

# The Green OAT

## *Impact reporting*

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France has issued a sovereign green bond, the “Green OAT”

- First issuance in January 2017; Outstanding amount: € 19bn.
- Compliant with Green Bonds Principles and CBI Framework.

France provides three reports to investors:

- an annual report on allocation

This report is providing information on the allocation of spending eligible to the Green OAT.

- an annual report on output indicators

This report provides information on the performance of spending related to the Green OAT, and is not focused only on environmental aspects as some expenditures may be addressing other objectives as well.

- a report on environmental impact, at an appropriate frequency.

This report is supervised by the **Green OAT Evaluation Council**

The Council is in charge of **evaluating the environmental impact** of green eligible expenditures.

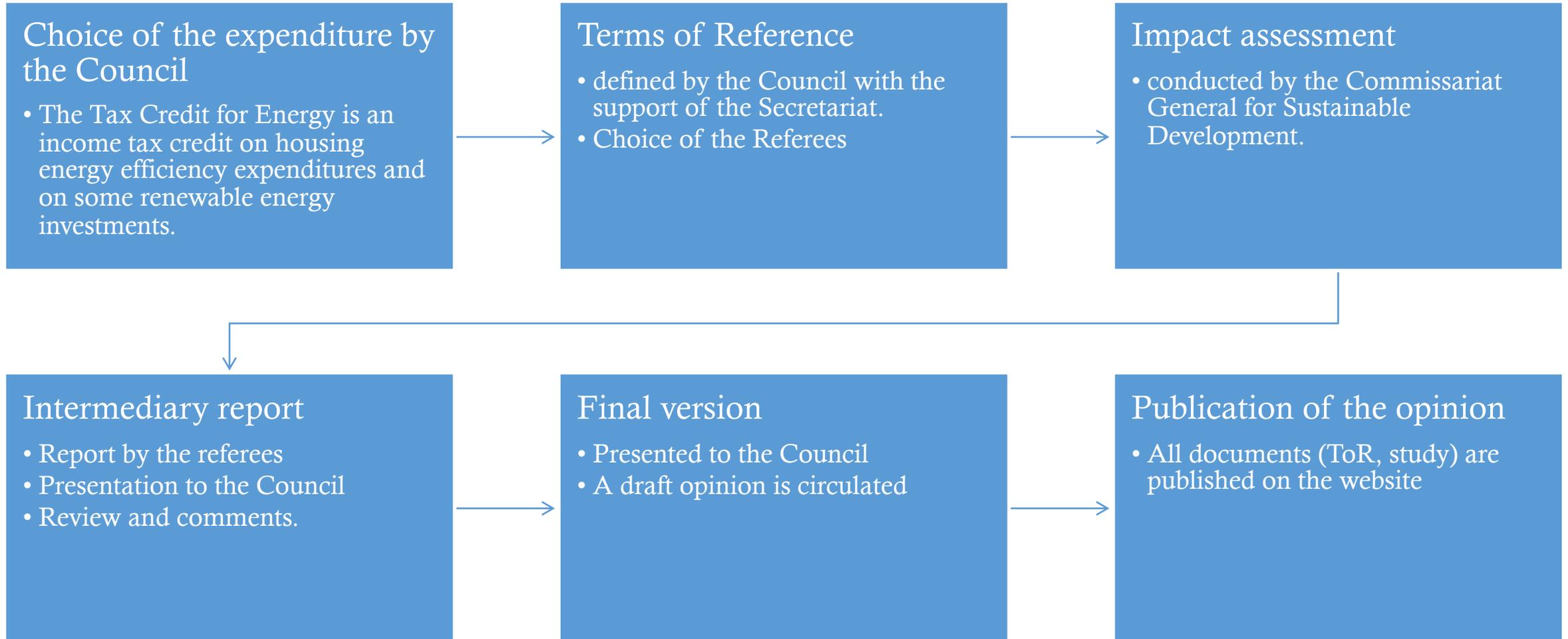
It is a commitment to **transparency and independence**:

- Its members are nine international experts of green finance and policy evaluation, including its chair, **Manuel Pulgar Vidal**, WWF Global Climate and Energy Practice Leader.
- Impact evaluation studies are reviewed by **independent referees**.
- The Council is constantly providing **feedback** and reviewing all documents, from the definition of terms of reference of the evaluation until its final release.
- Council's opinions are **public** and underline both **strengths and weaknesses** of evaluation studies.

The **first impact evaluation study** was released in November 2018. It covers a tax credit for energy renovation in buildings.

The **second impact evaluation study** will be released before the end of 2019 and will cover a public subsidy to waterway transport.

# Example: the Tax Credit for Energy Transition



# Impact evaluation of the Tax Credit for Energy Transition

The Tax Credit for Energy Transition (*Crédit d'impôt pour la transition énergétique – CITE*) is an income tax credit on housing energy efficiency expenditures and on some renewable energy investments.

The CITE represents one third of the green eligible expenditures funded by the proceeds from the initial issuance and the tap issues of the Green OAT in 2017 (3,2 billion euros).

Main findings of the impact evaluation study are:

- The CITE triggered around 75 000 additional renovations per year in 2015 and 2016.
- The CITE triggered an additional amount of 1.7 billion euros of energy efficiency investments per year in 2015 and 2016.
- The cumulative gain of CO2 emissions over 2015-2050 triggered by additional 2015 and 2016 investments corresponds to 7% of the 2015 level of CO2 emissions of the housing sector.



Merci de votre attention !

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Council members during the first meeting of the Green OAT Evaluation Council on 11 December 2017 in the presence of Brune Poirson, Minister of State attached to the Ministre d'État, Minister for Ecological and Inclusive Transition.

All reports are accessible to the public on the *Agence France Trésor* website: <https://www.aft.gouv.fr/index.php/en/green-oat>