ASEAN+3 Sustainable Bonds Highlights

Sustainable bond markets in ASEAN+3 continued to expand to USD388.7 billion at the end of September.

Global Sustainable Bond Markets at the End of September 2021

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ADB = Association of Southeast Asian Nations, USD = United States dollar, y-o-y = year-on-year.

Notes:
1. Data for green, social, and sustainability bonds as of the end of September 2021 and include both local currency and foreign currency issues.
2. ASEAN includes the markets of Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Viet Nam.
3. Data are computations based on Bloomberg LP data.
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