

# Towards a more sustainable world





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# ESG strategy | Our approach

### What makes us different

#### **Financial Inclusion**

Awarded Best Bank for Financial Inclusion in 2023 by Euromoney

#### Decarbonization

Net-zero decarbonization targets as founding members of the NZBA



#### **Green Finance**

#1 worldwide Bank in the financing Renewable Energy<sup>1</sup>

#### Governance

Best practices and robust board composition



1. Renewable energy finance ranking based on the league tables provided by Infralogic as of January 2023 for the last 10 years as of FY2022.

# ESG strategy | Our approach



As a responsible bank we place sustainability at the centre of our core activities to deliver on our purpose of helping people & business prosper



#### **Our vision**

is to play a major role in the transition to a low carbon economy, supporting inclusive & sustainable growth and taking into account social and environmental risks & opportunities

#### **Our strategy**

focuses on delivering our Net zero ambition by 2050, while we continue helping customers transition to a low carbon economy, develop best in class sustainable propositions, and do things in a simple, personal and fair way



#### **Our actions**

materialize the Group's ESG strategy, as we continue progressing and delivering on our responsible banking commitments, to help tackle global challenges



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Net-Zero Banking Alliance

Best bank for Financial Inclusion 2022

Founding

Member 2021



Principles for Responsible Banking, Founding Member 2019



Signing member 2009



Good Corporate Governance Certificate 2021

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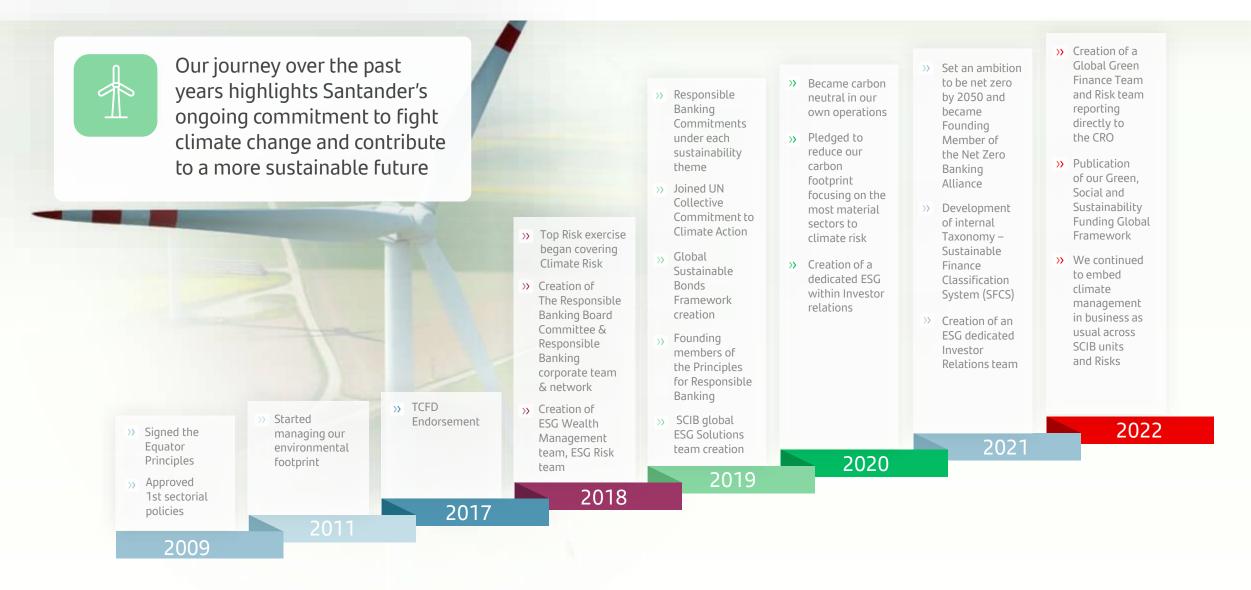
# ESG strategy

#### Overarching goal: Focus on most material items

Ambition	Goals	Priority action plans SDG's
Support the transition to a low carbon economy	Deliver our <b>Net zero</b> ambition <b>by 2050</b>	<ul> <li>Set targets in our portfolios to align with pathways to net zero, while taking into consideration other environmental goals as Nature</li> <li>Support customers in their transition, engaging with them and developing a best-in-class sustainable finance and investment proposition</li> </ul>
Promote inclusive growth	Support <b>productive</b> <b>inclusion</b> across our <b>main stakeholders:</b> employees, customers and communities	<ul> <li>Diverse and inclusive workplace that fosters employee wellbeing</li> <li>Support financial inclusion of the most vulnerable customers, promoting access to banking products and services and offering financial education</li> <li>Community support, with focus on Education, Employability and Entrepreneurship</li> </ul>
Strong governance and culture across the organization	<b>Incorporate ESG</b> in behaviors, policies, processes and governance throughout the Group	<ul> <li>Consistent tone from the top to drive cultural change and deliver on our commitments (climate, diversity, training)</li> <li>Integrate ESG into strategic processes, Risk Management &amp; rest of relevant functions and build capabilities</li> </ul>



# ESG strategy | **Our journey**



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# ESG strategy | **Responsible Banking ambition**

We have set targets in those areas where we have the greatest potential impact. Thanks to the progress we have made towards some of the targets we set in 2019, we are considering revising our ambition in a few of them.

