

### Otra Información Relevante de GAT ICO-FTVPO 1, Fondo de Titulización Hipotecaria

En virtud de lo establecido en el Folleto Informativo de **GAT ICO-FTVPO 1, Fondo de Titulización Hipotecaria** (el "**Fondo**") se comunica a la COMISIÓN NACIONAL DEL MERCADO DE VALORES la presente información relevante:

- La Agencia de Calificación **Fitch Ratings** ("**Fitch**"), con fecha 29 de septiembre de 2021, comunica que ha afirmado las calificaciones asignadas a las siguientes Series de Bonos emitidos por el Fondo:
  - Serie AG: AAAsf, perspectiva estable
  - Serie B (CA): AAAsf, perspectiva estable
  - Serie B (CM): AAAsf, perspectiva estable
  - Serie B (CP): AAAsf, perspectiva estable
  - Serie B (CT): AAAsf, perspectiva estable
  - Serie C (CA): Asf, perspectiva estable
  - Serie C (CM): Asf, perspectiva estable
  - Serie C (CP): Asf, perspectiva estable
  - Serie C (CT): Asf, perspectiva estable

Se adjunta la comunicación emitida por Fitch.

Madrid, 4 de noviembre de 2021.



## **Fitch Upgrades 10 Tranches of Madrid RMBS**

Fitch Ratings - Madrid - 29 Sep 2021: Fitch Ratings has upgraded 10 tranches of three Spanish Madrid RMBS transactions and affirmed the others. Fitch has also affirmed all tranches of GAT ICO RMBS transaction. Fitch has removed five Madrid RMBS tranches from Rating Watch Positive (RWP). All Outlooks are Stable. A full list of rating actions is below.

## **Rating Actions**

ENTITY/DEBT	RATING			RECOVERY	PRIOR
Madrid RMBS II, FTA					
• Class A2 ES03590	LT 092014	A+sf <b>□</b>	Upgrade		A-sf ◆
• Class A3 ES03590	LT 092022	A+sf <b>©</b>	Upgrade		A-sf ◆
• Class B ES03590	LT 092030	Asf <b>©</b>	Upgrade		BBBsf <b>♦</b>
• Class C ES03590	LT 092048	BBsf <b>©</b>	Upgrade		BB-sf ●

ENTITY/DEBT	RATING			RECOVERY	PRIOR
• Class D L <sup>-</sup> ES0359092		B-sf <b>©</b>	Affirmed		B-sf <b>©</b>
• Class E L <sup>-</sup> ES0359092		CCsf	Affirmed		CCsf
Madrid RMBS III, FTA					
• Class A2 L <sup>-</sup> ES0359093		A+sf <b>●</b>	Upgrade		A-sf ♦
• Class A3 L <sup>-</sup> ES0359093		A+sf <b>©</b>	Upgrade		A-sf ◆
• Class B L <sup>-</sup> ES0359093		BB+sf <b>©</b>	Affirmed		BB+sf •
• Class C L <sup>-</sup> ES0359093		BB-sf •	Upgrade		Bsf <b>●</b>
• Class D	Г	CCsf	Affirmed		CCsf

ENTITY/DEBT RATING			RECOVERY	PRIOR
ES0359093053				
• Class E LT ES0359093061	Csf	Affirmed		Csf
Madrid RMBS I, FTA				
• Class A2 LT ES0359091016	A+sf <b>Φ</b>	Upgrade		A-sf <b>O</b>
• Class B LT ES0359091024	A-sf <b>O</b>	Upgrade		BBBsf <b>●</b>
• Class C LT ES0359091032	BB-sf <b>©</b>	Upgrade		B+sf <b>©</b>
• Class D LT ES0359091040	CCCsf	Affirmed		CCCsf
• Class E LT ES0359091057	CCsf	Affirmed		CCsf

		RECOVERY	PRIOR
AAAsf •	Affirmed		AAAsf <b>©</b>
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ENTITY/DEBT	RATING			RECOVERY	PRIOR
• C (CP) ES03410	LT 068072	Asf <b>O</b>	Affirmed		Asf •
• C (CT) ES03410	LT 068080	Asf <b>O</b>	Affirmed		Asf •

#### RATINGS KEY OUTLOOK WATCH

## **Transaction Summary**

The transactions comprise fully amortising residential mortgages serviced by Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria, S.A. (BBB+/Stable/F2) and Banco de Sabadell, S.A. (BBB-/Stable/F3) for GAT ICO and serviced by Caixabank, S.A. (BBB+/Stable/F2) for Madrid 1, 2 and 3. For GAT ICO, the transaction is linked to subsidised mortgages granted to low-income borrowers fulfilling stated eligibility criteria.

