

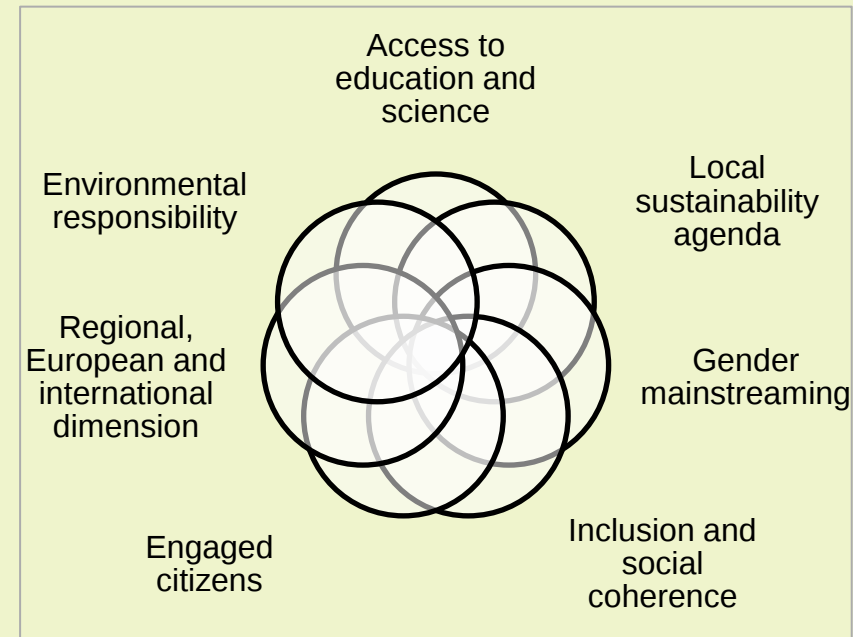
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Sustainability Strategy North Rhine-Westphalia

NRW Sustainability Strategy

- Sustainable Development is a central guiding principle for the State of NRW. Sustainable development means integrated environmental, social and economic development. The concept is closely related to the principles of prevention and inclusion.
- The NRW Sustainability Strategy, coordinated by the Ministry for Climate Protection, Environment, Agriculture, Nature Conservation and Consumer Protection, has been adopted in a preliminary version on 29 September 2015.
- The Strategy is meant to implement the new global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) on the state level. It serves as the political reference for the bond. The final strategy will be ratified later in 2016.



Key themes



Sustainable development: Fields of action and focal areas

- Climate protection and energy transition
- Sustainable business management
- Protection of natural resources: biodiversity, woodland, water, land/soil, air and environment & health
- Demographic change
- Social cohesion and participation
- Decent work – fair labor
- Integration
- Sustainable fiscal policy
- Sustainable development of urban areas and neighbourhoods
- Sustainable mobility
- Sustainable consumption / Sustainable lifestyles
- Land cultivation
- Health
- One-world policy and European and international dimension
- Gender equality
- Universal accessibility and inclusion
- Sustainability in the municipalities (local agenda)
- Civic commitment/participation
- Education and science

For further information, see draft [Sustainability Strategy NRW](#) (in German)

Sustainability Bond #2 NRW – Framework

- The NRW Sustainability Bond Framework serves as a structure for verifying the sustainability quality – i.e. the social and environmental added value – of the projects to be financed through the Sustainability Bond issuance.
- Based on key sustainability themes outlined in the NRW Sustainability Strategy, the framework defines eligible use-of-proceeds categories with both significant expenditures beyond legal obligations of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia and a very distinct social and/or environmental added value, reflecting NRW's sustainability strategy in a holistic, balanced and comprehensive way.
- For each of the categories, the framework further defines specific sustainability criteria by means of which this added value and therefore the sustainability performance of the sustainability bond can be clearly identified and verified.
- The sustainability criteria are complemented by indicators suggested by oekom research which enable quantitative measurement of the sustainability performance of the sustainability bond and can be used for future comprehensive reporting.

Sustainability Bond #2 NRW – Eligible assets

- An amount equivalent to the net issue proceeds of the State Treasury Notes will be used to cover expenditures of the fiscal year 2015, which closes on or about the end of the first quarter 2016.
- Projects were selected in accordance with the categories and specifications set out in the "Sustainability Bond Framework". Main criterion is a clear environmental and/or social benefit.
- The selected projects are part of the State's discretionary spending. Projects prescribed by federal law are excluded. All projects can be traced to the [NRW 2015 budget](#) (Haushaltsplan 2015).
- Only the State's own expenditures (net of EU grants, federal grants or other revenues earmarked for specific purposes) are taken into account. The State's personnel costs are excluded.
- Detailed information on the selected projects is available at www.sustainability-bond.nrw.de.



Sustainability Bond # 2 NRW

Project Category	Budget Results [EUR m]	Eligible for Bond [EUR m]
A Education and Sustainability Research	983.2	678.4
B Inclusion and Social Coherence	146.5	146.5
C Public Transport and Local Mobility	179.8	179.8
D Climate Protection and Energy Transition	49.4	49.4
E Protection of Natural Resources	66.5	61.7
F Sustainable Urban Development	62.4	62.4
G Modernization of educational and public health facilities	411.7	411.7
Total	1,899.5	1,589.9

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www.hochschule-ruhr-west.de/die-hrw/hrw-profil



Aktionsplan der Landesregierung. Eine Gesellschaft für alle.

See [Plan of campaign Inclusion](#) (in German)

Transportation infrastructure for cyclists and pedestrians



See [Plan of campaign Local Mobility](#) (in German)

The climate policy of North Rhine-Westphalia

Information on NRW's Climate Protection Act, Climate
Protection Starting Programme and Climate Protection Plan



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www.klimaschutz.nrw.de

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Für die Vielfalt in der Natur

Die Biodiversitätsstrategie des Landes
Nordrhein-Westfalen

See [Biodiversity Strategy NRW](#) (in German)

Phoenix Sea in Dortmund



A project co-sponsored by the program Urban Reconstruction in the West

www.phoenixdortmund.de (in German)

Asbestos removal at the University of Bielefeld



www.uni-bielefeld.de/bau (in German)

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