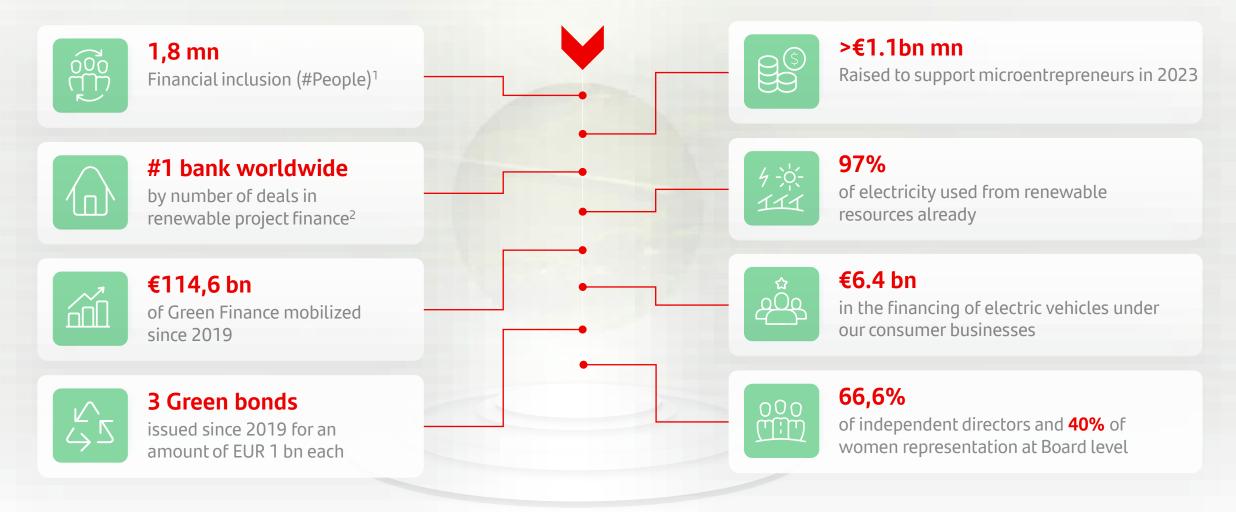
	2018 2	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2025/2030 target
Electricity from renewable sources	43%	50%	57%	75%	88%	97% ->	100% by 2025
Carbon neutral in our own operations		·····>	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	Every year
Green finance raised and facilitated (€bn)		19	33.8	65.7	94.5	114.6 ->	120bn by 2025 220bn by 2030
AuMs in <b>Socially Responsible Investments</b> (SRI) (€bn)				- 27.1	53.2	- 67.7 ->	100 bn by 2025
Thermal <b>coal</b> related power & mining phase out (€bn)				7	5.9	- 4.9>	0 by 2030
Emission intensity of <b>power generation</b> portfolio		0.21	0.17	0.19		>	0.11 tCO <sub>2</sub> e / MWh in 2030
Absolute emissions of <b>energy (oil &amp; gas)</b> portfolio		23.84	22.58	- 27.43		>	16.98 mtCO <sub>2</sub> e in 2030
Emissions intensity of aviation portfolio		92.47	93.05	97.21		>	61.71 gCO₂ e / RPK in 2030
Emissions intensity of <b>steel</b> portfolio		1.58	1.40	1.36		>	1.07 tCO <sub>2</sub> e / ts in 2030
Emissions intensity of <b>auto manufacturing</b> portfolio			149	138			103 gCO2/vkm in 2030
Emissions intensity of <b>auto lending</b> portfolio					137		75-89 gCO2e/vkm in 2030

⊘ Commitment achieved
 -> Cumulative target



# ESG strategy | Our achievements

We want to make a positive impact with actions that reflect our sustainability strategy and commitment





Note: Latest data available for FY2022 1. Starting Jan-23. Does not include financial education 2. Renewable energy finance ranking based on the league tables provided by Infralogic as of January 2023 for the last 10 years as of FY2022.

# ESG strategy | Commitment from our Top Management

By delivering on our purpose to help people and businesses prosper, we grow as a business and continue to help society address its challenges





**Ana Botín** Executive Chairman

"As a responsible bank, our approach to ESG issues is central to our strategy"

" At Santander, we've always known we have a responsibility to support society and I have no doubt that we'll continue to fulfil it. We are determined to help businesses and communities across the world build back better and use this as an opportunity to address global challenges such as inequality and climate change"



Héctor Grisi Checa CEO

"We believe in the importance of building a more responsible bank that responds to all our stakeholder's demands on ESG sustainability issues"

" For many years, Santander has been committed to the environment and supporting sustainable and inclusive growth, for which we have set clear goals, supporting our clients in their transition to a low-carbon economy "



# ESG strategy | Main challenges

Our group strategy focuses on supporting global initiatives to tackle climate change and promote sustainable growth that is accessible for everyone

Different drivers	Challenges			Initiatives
Paris Agreement	Decarbonization: Working to hold a 1.5 °C scenario	02		<ul> <li>Internal Policies and corporate culture</li> <li>External engagement</li> </ul>
EU Taxonomy	Fostering sustainable activities (green finance)	03	>>	<ul> <li>Green value proposition</li> <li>Supporting clients in the transition</li> </ul>
UN Sustainable Development Goals	Tackling global challenges to support inclusive growth	04		<ul> <li>&gt; Financial inclusion</li> <li>&gt; Risk management</li> </ul>
TCFD	Increase transparency and efficiency through governance	05		<ul> <li>Portfolio alignment</li> <li>Board's alignment contribution</li> </ul>

# Decarbonization ambition



# Decarbonization Targets | Our net zero journey

In order to be aligned with the Paris Agreement and with the aim of limiting global temperature increase to 1.5°C, we have committed to be net zero in carbon emissions by 2050 also as part of the NZBA



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Assets in scope are 54% of SAM total assets that currently have a defined Net Zero methodology and for c.50% of them we have carbon metrics available today. This objective might be reviewed upwards depending on data availability at least every five years. The target includes halving emissions in intensity terms for 50% of in-scope AUM.