#### **KEY RATING DRIVERS**

**Stable Performance, Removal of Additional Stresses:** The rating actions reflect the broadly stable asset performance outlook driven by the low share of loans in payment holiday schemes, the low share of loans in arrears over 90 days and the improved macro-economic outlook for Spain as described in Fitch's latest Global Economic Outlook dated September 2021. The upgrades of Madrid 1's class A2, B and C notes are not attributable to the retirement of the Coronavirus Additional Stress Scenario.

The upgrades of Madrid 2 and 3's notes are supported by the retirement of the additional stresses in relation to the coronavirus outbreak and legal developments in Catalonia as announced on 22 July 2021 (see "Fitch Retires EMEA RMBS Coronavirus Additional Stress Scenario Analysis, Except UK Non-Conforming", "Fitch Retires Additional Stress Scenario Analysis for Spanish RMBS Linked to Catalonia Decree Law", and "Fitch Places or Maintains 121 EMEA RMBS Ratings on RWP on Additional Stress Scenario Retirement" at www.fitchratings.com).

Counterparty Risks Cap Some Ratings: GAT ICO's class C notes' rating is capped at 'Asf', equivalent to

the SPV account bank provider's deposit rating (Societe Generale, A/Stable/F1). The rating cap reflects the excessive counterparty dependency on the SPV account bank holding the cash reserve, as the sudden loss of these funds could imply a downgrade of 10 or more notches of the notes in accordance with Fitch's criteria.

For Madrid 1, 2 and 3, the notes are capped at 'A+sf' because the reserve funds are not expected to provide long-term coverage of payment interruption risk and could be depleted by losses. The reserve for Madrid 3 is currently fully depleted.

Fitch views the risk of not making timely payments to noteholders following a disruption of collection processes as sufficiently mitigated up to 'A+sf', despite the absence of dedicated liquidity facilities and the cash reserves having been depleted by losses. This is in line with Fitch's Structured Finance and Covered Bonds Counterparty Rating Criteria for notes rated up to 'A+sf', as the collection account bank and servicer rating (Caixabank) is at least 'BB-sf' and within a five-notch distance to the highest note ratings and the transfer of collected funds is made to the SPV bank account within two business days. Additionally, the depleted cash reserves have led to a switch to sequential amortisation, which Fitch does not expect to be reversed.

**Interest Deferral Risk:** Interest are currently being deferred for all classes of notes except class A for Madrid 3. This follows the breach of a gross cumulative default trigger. Where notes defer (or are expected to defer) interest for prolonged periods, the rating is capped at 'BB+sf'. This constrains Madrid 3's class B notes' rating. Madrid 1 and 2 might also be exposed to this risk but deferrals are not expected for these transactions.

**Geographical Concentration:** The Madrid 1, 2 and 3 portfolios are highly exposed to the region of Madrid. For GAT ICO, the portfolio is highly exposed to the regions of Catalonia and Extremadura. To address regional concentration risk, Fitch has applied higher rating multiples to the base foreclosure frequency (FF) assumption to the portion of the portfolios that exceeds 2.5x the population within these regions, in line with Fitch's European RMBS Rating Criteria.

**Low Take-up on Payment Holidays:** For Madrid 1, 2 and 3, Fitch does not expect the Covid-19 emergency support measures introduced by the Spanish government and banks for vulnerable borrowers to negatively affect the SPVs' liquidity. This is due to low take-ups of payment holidays of the current portfolio balances as of September 2021. Additionally, high portfolio seasoning of about 15 years, and the predominant share of floating-rate loans benefiting from the current low interest rates are strong mitigating factors against macroeconomic uncertainty.

**ESG Score:** Madrid 1, Madrid 2 and Madrid 3 have an ESG Relevance Score of '5' for "Transaction and Collateral Structure" due to the ratings being capped at 'A+sf' as payment interruption risk is not sufficiently mitigated. This is because the reserve funds are well below target (so there is a risk of liquidity shortfall in case of servicer default), which has a negative impact on the credit profile, and is relevant to the ratings in conjunction with other factors.

#### **RATING SENSITIVITIES**

# Factors that could, individually or collectively, lead to negative rating action/downgrade:

Long-term asset performance deterioration such as increased delinquencies or larger defaults, which could be driven by changes to macroeconomic conditions, interest rate increases or borrower behaviour.

For GAT ICO's class A and B notes, a downgrade of Spain's Long-Term Issuer Default Rating (IDR) that could decrease the maximum achievable rating for Spanish structured finance transactions. This is because these notes are capped at the 'AAAsf' maximum achievable rating in Spain, six notches above the sovereign IDR.

