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Spar Nord upgrades its financial guidance

Spar Nord upgrades its full-year guidance for core earnings before impairment to DKK 2,600-3,000 million and for profit after tax to DKK 1,950-2,250 million.

In its 2023 Annual Report, Spar Nord guided for full-year 2024 core earnings before impairment of DKK 2,400-2,900 million and profit after tax in the DKK 1,700-2,100 million range.

Primarily on the back of higher net interest income, including higher market rates than expected going into 2024, Spar Nord upgrades its full-year guidance for core earnings before impairment to DKK 2,600-3,000 million.

The full-year forecast for core earnings before impairment still includes two additional rate cuts by Danmarks Nationalbank, the Danish central bank, of combined 0.50 of a percentage point during the second half of 2024.

Finally, persistently strong credit quality for the bank's retail and business customers continues to result in very limited impairment charges and, as a result, the Bank now expects impairment charges for the full year at a level of around 0.10% of loans, advances and guarantees.

On the basis of the upgraded core earnings combined with lower impairment expectations, the Bank is upgrading its guidance for profit after tax DKK to DKK 1,950-2,250 million.

Spar Nord's financial report for H1 2024 will be released as scheduled on 15 August 2024.

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