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SAM target to halve net emissions

for 50% of in-scope AuM<sup>2</sup>

# Decarbonization Targets | What do we want to achieve?

As one of the world's largest banks, we have a clear role to play in financing the transition to a greener economy. We have met the goal of being carbon neutral in our own operations in 2020, but we aim to continue progressing towards our net zero ambition.



Align our portfolios to the Paris Agreement while delivering on our decarbonization targets and setting new ones



We will help more customers – people and businesses go green by offering a green value proposition to help them make sustainable choices



We will continue to **reduce the impact** we have on the environment created by Santander's day to day operations ₽Ů

Additional targets on other material sectors published last year in the following sectors: energy, aviation and steel, you can check the full details in our <u>Climate Finance Report</u>





# Decarbonization Targets | Sectorial policies



Our Environmental, Social and Climate Change (ESCC) risk management policy sets out standards for investing in, and providing financial products and services to, companies and customers engaging in sensitive activities expressly prohibiting funding to (among others):

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#### Oil & Gas

- New oil upstream clients, except for transactions for the specific financing for renewable energy
- Project-related financing to Oil upstream greenfield projects. Any projects, or expansion of existing facilities, north of the Arctic Circle
- Projects involved in the exploration, development, construction or expansion of oil & gas extraction tar sands, fracking or coal bed methane

#### Mining & Metals

Project-related financing for new, or the expansion of thermal coal mines

> Project-related financing for the construction or development of infrastructure projects whose expected revenues from coal mining related activities will be more than 30% of the project's revenues in the first five years

New clients that own thermal coal mining operations and projects worldwide, except for transactions for the specific financing for renewable energy

#### **Power Generation**

- From 2030, any entities with more than 10% of revenues, on a consolidated basis, directly derived from coal fired power generation
- Project-related financing for new coal-fired power plants projects worldwide, or for the upgrade and/or expansion of existing coalfired plants
- New clients with coal-fired power plants, except for transactions for the specific financing for renewable energy

#### Soft commodities

- Extraction of native tropical wood species not certified to FSC<sup>1</sup>
- Palm oil processors that are not certified to RSPO<sup>2</sup>
- Developments in forested peatlands in High-Risk Geographies



Note: Policy updated on February 2022 1. FSC: Forest Stewardship Certification 2. RSPO: Round Table on Sustainable Palm Oil

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# Decarbonization ambition | Fossil fuel financed

Our ratio of financed fossil fuels to total financing (including lending, underwriting of corporate bonds, government bonds, and equity issuances) is one of the lowest among all reviewed banks

Source: The Banking on Climate Chaos: Fossil Fuel Finance Report 2023

	Rank	Mandated Arranger	Fossil fuels financed in 2022 (Billion \$)	Fossil fuels financed over total financing 2022
	1	Bank 1	40,626	13%
d	2	Bank 2	39,240	5%
	3	Bank 3	37,399	7%
ng	4	Bank 4	35,467	4%
	5	Peer 1	33,943	5%
s)	6	Bank 5	29,515	18%
	7	Peer 2	29,469	15%
	12	Peer 3	20,083	5%
	19	Peer 4	11,659	5%
	22	Peer 5	11,074	2%
	34	Santander	6,640	4%



Santander's fossil fuels financing is more than 6 times smaller than the leading banks.



# Decarbonization ambition | Initial targets

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We have decarbonization targets for five climate material sectors, according to the internal roadmap from our last year's Climate Finance Report.

The targets were presented to our key climate governance bodies and approved by our board of directors.

Additional targets in Auto as seen in slide 9

Sector	Scenario	Emissions	Metric	2019 baseline	2020 progress	2030 targets
Power generation	IEA Net Zero 2050	Scope 1	tCO₂e/MWh	0.21*	0.17	0.11 (-46%)
Energy (Oil & Gas)	IEA Net Zero 2050	Scope 1 + 2+3**	mtCO₂e	23.84	22.58	16.98 (-29%)
Aviation	IEA Net Zero 2050	Scope 1+2	grCO₂e/RPK	92.47	93.05	61.71 (-33%)
Steel	IEA Net Zero 2050	Scope 1 + 2	tCO₂e/tS	1.58	1.40	1.07 (-32%)
Thermal coal	<ul> <li>Phase-out targets to eliminate exposure by 2030 to:</li> <li>Power generation customers with a revenue dependency on coal of over 10%</li> <li>coal mining</li> </ul>					



\* In last year's Climate Finance Report, we assessed the 2019 financed emissions of our power generation portfolio, including guarantees and other types of off-balance exposure to our customers that do not entail current funding. Because, according to the PCAF standard, such exposure should not be calculated if its attribution factor is "outstanding", we were overattributed with our corporate customers' emissions. Therefore, the 2019 baseline emissions intensity has been restated from 0.23 to 0.21. The target and climate ambition remains for this sector. \*\* Use of sold products.

