level are poor.	

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# Pan Ocean Co., Ltd. **Green Bond**

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**ESG Assessment Result** 

Overview of Green Bond subject to Assessment			
Issuer	Pan Ocean Co., Ltd.		
Financial product	21st Publicly Offered Bond (Green Bond)		
Issue amount	KRW 50.0 billion		
Issue date	25 June 2021		
Maturity date	25 June 2024 (3 years)		

#### **ESG Assessment Rationale**

Korea Ratings Corporation (KR) has assessed that the ESG finance framework of Pan Ocean Co., Ltd.(the Company) conforms to the Green Bond Principle (GBP) of International Capital Market Association (ICMA) and the Guideline on Green Bonds released by the Ministry of Environment of Korea.

The Company plans to invest the entire proceeds raised through the issuance of the 21st Publicly Offered Bond (Green Bond: the Bond) into eligible project(s) that is expected to bring positive environmental impact. KR has assessed that the Company's processes governing project evaluation and selection, management of proceeds, and reporting, etc. are outstanding. In this regard, KR has assigned the ESG assessment grade of 'G1' to the Bond based on KR's ESG assessment methodology. The grade reflects as follows.

Process	Details
Use of Proceeds	Under ESG finance framework, the project(s) for which the Bond proceeds will be used has been defined in accordance with the Guideline on Green Bonds released by the Ministry of Environment of Korea.  - The issuer plans to apply the Bond proceeds to invest in projects on introduction of environment-friendly marine fuel (LNG) carriers and installation of ballast water treatment system. KR assesses these projects as eligible projects which conform to the GBP of ICMA and the Guideline on Green Bonds released by Ministry of Environment of Korea.
Process for Project Evaluation and Selection	- KR assesses that the project evaluation and selection criteria of the issuer is reasonable and conforms to the GBP of ICMA and the Guideline on Green Bonds released by the Ministry of Environment of Korea. In addition, project selection process is adequate.
Management of Proceeds	<ul> <li>The issuer manages the Bond proceeds through existing main account. An ESG financial product management system will be separately developed within the ERP system to update on the use of proceeds as well as unallocated proceeds on a regular basis.</li> <li>The issuer plans to manage the unallocated proceeds utilizing stable financial product(s). KR views that the issuer's framework for management of proceeds conforms to the GBP of ICMA and the Guideline on Green Bonds released by the Ministry of Environment of Korea.</li> </ul>
Reporting	- The issuer plans to report annually the information on items which must be disclosed to the investors either on the issuer's homepage or on the SRI bond segment of Korea Exchange until the Bond proceeds are repaid. KR assesses that the issuer's reporting process conforms to the GBP of ICMA and the Guideline on Green Bonds released by Ministry of Environment of Korea.
Issuer's Level of ESG Integration	-The issuer's maritime environment team is in charge of planning environmental policies and responding to regulations, managing greenhouse gas inventory for eco-management scheme, introducing new technologies for reduction of greenhouse gas and energy consumption, and maintenance and control of environmental management system (ISO-14001), etc. The issuer plans to implement ESG management aggressively based on the company-wide ESG management framework that is to be established hereafter. Major ESG-related issues have not been identified until recently and the issuer demonstrates good level of ESG integration in general.