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Berlin Hyp's sustainability management receives positive rating once again – sustainability report 2016 published

Berlin Hyp has once again been positively rated by Sustainalytics, one of the leading providers of sustainability ratings. For the 2016 financial year, the bank was able to significantly improve the previous year's result to 76 of a possible 100 points. Sustainalytics also rated Berlin Hyp an "outperformer" for the first time, placing it in the top 9 % in its industry.

"The positive rating documents our enduring commitment," said Sascha Klaus, Chair of the Board of Management of Berlin Hyp. "Corporate conduct and social responsibility are inseparably linked in our mind."

Berlin Hyp published its sustainability report for 2016 yesterday. The bank published its materiality disclosures in accordance with the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI G4) standards on 12 March. The report focuses primarily on the bank's sustainability-related strategy, targets, areas of action and measures. Key measures planned for 2017 include further standardisation of credit processes and further optimisation of green building financing identification, further development of the bank's brand message – as well as energy savings and emissions reduction through increased use of renewable energy – and carbon offsetting of employee air travel for business purposes, for example.

The full sustainability report and the GRI materiality disclosures are available at www.berlinhyp.de/unternehmen/nachhaltigkeit/nachhaltigkeitsberichtegri-bilanzen.html

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Berlin Hyp specialises in large-volume real estate finance for professional investors and housing societies, for whom the Bank develops individual financing solutions. As an enterprise forming a Group together with the German savings banks, it also makes an extensive spectrum of products and services available to these institutions. Berlin Hyp's clear focus, almost 150 years of experience and its close proximity to the Savings Banks Finance Group characterise the Bank as a leading German real estate and Pfandbrief bank.