# Decarbonization ambition | Examples of some Country and Unit efforts

#### Net zero actions and targets in Wealth Management & progress in our decarbonization strategy in Poland

#### Wealth Management road to Net Zero

#### **Climate Commitments**

In March 2021, Santander AM joined the global Net Zero Asset Managers (NZAM) initiative for net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050

2030 interim target to reduce net emissions by half for 50% of AUM in-scope<sup>1</sup>

by **2025**<sup>2</sup>

EUR 100 bn in Socially responsible investments AUMs

Increase through fund reprofiling and new sustainable investment products and services

Creation of a global ESG strategy team to coordinate the efforts of our three businesses and strengthen SAM's ESG dedicated team

#### **Net Zero Actions**

- Participation in key >> investors climate initiatives
- Collaboration as a tool for >> driving change
- Engagement plan in our >> core markets with a focus on SME's
- Polluting Sectors >> strategy, phasing-out coal exposure and focusing on key material sectors
- Portfolio construction >> evolution, towards Net Zero
- Facilitation of investment >> in climate solutions
- Maintain leadership in >> climate stewardship and advocacy in core markets

#### Poland strategy Committed to support the Coal phase-out

#### Alignment with decarbonization targets

- Poland's energy mix is **shifting** >> away from coal to Renewable Energy Sources (RES)
- Santander Bank Polska (SBP) credit portfolio should be aligned with the coal-exit 2030 benchmark earlier than the deadline
- SCIB is the market leader in Green Finance with estimated market share exceeding 15%
- Government approved energy >> strategy plan (PEP2040) that assumes **17GW of new capacity** in RES and gas by 2030
- It is estimated that the above plan will require between EUR 20 bn and EUR 32 bn CAPEX

#### Helping clients to transition

(transactions arranged and executed by SBP)

- Direct financing of RES projects (last 12 months): 55 SBP arranged financing of 500MW of wind and solar projects and we are committed to reach 1GW in H1 2022
  - Supporting clients in >> transformation into green **Energy and ESG:** 
    - First ever ESG-linked syndicated loan in Poland
    - First Corporate green bond
    - Green Eurobonds for the **Republic of Poland**
    - The first sustainable–linked bonds
    - The first ESG-linked bonds
    - ECA-backed financing for
    - **RES project**
- M&A transactions and debt advisory services for our clients in RES



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2. AUMs classified as Article 8 and 9 funds (SFDR) from SAM, plus third-party funds and other ESG products according to the EU taxonomy from Private Banking. We apply equivalent ESG criteria to SAM's funds in Latin America.

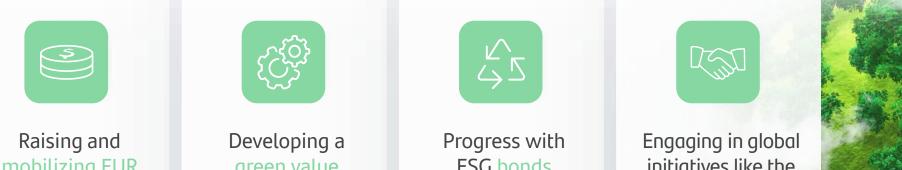
# 03

Financing the green transition

**Santander** 

# Green Finance | Our global reach

Finance is a key enabler of the transition towards a low-carbon economy. We are contributing to a more sustainable economy by managing climate-related risks and opportunities, building a comprehensive sustainable and green finance proposition. We are currently working on:



mobilizing EUR 120 bn in green finance by 2025 and EUR 220 bn by 2030 Developing a green value proposition and ESG investment solutions for our clients

ESG bonds issuance, EUR 3 bn since 2019 Engaging in global initiatives like the Net zero Banking Alliance where we are a founding member



# Green Finance | Our #1 global franchise



Santander has consistently been the leading Bank in financing renewable energies for the past 10 years and we aim to maintain our leadership

Global Renewable Energy Project Finance Ve	olume
and Transactions by MLA FY 2012-22	

Rank	Mandated Arranger	Vol. (€m)	N°
1	Santander	38,153	663
2	Mitsubishi UFJ	35,133	539
3	Sumitomo	31,343	510
4	Société Generale	19,810	349
5	Natixis (Groupe BPCE)	19,361	330
6	Crédit Agricole	18,984	327
7	Norddeutsche Landesbank	14,070	317
8	BNP Paribas	18,585	301
9	ING Group	15,562	298
10	Rabobank Group	13,774	288

#### Europe & Americas Energy Project Finance Volume and Transactions by MLA FY 2012-22

Rank	Mandated Arranger	Vol. (€m)	N٥
1	Santander	37,800	660
2	Mitsubishi UFJ	27,650	405
3	Sumitomo	21,566	326
4	Natixis (Groupe BPCE)	17,398	299
5	Crédit Agricole	17,089	296
6	Norddeutsche Landesbank	13,009	292
7	Société Generale	16,113	274
8	Rabobank Group	13,135	273
9	BNP Paribas	16,382	252
10	ING Group	13,250	250



# Green Finance | Green solutions for our individual, SMEs and Corporate customers

Building on our current offering of green products, we continue to strengthen our sustainable finance proposition with dedicated purpose and sustainability linked financing. Our green financing products and services are designed around five key verticals, adapted to the specific needs of our customers in all geographies.

As a leading retail and commercial banks, we have responsibility to help our Corporates, SMEs and individual clients go green.

	<b>What we finance</b>	💑 Our customers needs 🕅 Key geographies
Green buildings	Purchase, construction and refurbishment of energy-efficient buildings. Installation and refurbishment of renewable power systems that use 30% less energy.	Developer loans, private solar panel installation, smart meters, energy efficient lighting, mortgages with an "A" or "B" energy rating.
Clean mobility	Clean transport and infrastructure	Leases of electric and hybrid vehicles (<50 g CO2 per passenger km) and financing for charging stations and bicycle lanes.
Renewables	Renewable energy production and transport. Energy storage.	Financing of solar panels, wind farms and battery and storage battery production.
Agro	Sustainable and protected agriculture. Land and forest conservation. Sustainable farming.	Financing of greenhouses, reducedImage: Second system
Circular economy	Activities to adapt to, or mitigate, climate change; preserve biodiversity; and boost the circular economy.	Financing of water, waste and soil treatment; greater energy efficiency; lower emissions; and conservation.



