Citi Leads Record-Breaking Ruble Eurobond for Rosselkhozbank

The largest ever ruble-denominated Eurobond was more than twice covered with strong demand from investors in Europe, Asia and Russia.

Citi was Joint Lead Arranger and Bookrunner of Rosselkhozbank's RUB30 billion three-year Eurobond, the largest ever ruble-denominated Eurobond. On the back of very strong investor demand the issue priced to yield 7.5% - the lowest coupon for a ruble-denominated bond since the market reopened after the credit crunch.

Nikita Gusakov, Head of Debt Capital Markets with Citi Russia, commented: "We congratulate our client Rosselkhozbank on the great success of this landmark ruble Eurobond issue. The issue was very well taken by investors from different regions allowing to reach a record-low cost. Around the world we see growing investors’ demand towards ruble assets and the success of this deal will greatly contribute to further development of Ruble Eurobond market".

Funds from the placement will be used by Rosselkhozbank to further expand financing of the agriculture sector and related industries – one of the key engines of growth and diversification of Russian economy.

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