

Gróska Green Finance Report 2022

Gróska property is in total 25.000 m². Gróska is a business growth center focused on enabling a creative community that connects start-ups, academic research, and established companies. Gróska focuses on collaborative innovation, through associations with the universities, in an exciting environment that supports sustainable business within its walls.

As an innovation and research focused commercial building, sustainability is a key driver to create a healthy, collaborative, and driven workplace.



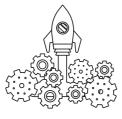


Environment

Gróska supports environmental sustainability through the building's environmental management, including energy efficiency, waste, and water management. Key actions include provision of water efficient equipment and reuse and recycling facilities, as well as the use of renewable energy to power the companies' operations within the centre. In addition, Gróska aims to make sure that the necessary climate change adaptation measures have been taken. Therefore, Gróska is currently working to obtain a BREEAM In-Use Certification to ensure adherence to these environmental standards. Gróska also supports sustainable lifestyles by being in close proximity to public transport, providing EV charging stations, and shower and changing room facilities. In the year 2022 Gróska was partially under constructions in 2022. Therefore, the building in full use has not yet been published with comparative figures.

Social

Gróska is committed to maximising the health and wellbeing of its own employees' and the employees working for the companies housed within the building. At Gróska, there is great emphasis placed on collaboration and innovation by creating a co-working space for both academic and business communities. Gróska has already hosted many events that support Icelandic and global innovation.



Number of start ups 85



Number of employees in building 1040



Number of visitors Still in progress

Governance

Gróska believes it is important that there is strong and good sustainability governance in place. The sustainability policy is, therefore, reviewed regularly and improved according to new developments.

SDGs

Gróska believes it is important to support the UN Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs) and align its sustainability policy accordingly. We have chosen to focus on the four UN SDGs that Gróska's operations have the most impact on: quality education, sustainable cities and communities, responsible consumption, and climate action. The net proceeds from the debt instrument issuance under Gróska's Green Finance Framework (GFF) will be allocated to fund projects that align with this sustainability policy, and to support an innovative and sustainable solution to the companies housed within Gróska.



Green Finance Allocation Reporting

As of 31st December 2022.

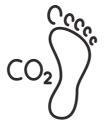
In 2022, Gróska was still partly under construction and still taking new spaces for use. This report discloses the 2022 allocation and impact for Gróska ehf.

Outstanding Green Financing Instruments:

GROSKA 29GB ISK 4.1 bn



Energy usage (kwh/m²) 80.9



Carbon footprint (kg/m²) 1.9



Water usage (m³/m²) 7.1





Limited assurance report of the independent auditor

To: The Board of Directors of Gróska ehf. Bjargargötu 1, 102 Reykjavík, Iceland

Limited assurance report on the Green Finance Report of Gróska ehf. for the year 2022

Our conclusion

We have examined the Green Finance Report of Gróska ehf. (TIN 680515-1580) for the year ended 31 December 2022. Based on the procedures performed and evidence obtained, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the selected information disclosed in the Company's Green Finance Report, is not prepared in all material respects, in accordance with the reporting criteria.

What we have examined

The scope of our assurance engagement was limited to providing assurance of "whether the Green Asset Pool exceeds the total amount of outstanding Green Financing Instruments" as described on page 3 of the Company's Green Finance Report ("the selected information"). The reporting criteria against which this information was assessed are relevant parts of the Company's Green Financing Framework, available on the Company's website.

Our assurance does not extend to any other information on the Company's Green Finance Report.

The basis for our conclusion

We conducted our examination in accordance with International Standard on Assurance engagements, ISAE 3000 (revised), on assurance engagements other than audits or reviews of historical financial information. This engagement is aimed to provide limited assurance. Our responsibilities under this standard are further described in the section 'Our responsibilities for the examination' of our report.

We believe that the assurance information we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our conclusion.

Independence and quality control

We are independent of the Gróska ehf.in accordance with the Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants and other relevant independence requirements in Iceland.

We apply the International Standard on Quality Control, ISQC 1 and accordingly maintain a comprehensive system of quality control including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards, and other applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

Restriction in use and distribution

Our report is addressed to and intended for the exclusive use by the Board of Directors of Gróska ehf., to report on the Company's Green Finance Allocation as of 31 December 2022. The assurance report, or any part of it, may not be made available in any form to third parties without our prior written consent. We do not accept or assume and deny any liability, duty of care or responsibility to any parties other than the address of this assurance report.

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Responsibilities for the Green Finance Report and the examination thereof

Responsibilities of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the Company is responsible for the preparation of the Green Finance Report in accordance with the Green Financing Framework, including the identification of the intended users and the criteria being applicable for the purpose of these users.

Furthermore, the Board of Directors is responsible for such internal control as it determines is necessary to enable the evaluation of Green Finance Report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Our responsibilities for the examination

Our responsibility is to plan and perform our examination in a manner that allows us to obtain sufficient and appropriate evidence to provide a basis for our conclusion.

Our conclusion aims to provide limited assurance. The procedures performed in this context consisted primarily of making inquiries with officers of the entity and determining the plausibility of the information included in the Green Finance Report. The level of assurance obtained in a limited assurance engagement is substantially lower than the assurance that would have been obtained had a reasonable assurance engagement been performed.

Misstatements may arise due to fraud or error. They are considered to be material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the decisions of users taken on the basis of the Green Finance Report. Materiality affects the nature, timing and extent of our assurance procedures and the evaluation of the effect of identified misstatements on our conclusion.

Procedures performed

We have exercised professional judgement and have maintained professional skepticism throughout the examination in accordance with the ISAE 3000 (revised), ethical requirements and independence requirements.

Our examination consisted of comparing the Green Asset Pool to the outstanding Green Financing Instruments as described on page 3 of the Company's Green Finance Report.

Reykjavík, 26 October 2023

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Vignir Rafn Gíslason,

State Authorized Public Accountant