# Green Finance | Examples of some Country and Unit efforts

Providing sustainable solutions to our customers in Consumer Finance & Santander España

Santander Consumer Finance Green proposition already a reality

208.259 Electric cars financed: c.€6.5 bn

Electric vehicles representing 25.8% of new business – new cars in September YTD

- >> Subscription Services
- New agreements with OEM specialists
- New finance product catalogue for EVs

Consumer (non-auto) business already green:

- >> Solar Panels
- >> Green heating systems
- >> Chargers
- » Bikes & e-bikes
- >> Eco cards
- >> Green fashion
- >> Social Education
- >> Retrofit

#### Santander España Sustainable product proposition

#### **Products for SME's**

- Green Loans 5 verticals
- >> Green Buildings
- >> Clean mobility
- >> Renewable Energy
- >> Sustainable Agro
- >> Circular economy

#### Sustainable products offer:

- >> Real estate developers
- >> Green mortgage
- >> Home retrofitting loans
- >> ECO Renting / leasing mobility
- Renovation of agricultural machinery, and EIB sustainable Agro line
- >> Photovoltaic leasing for the installation of solar panels

#### Non-financial offer

- >> Carbon footprint calculation and compensation for individual customers
- >> Eco cards
- >> Home and mobility eco simulators
- Sustainability certification for SME's provided by AENOR in partnership with Santander
- Platform to help companies manage and benefit from public aid and the NextGenEU funds
- Other services provided include assistance to complete Non-financial reports and carbon footprint calculator for Corporates



# Green Finance | Protecting the Brazilian Amazon

We believe protecting the Amazon rainforest is key to tackle climate change. Santander was the first private-sector Brazilian bank to develop in 2002 credit analysis that considered environmental and social risks, and in 2016, we were the first to formally incorporate a sustainability rating into the credit score of our corporate clients.

**Collective action is critical to enable a sustainable transition in the beef sector**. Febraban announced in May 2023 the approval of a new voluntary standard (<u>NORMATIVO SARB 026/2023</u>) that reflects the alignment amongst 21 banks towards financing beef processing clients. As such, we are currently refining our implementation framework to support this unprecedented move by the Brazilian Financial sector.

#### **Actions taken:**

- >>> Loan requests by farmers & ranchers are checked for embargoes related to illegal deforestation
- >> Client's practices are reviewed annually (more than 2,000 clients), including beef processors, soy traders and logging companies
- >> Founders of The Round Table on Responsible Soy (RTRS)



- As part of its credit approval for loans to farmers and ranchers, Santander works with a satellite-imaging firm that monitors 17,000 properties that are financed or that are taken as collateral
- For corporate clients across Brazil, not just in the Amazon region, Santander has a set of processes and controls that take into consideration if our clients are legally compliant and have good practices
- Santander continues to engage with other concerned parties to stop deforestation. It was the first bank in Brazil to require native-species lumber companies to have the Forest Stewardship Certification (FSC) to become a client, as well as the RSPO (Round Table on Sustainable Palm Oil) and RTSR certifications



# 04

Financial Inclusion, Empowerment & Community support



# Financial Inclusion, Empowerment & Community support | Global approach

At Santander we seek to provide tailored finance to those facing difficulties while trying to access credit, by designing solutions for individuals and SMEs in financial distress. The Group is leading numerous global initiatives to promote social progress



"Banks have a critical role to play in supporting inclusive and sustainable growth around the world. We are part of the solution, supporting our employees and customers while delivering sustainable returns to our shareholders"

> Ana Botín Executive Chairman



# Financial Inclusion, Empowerment & Community support

#### Financial Inclusion & Empowerment - Global approach

We continue to help people access the financial system and set up micro-businesses while we provide them with the appropriate tools to manage their finances. Santander Finance for All is our initiative to support financial inclusion and empowerment. We financially empower people in three ways:



#### Access

We help people access and use basic financial services through simple payment platforms and cash in/cash out services in remote and small communities



Santander Finance for All

#### Finance

We provide tailored finance to individuals and SMEs with difficulty accessing credit or that are in financial distress



#### **Financial Education**

We help people gain financial knowledge, making economic concepts more understandable and enabling them to make better financial decisions



# Financial Inclusion, Empowerment & Community support

#### Financial Inclusion & Empowerment - Key initiatives

We are proud to have developed financial inclusion initiatives that have been successfully implemented in the LATAM region



Prospera is the largest microfinance programme offered by a private bank in Brazil. Created in 2002, it helps people without access to formal banking. Since 2015 it has offered microloans and other products at social inclusion in Colombia & Peru in 2021, and with the following figures as of December 2022

#### >718 mn

€ of funding disbursed

>1.1 mn Microentrepreneurs helped

Launched in 2017, Tuiio is a financial inclusion programme in Mexico for low-income households, designed to make a positive impact by offering competitive microloans, especially to support and develop businesses with the following figures as of December 2022

