

**Approved Countries for Investments**

This list is based on those countries which have sovereign ratings of AA- or higher (the lowest rating from Fitch, Moody's and S&P is used) and also, (except - at the time of writing - for Hong Kong, Norway and Luxembourg), have banks operating in sterling markets which have credit ratings of green or above in the Link Asset Services credit worthiness service.

AAA

- Australia
- Canada
- Denmark
- Germany
- Netherlands
- Singapore
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- U.S.A.

AA+

- Finland

AA

- France
- U.K.

AA-

- Belgium

Abu Dhabi (UAE) are AA rated and Qatar is AA- rated and meet the above criteria but are excluded from the Council's lending list

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