

KBRA Affirms AAA / K1+ Ratings for the Federal Republic of Germany; Outlook Stable

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KBRA Europe (KBRA) affirms the Federal Republic of Germany's long term-issuer ratings of AAA. KBRA also affirms the short-term ratings of K1+. The Outlook on the long-term ratings is Stable.

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With Rated Entity or Related Third-Party Participation	Yes
With Access to Internal Documents	Νο
With Access to Management	Yes

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Methodologies

- Sovereigns: Sovereigns Rating Methodology
- ESG Global Rating Methodology

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