#### >138 mn € of funding

disbursed

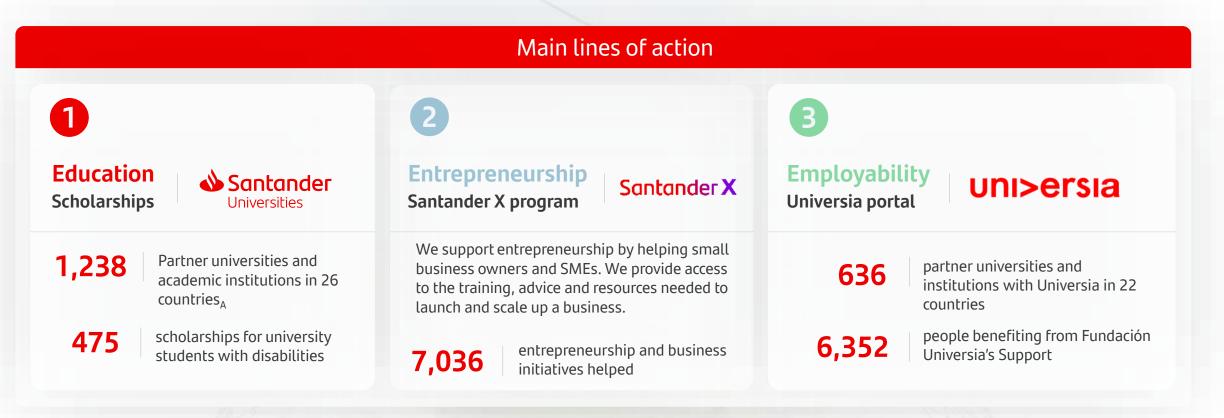
#### >300 k Microentrepreneurs helped



# Financial Inclusion, Empowerment & Community support

#### **Community support - Higher Education**

We believe education is the bedrock of financial inclusion and customer protection, that is why it sits at the core of our Responsible Banking agenda, and it is fostered through different initiatives





A. Includes universities, institutions and organizations that have an agreement with Santander Universities, Universia and Fundación Universia. For Santander Universities alone, the figure is 904 academic entities in 12 countries.

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# Corporate Governance

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# Corporate Governance | Our strengths

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As a responsible bank we have a clear, robust governance. Best practices on governance are channelled to all our subsidiaries, as part of our global Governance Model

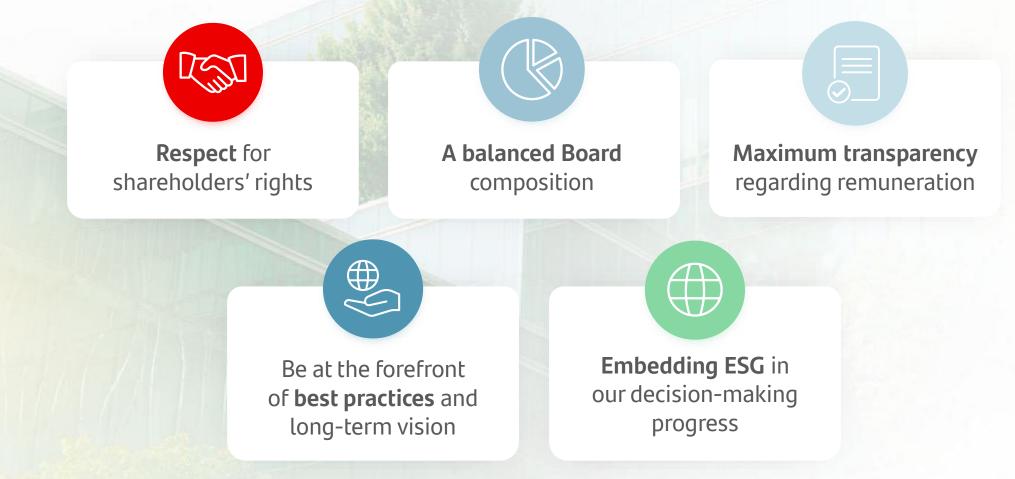


- >> Commitment to maximise the disclosure and quality of information
- Our remote attendance electronic application enabled online participation in a virtual-only format for the 2021 AGM, the 2022 AGM was held in a hybrid format. Irrespective of the AGM format, our Shareholders were able to fully exercise all their rights, attend and participate in the meetings in real time
- >> Update of our policy on communication and engagement with shareholders and investors
- Transparency and simplification of remuneration with performance metrics aligned with shareholder interest and the Group's objectives
- >> Strong committee structure supporting the board
- >> Good long-standing practices in corporate governance embedded in our Board Regulations
- >> Thematic **responsible banking, sustainability and culture committee** in full coordination with the other committees

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# Corporate Governance | Our strengths

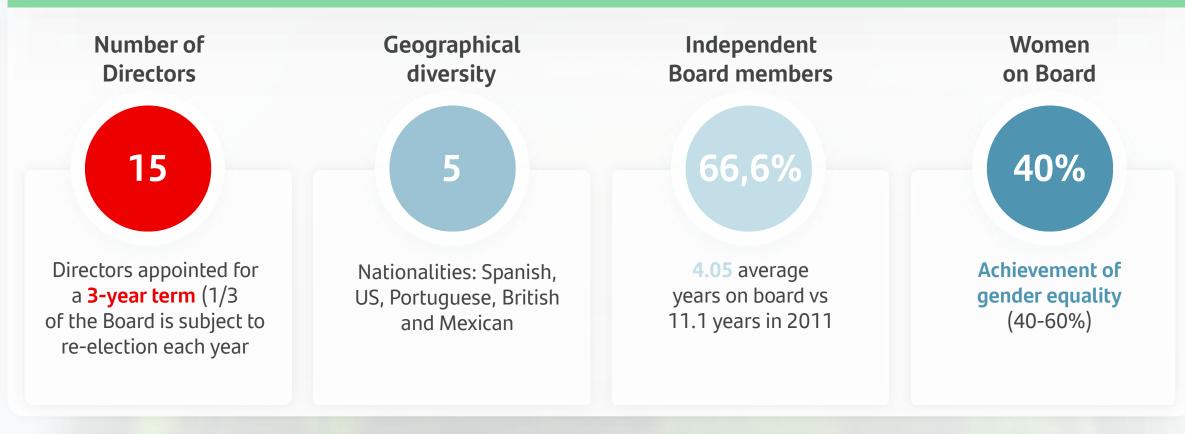
We strive to have a clear and robust governance with well-defined accountability and a prudent management of risks and opportunities to ensure:





# Corporate Governance | Board composition

Our Board composition ensures an ongoing effective supervision supported by a well-balanced committee structure





# Corporate Governance | Executive variable remuneration

# Aligned with our strategic goals

- To further support the Group's transformation strategy, short-term corporate bonus metrics will include the new strategic priorities released at the 2023 Investor Day, maintaining the focus on clients (with active customers as the main metric), as well as RoTE (which continues to be part of the scheme). The third pillar to be included as a metric is capital, to outline the importance of capital generation throughout the business.
- Long-term targets remained the same with Return on tangible equity (RoTE) growth, relative total shareholder return (TSR) and ESG (environmental, social and governance) metrics.

