

Temasek's Drawdown Under Its US\$25 Billion Guaranteed Global Medium-Term Note Program Rated 'AAA'

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SINGAPORE (S&P Global Ratings) Aug. 21, 2024--S&P Global Ratings today assigned its 'AAA' long-term issue rating to a drawdown by Temasek Financial (I) Ltd. under its US\$25 billion guaranteed global medium-term note program. Temasek Holdings (Private) Ltd. (Temasek; AAA/Stable/A-1+) fully, irrevocably, and unconditionally guarantees the proposed notes.

The proposed offshore Chinese renminbi-denominated notes of 10 years and 30 years will mature in 2034 and 2054, respectively. Temasek intends to use the net issuance proceeds to fund its ordinary course of business.

We rate the proposed senior notes the same as our long-term issuer credit rating on Temasek because we do not view the company's capital structure as having any material subordination risks.

The rating on Temasek reflects the company's large, well-diversified, and high-quality portfolio assets; above-average investment capabilities, and minimal leverage. In addition, we see an extremely high likelihood of extraordinary support from the government of Singapore, if needed. Temasek's proportion of unlisted assets has risen over the years, but its asset liquidity risk is tempered by its unique credit characteristics.

As of March 31, 2024, Temasek's net portfolio amounted to Singapore dollar (S\$) 389 billion, with about 48% of liquid and listed assets. The company also had cash and cash equivalents, and short-term investments of S\$61.8 billion, as well as gross debt of S\$20.9 billion.

The stable outlook on Temasek reflects our opinion that the company's close relationship with, and therefore the likelihood of extraordinary and timely support from, the Singapore government will remain intact. Our stable outlook also reflects the stable outlook on our sovereign ratings on Singapore. In addition, we expect Temasek's portfolio to retain investment grade credit quality and stay highly diversified even as the company continually expands its portfolio.

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