

Press release

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SEB among Nordic Top 5 companies in performing actions against climate change

SEB is one of the five companies in the Nordic countries which performs best against climate change, according to CDP, the Carbon Disclosure Project's annual reporting.

SEB achieves the A rating in CDP's new index CPLI measuring companies' actions reducing carbon dioxide emissions and climate change. SEB is also ranked number 12 in the index CDLI, covering 200 companies, regarding companies' measuring and reporting of carbon dioxide emissions. SEB is the only service company in the Top 20.

"We have high ambitions for our sustainability efforts. It is therefore gratifying that the CDP has recognised that our work is on track. However, there is much left to do. The process of integrating sustainability into our business is a job that really never ends," says Bo Magnusson, SEB's Executive Vice President and Chairman of the bank's Sustainability Committee.

To develop strategies to address climate change is one of the bank's business priorities and includes both SEB's direct and indirect impact on the environment. Since 2009, SEB has a target to reduce carbon dioxide emissions from its own operations by 45 per cent, compared to 2008, by 2015. SEB is also a climate compensated company under the Kyoto Protocol.

"Last year we have worked to identify sustainability risks and opportunities in our business. We put great focus on developing sector policies and group-wide position statements that will guide our business decisions in various sectors in the future," says Cecilia Widebäck West, Head of SEB Corporate Sustainability.

As part of SEB's efforts to raise awareness of sustainability and to improve knowledge of SEB's and others' activities, SEB also developed a web-based forum ([www.sebgroup.com/Sustainable Perspectives](http://www.sebgroup.com/SustainablePerspectives)). The Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP) is the world's largest survey of large companies' ambitions on climate change. For the past 10 years, CDP has reported on companies' greenhouse gas emissions and strategies to prevent climate change. Nearly 3,000 companies in 60 countries responded to this year's survey. At a meeting in Stockholm on Wednesday the Nordic Report, which includes the 200 largest listed companies in the Nordic countries, was presented.

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