A Executive directors' variable remuneration is subject to meeting financial and nonfinancial targets.

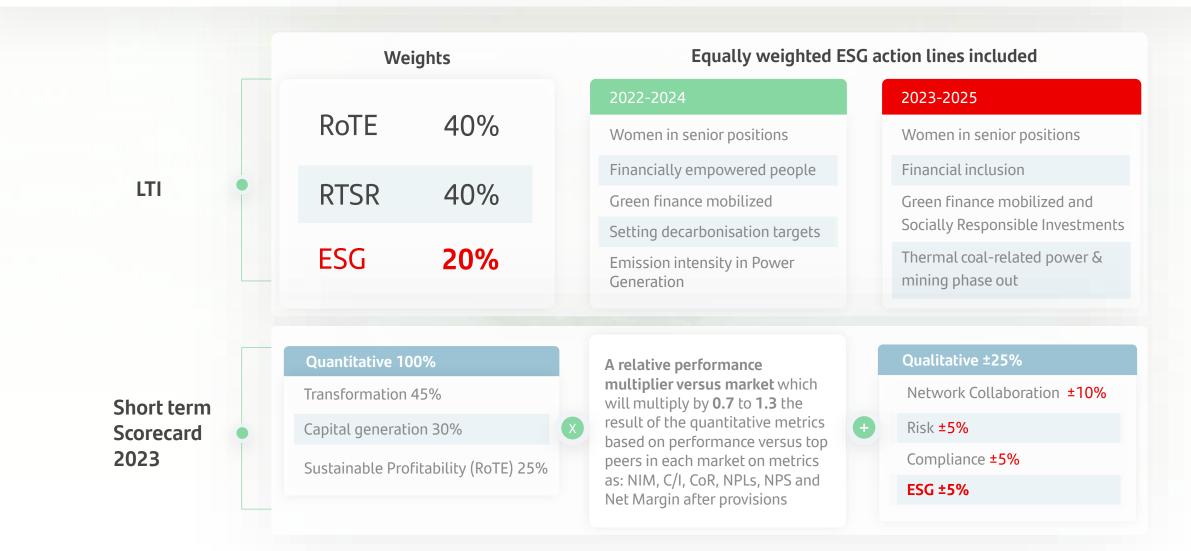
# Aligned with shareholder interests

- 50% of all variable remuneration is in instruments (Banco Santander S.A., shares and share options, and restricted stock units (RSUs) of PagoNxt, S.L.
- Share retention policy: 3 years after delivery of shares, unless the director already holds 200% of their annual fixed remuneration in shares. And share options shall not be exercisable until one year after their delivery.
- 60% of variable remuneration is deferred over a 5-year period with share and share optionbased payments subject to a one year holding period after vesting

# Aligned with regulatory requirements

> Including malus and clawback policy

### Corporate Governance | ESG in Reward





# External engagement & Recognition

NASDAQ Welcomes Santander

to the sustainable bond network

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# External engagement & Recognition | Partnerships & initiatives

We drive our responsible banking agenda through a number of local and international initiatives and working groups, which include among others:

UNEP Finance initiative. We are a founding signatory to the United Nations Principles for Responsible Banking and signed up to the Collective Commitment to Climate Action (CCCA) to transition the financial sector to a low-carbon economy faster. In 2020, we participated in Phase II of the UNEP FI project on the TCFD's recommendations for banks, reporting on the progress made to accelerate the adoption of low-carbon and climateresilient technologies and business models in society.

We joined the **Green Recovery Alliance** of the European Union and the Consultative Group of the Taskforce on Scaling Voluntary Carbon Markets. World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD). Our Group Executive Chairman, Ana Botín, sits on the WBCSD's executive committee. In 2020, we supported the Vision 2050 and Future of Work initiatives and signaled our intention to participate in the new Scaling Positive Agriculture project under the Food, Land & Water Program.

**Equator Principles.** We analyse the environmental and social risks of our lending according to the Equator Principles and help draw up common criteria.

**Banking Environment Initiative (BEI).** We continued to participate in the Bank 2030 initiative, aimed at building a roadmap for the banking industry to help society in the transition towards a low-carbon economy. United Nations Global Compact. We've been part of the Global Compact network since 2002. In 2020, we joined the United Nations Global Compact's gender equality programme. We also joined the Target Gender Equality (TGE) program, launched in 19 countries with the goal of increasing the number of women on company boards and in executive roles.

Founding signatory of the Net Zero Banking Alliance, also Santander Asset Management is a member of the Net Zero Asset Managers Initiative (both under the umbrella of The Glasgow Financial Alliance for Net Zero - GFANZ). And member of the United Nations Principles for Responsible Banking.

Santander participated in the TNFD (Taskforce for Nature-related Financial Disclosures) a project coordinated by Global Canopy and UNEP FI. The group has also joined the TNFD Forum.







