

# **Greenhouse Gas Verification Statement Number** F530101/GUR/ENV/C000049

The inventory of Greenhouse Gas emissions in the period 1st January 2016 – 31st December 2016 for

# **VakifBank**

Turkiye Vakiflar Bankasi T.A.O Genel Mudurluk Sultan Selim Mahallesi Eski Buyukdere Caddesi No:59 34415 Kagithane / Istanbul

has been verified in accordance with ISO 14064-3:2006 as meeting the requirements of

ISO14064-1:2006

To represent a total amount of:

22,786 tCO2e

12,422 tCO2e **Direct Emissions:** Lnergy Indirect Emissions. 4,279 tOO2c Other Indirect Emissions: 6.085 tCO2e

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For the following activities: Banking operations involving headquarters, regional offices, branches and ATMs across Turkey

The organizational boundary was established following operational control approach and the operational boundary was established cover anthropogenic sources cause direct and indirect emissions.

Verification Statement Date: 16 June 2017

Authorised by

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Date: 16 June 2017

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This Statement is not valid without the full verification scope, objectives, criteria and findings available on pages 2 to 4 of this Statement.







# Schedule Accompanying Greenhouse Gas Verification Statement Number F530101/GUR/ENV/ C000049

**Brief Description of Verification Process** 

SGS has been contracted by VakifBank for the verification of direct and indirect carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) equivalent emissions as provided by VakifBank, Istanbul, Turkey; in their GHG Assertion in the form of a GHG Report and GHG inventory calculation sheet for the period 1st January 2016 – 31st December 2016 covering CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions.

Roles and responsibilities

The management of VakifBank, Istanbul, Turkey is responsible for the organization's GHG information system, the development and maintenance of records and reporting procedures in accordance with that system, including the calculation and determination of GHG emissions information and the reported GHG emissions.

It is SGS' responsibility to express an independent GHG verification opinion on the emissions as provided in the VakifBank, Istanbul, Turkey GHG inventory for the period 1st January 2016 – 31st December 2016.

SGS conducted a third party verification following the requirements ISO 14064-3: 2006 of the provided CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent assertion in May 2016.

The assessment included a site visit at VakifBank corporate office at Istanbul, Turkey on 25/05/2017.

The verification was conducted based on the verification scope, objectives and criteria as agreed between VakifBank, Istanbul, Turkey and SGS.

#### Level of Assurance

The level of assurance agreed is that of limited assurance

Scope

VakifBank, Istanbul, Turkey has commissioned an independent verification by SGS of reported CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions arising from their activities, to establish conformance with the requirements of "ISO 14064-1:2006(E) - Specification with guidance at the organization level for quantification and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions and removals" within the scope of the verification as outlined below. Data and information supporting the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent inventory were historical in nature and proven by evidence.

This engagement covers verification of emissions from anthropogenic sources of greenhouse gases included within the organization's boundary and meets the requirements of ISO14064-3: 2006.

## Title or description of activities:

- The organizational boundary was established following the operational control approach.
- Title or description of activities: Banking operations
- Location/boundary of the activities: Geographical boundary of Turkey.
- Physical infrastructure, activities, technologies and processes of the organization: Banking operations across national boundary of Turkey involving 23 regional offices and headquarter buildings, 922 branches and 3819 ATMs.



GHG emissions sources, sinks and/or reservoirs or credits included:

Direct Emissions: Emissions related to consumption of gasoline and diesel for company owned cars, diesel consumption of power generator and heating purpose, Consumption of fuel oil, natural gas and coal for heating purpose, fugitive emissions from R22 and R410A from air conditioners;

Energy Indirect Emissions: Emissions related to purchased electricity;

Other Indirect Emissions: Emissions related to fuel combustion for employee transportation, business air travel, use of consumables like A4 size paper, tap water, bottled drinking water, disposal of waste oil (from canteen) and waste paper, courier/post services used.

- Types of GHGs included: CO2, CH4, N2O
- Directed actions: None
- GHG information for the following period was verified: 1st January 2016 31st December 2016
- Intended user of the verification statement: internal and external shareholders, public disclosure.

## Objective

The purposes of this verification exercise are, by review of objective evidence, to independently review:

- Whether the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions are as declared by the organization's CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent inventory
- That the data reported are accurate, complete, consistent, transparent and free of material error or omission.

## Criteria

Criteria against which the verification assessment is undertaken are the requirements of ISO14064-3:2006.

## Materiality

The materiality required of the verification was considered by SGS to be below 10%, based on the needs of the intended user of the GHG inventory.

# Conclusion

VakifBank, Istanbul, Turkey provided the GHG emissions data based on the requirements of ISO 14064-1:2006. The GHG information for the period 1st January 2016 – 31st December 2016 disclosing gross emissions of 22,786 metric tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent are verified by SGS to a limited level of assurance, consistent with the agreed verification scope, objectives and criteria.

SGS' approach is risk-based, drawing on an understanding of the risks associated with modeling GHG emission information and the controls in place to mitigate these risks. Our examination included assessment, on a sample basis, of evidence relevant to the voluntary reporting of emission information.

SGS concludes with limited assurance that the presented CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent inventory is materially correct and is a fair representation of the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent data and information, and is prepared following the requirements of ISO 14064-3:2006.

We planned and performed our work to obtain the information, explanations and



evidence that we considered necessary to provide a limited level of assurance that the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions for the period 1st January 2016 – 31st December 2016 are fairly stated.

This statement shall be interpreted with the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent presented in the GHG Assertion in the form of a GHG Report and GHG inventory calculation sheet for the period  $1^{\rm st}$  January  $2016-31^{\rm st}$  December 2016 covering CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions.

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