For GAT ICO's class C notes, a downgrade of the SPV account bank's long-term deposit rating could trigger a corresponding change to the notes' rating. This is because the notes' rating is capped at the bank's rating, given the excessive counterparty risk exposure.

For Madrid 1, 2 and 3, a downgrade of the collection account bank and servicer below 'BB-', more than five notches between the collection account bank and servicer rating and the highest notes' ratings and transfer of collected funds to the SPV bank account not being made within two business days.

## Factors that could, individually or collectively, lead to positive rating action/upgrade:

CE ratios increase as the transactions deleverage, able to fully compensate the credit losses and cash flow stresses commensurate with higher rating scenarios, all else being equal.

For GAT ICO's class C notes, an upgrade of the SPV account bank's long-term deposit rating could trigger a corresponding change to the notes' rating. This is because the notes rating is capped at the bank's rating given the excessive counterparty risk exposure.

For Madrid 1, 2 and 3 improved liquidity protection against a servicer disruption event. This is because the ratings are capped at 'A+sf', driven by unmitigated payment interruption risk.

## **Best/Worst Case Rating Scenario**

International scale credit ratings of Structured Finance transactions have a best-case rating upgrade scenario (defined as the 99th percentile of rating transitions, measured in a positive direction) of seven notches over a three-year rating horizon; and a worst-case rating downgrade scenario (defined as the 99th percentile of rating transitions, measured in a negative direction) of seven notches over three years. The complete span of best- and worst-case scenario credit ratings for all rating categories ranges from 'AAAsf' to 'Dsf'. Best- and worst-case scenario credit ratings are based on historical performance. For more information about the methodology used to determine sector-specific best- and worst-case scenario credit ratings, visit https://www.fitchratings.com/site/re/10111579.

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Form ABS Due Diligence-15E was not provided to, or reviewed by, Fitch in relation to this rating action.

## **DATA ADEQUACY**

GAT ICO-FTVPO 1, FTH, Madrid RMBS I, FTA, Madrid RMBS II, FTA, Madrid RMBS III, FTA

Fitch has checked the consistency and plausibility of the information it has received about the performance of the asset pool[s] and the transaction[s]. Fitch has not reviewed the results of any third party assessment of the asset portfolio information or conducted a review of origination files as part of its ongoing monitoring.

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Overall, and together with any assumptions referred to above, Fitch's assessment of the information relied upon for the agency's rating analysis according to its applicable rating methodologies indicates that it is adequately reliable.

## REFERENCES FOR SUBSTANTIALLY MATERIAL SOURCE CITED AS KEY DRIVER OF RATING

The principal sources of information used in the analysis are described in the Applicable Criteria.

#### PUBLIC RATINGS WITH CREDIT LINKAGE TO OTHER RATINGS

GAT ICO, class C notes are capped at the level of the SPV account bank deposit rating due to Excessive Counterparty Exposure.

#### **ESG Considerations**

Madrid RMBS I, FTA has an ESG Relevance Score of '5' for Transaction & Collateral Structure due to {DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE/RATIONALE}, which has a negative impact on the credit profile, and is highly relevant to the rating, resulting in {an implicitly lower/higher rating or outlook/watch or cite specific change(s) to the rating/outlook/watch: stable from positive, stable from negative, one notch downgrade, etc.}.

Madrid RMBS II, FTA has an ESG Relevance Score of '5' for Transaction & Collateral Structure due to {DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE/RATIONALE}, which has a negative impact on the credit profile, and is highly relevant to the rating, resulting in {an implicitly lower/higher rating or outlook/watch or cite specific change(s) to the rating/outlook/watch: stable from positive, stable from negative, one notch downgrade, etc.}.

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## **Applicable Criteria**

European RMBS Rating Criteria (pub.15 Sep 2021) (including rating assumption sensitivity)

Global Structured Finance Rating Criteria (pub.24 Mar 2021) (including rating assumption sensitivity)

Structured Finance and Covered Bonds Counterparty Rating Criteria (pub.29 Jan 2020)

Structured Finance and Covered Bonds Counterparty Rating Criteria: Derivative Addendum (pub.29 Jan 2020)

Structured Finance and Covered Bonds Country Risk Rating Criteria (pub.23 Sep 2020)

Structured Finance and Covered Bonds Interest Rate Stresses Rating Criteria (pub.20 Sep 2021)

## **Applicable Models**

Numbers in parentheses accompanying applicable model(s) contain hyperlinks to criteria providing description of model(s).

Multi-Asset Cash Flow Model, v2.11.0 (1)

#### **Additional Disclosures**

**Solicitation Status** 

#### **Endorsement Status**

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