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Sofina successfully completes placement of EUR 600 million senior unsecured bonds

Transaction complements the recent rights offering, further boosting the strategic scale-up of Sofina's investment platform

- Strong investor demand across Europe, with high-quality participation from institutional investors
- Contributes to growth and scale-up strategy, following successful c. EUR 545 million Rights Offering completed in October 2025
- Bonds rated A- by S&P, consistent with Sofina's long-term issuer investment grade rating from S&P ("A-"; outlook stable)
- Strengthens Sofina's financial flexibility, in keeping with a conservative target Loanto-Value Ratio of 5-10%

Brussels, 5 November 2025, 5.40pm CET – Sofina SA ("<u>Sofina</u>" or the "<u>Company</u>"), a leading global investment company listed on the regulated market of Euronext in Brussels ("<u>Euronext Brussels</u>"), announces today the successful placement of its EUR 600 million senior unsecured bonds (the "<u>Bonds</u>") maturing in 2033. Following the Company's rights issue completed on October 7, 2025, this Bond issuance marks another step in Sofina's strategy to scale up its investment platform.

The Bonds carry a fixed annual coupon of 3.707% and have been subscribed by a diversified base of high-quality institutional investors across Europe, reflecting strong confidence in Sofina's credit quality and long-term investment strategy. The Bonds have been rated "A-" by S&P Global Ratings Europe Limited ("S&P") in line with Sofina's long-term issuer investment grade rating from S&P ("A-"; outlook stable). The Bonds will be issued on 13 November 2025 and will be listed on Euronext Growth Brussels.

Harold Boël, Chief Executive Officer of Sofina, said:

"This transaction represents another important milestone in Sofina's scale-up strategy and financing roadmap, following our rights offering last month. By broadening our sources of funding and reinforcing our financial flexibility, this transaction will allow us to increase our investment pace, consider larger tickets, and meet the demand for longer-term investment horizons. The strong reception from high-quality investors is a testament to our long-term approach and the confidence in Sofina's purpose-driven investment model. As we continue to scale, we remain focused on supporting entrepreneurs who create sustainable value across generations."

This transaction will optimize Sofina's overall cost of capital, enhance its financial flexibility to capture attractive opportunities across market cycles, while maintaining a conservative leverage profile with a target LTV ratio in the

5% to 10% range. This transaction supports Sofina's ambition to scale its diversified investment platform and continue investing across its sectors of focus, including Consumer and retail, Digital transformation, Education, Healthcare and life sciences, as well as Sustainable supply chains

BNP PARIBAS and Morgan Stanley & Co. International plc acted as Joint Global Coordinators and Belfius Bank SA/NV, Crédit Industriel et Commercial S.A., ING Bank N.V., KBC Bank NV and Société Générale acted as Joint Lead Managers on this transaction.

Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP acted as legal advisor to the Company. Clifford Chance LLP acted as legal advisor to the Joint Global Coordinators and the Joint Lead Managers.

Company profile

Sofina is a Belgian investment company, listed on Euronext Brussels. Sofina's mission is to partner with leading entrepreneurs and families, backing them with patient capital and supportive advice to foster sustainable growth of their businesses. Relationships and alignment are at the heart of what we do. Sofina has investments in Europe, Asia and the United States in various sectors, with a particular focus on consumer and retail, digital transformation, education, healthcare and life sciences as well as sustainable supply chains. For more information, please visit www.sofinagroup.com.

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and Markets Act") and any rules or regulations made under the Financial Services and Markets Act to implement Insurance Distribution Directive, where that customer would not qualify as a professional client as defined in point (8) of Article 2(1) of Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 as it forms part of UK domestic law by virtue of the EUWA. Consequently, no key information document required by Regulation (EU) No 1286/2014 as it forms part of UK domestic law by virtue of the EUWA (the "UK PRIIPs Regulation") for offering or selling the Bonds or otherwise making them available to retail investors in the UK has been prepared and therefore offering or selling the Bonds or otherwise making them available to any retail investor in the UK may be unlawful under the UK PRIIPs Regulation.

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UK MIFIR PRODUCT GOVERNANCE / PROFESSIONAL INVESTORS AND ECPS ONLY TARGET MARKET – Solely for the purposes of each manufacturer's product approval process, the target market assessment in respect of the Bonds has led to the conclusion that: (i) the target market for the Bonds is only eligible counterparties, as defined in the FCA Handbook Conduct of Business Sourcebook ("COBS"), and professional clients, as defined in Regulation (EU) No 600/2014, as it forms part of domestic law by virtue of the EUWA ("UK MIFIR") and (ii) all channels for distribution of the Bonds to eligible counterparties and professional clients are appropriate. Any person subsequently offering, selling or recommending the Bonds (a "distributor") should take into consideration the manufacturers' target market assessment. However, a distributor subject to the FCA Handbook Product Intervention and Product Governance Sourcebook (the "UK MIFIR Product Governance Rules") is responsible for undertaking its own target market assessment in respect of the Bonds (by either adopting or refining the manufacturers' target market assessment) and determining appropriate distribution channels.

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