Global Investors for Sustainable Development Alliance Banking Environment Initiative



# External engagement & Recognition | ESG Ratings

Rating Agcy.	2022	2023	Evol.
MSCI 🌐	MSCI index AA	MSCI index AA MSCI index AA	
SUSTAINALYTICS *	22.4	19.7	
CDP	А	A -	~ ~
Member of Dow Jones Sustainability Indices Peeserd by the S&P Global CSA	World & Europe index 83	World & Europe index 80	~ ~
ISS <mark>E</mark> SG⊳	C (55.6)	-	=
MOODY'S ESG Solutions	61	65	<b>A</b>
FTSE4Good	FTSE4Good Index 4.1	FTSE4Good Index 4.7	
Boonberg Bastrater) Statt statt)	92.87	-	=

We engage with ESG ratings to signal our progress and keep improving with their feedback

#### Ratings

- In 2023, we maintained our position in MSCI (AA) and remain in the DJSI World and European Index for Banks. In CDP we maintained our positioning at Leadership level, however decreased from A to A-.
- >>> We improved our position in Sustainalytics, scoring 19.7 points (-2.7 points) and placing in the 'low risk' category.

We scored 65 points (+4 points) in Moody's and 4.7 points (+0.6 points) in
 FTSE4Good.

**Awards** 



World's best bank for financial inclusion by Euromoney for the third year in a row; World's best bank for SMEs and World's best bank for emerging markets by Euromoney

#### CHANGE THE WORLD

Highest ranked bank on Fortune's list of 50 companies that are changing the world, owing to Santander Universities support for education, entrepreneurship and employability over the past 27 years

# Annexes



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# Transparency & Disclosure | Reports and additional information

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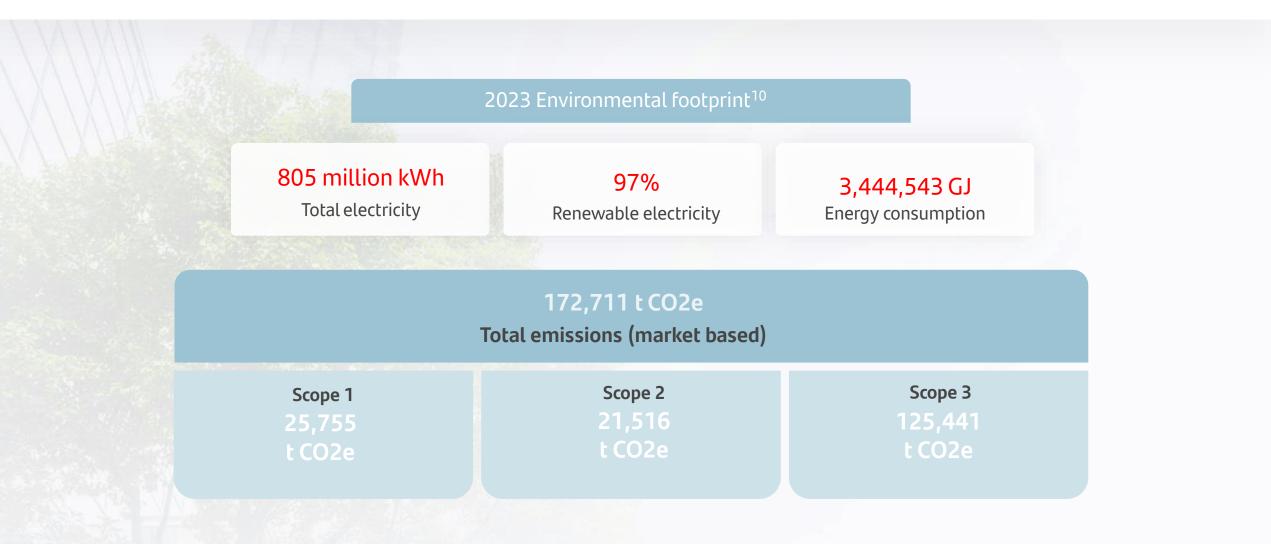
# Santander Climate strategy and four Pillars

#### Main areas involved in implementing our climate change strategy





# Environmental footprint | Ensuring we have the lowest possible impact on the environment





10. A two-year environmental footprint table, showing employee consumption and emissions is available under 8. 'Our progress in figures' section in this chapter. Scope 3 Category 15 Investments (Financed emissions) is also disclosed in this section.

# Decarbonization Targets | Current exposure

#### We have enhanced the materiality assessment with scenario analysis to calculate quantitative heatmaps

September 2023 (pre-mitigation	on), EUR billion	TR	PR	CIB	Other segments
Power (Conventional)		_	_	28	2
Power (Renewable	s Project Finance)			12	0
Oil & Gas				23	1
Mining & Metals				14	8
Transport				28	12
Auto Consumer				0	159
Real Estate				8	388
	Agriculture			2	9
Other Climate-	Construction			17	14
related sectors	Manufacturing			49	26
	Water & Waste			3	1
<b>Climate Sectors</b>				184	620
Other sectors				58	230
Total portfolio				242	850

Low	Moderately low	
Medium	📕 High 📕 Very High	

We use materiality assessments, quantitative and qualitative heatmaps, scenario analyses and other tools and techniques to analyze the potential impact of climate and environmental factors on our portfolios.



TR: transition risk. PR: physical risk. CIB: REC (on and off-balance sheet lending + guarantees + derivatives PFE: Potential Future Exposure). Other segments: Drawn amount; includes individuals, SCF, Auto US, Corporates and Institutions, and SMEs. Other sectors: considered as low risk; include CIB, Corporate and SMEs outside the risk taxonomy perimeter // Individuals and SCF: cards and other consumer credit // Private Banking (excl. mortgages). Exposure 0 represents exposure below EUR 500 million.



Our purpose is to help people and businesses prosper.

Our culture is based on believing that everything we do should be:

#### Simple Personal Fair





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