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# Sustainability

Helping people and businesses prosper





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#### Non-IFRS and alternative performance measures

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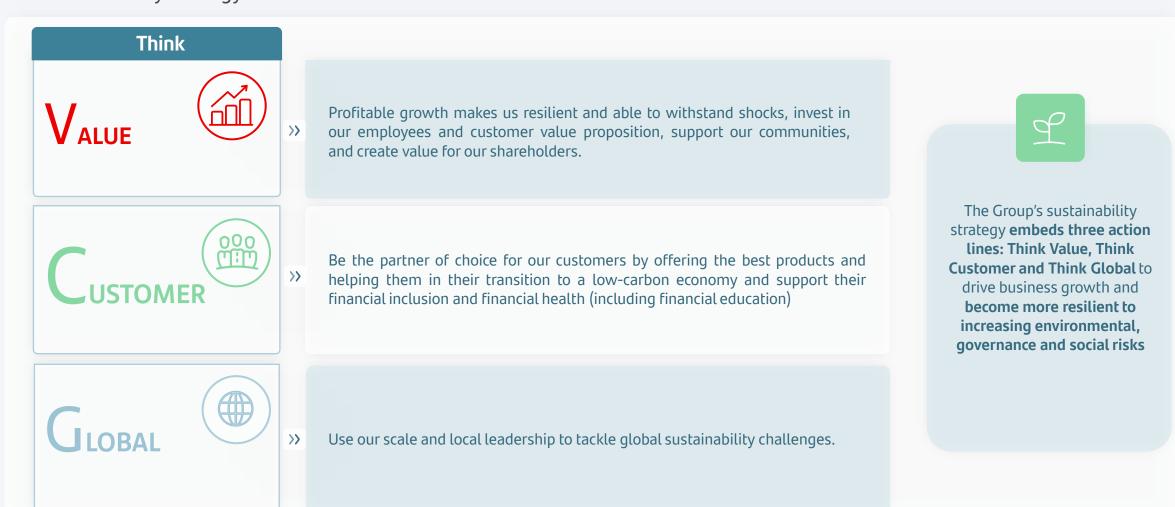


## Sustainability | Our strategy

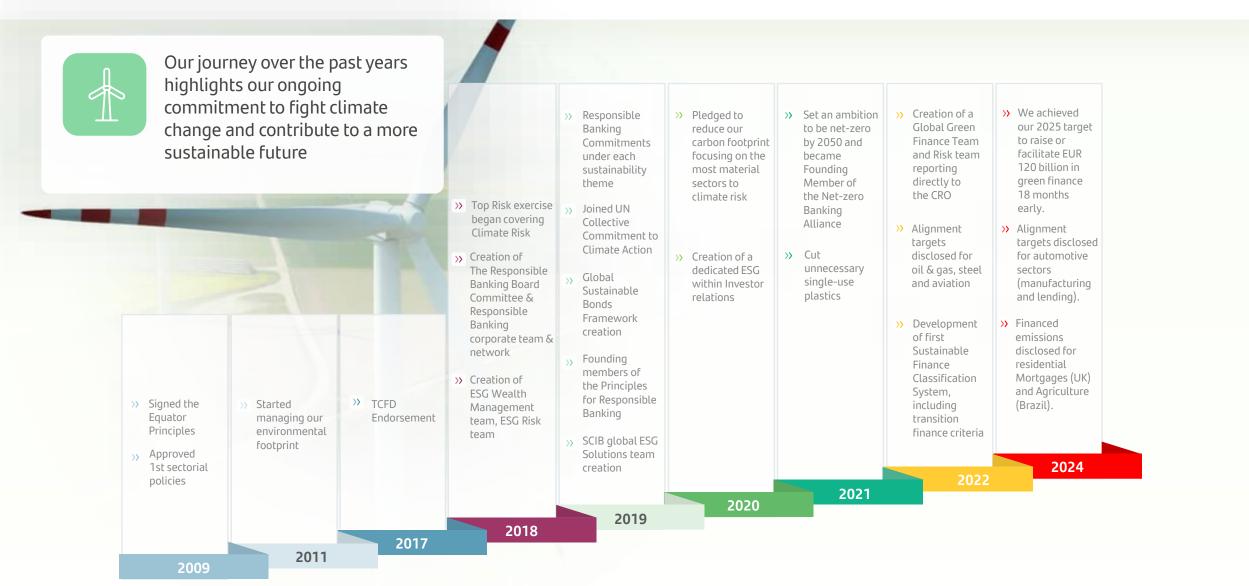


## Sustainability | Strategy

Our Sustainability strategy continues to focus on issues that are material to Santander



## ESG strategy | Our journey





### We have set targets in those areas where we have the greatest potential impact

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025/2030 target	
<b>Green finance</b> raised and facilitated (€bn) <sup>A</sup>	19	33.8	65.7	94.5	115.3	139.4	120bn by 2025 220bn by 2030	
AuMs in <b>Socially Responsible Investments</b> (SRI) (€bn)			27.1	53.2	67.7	88.8	100bn by 2025	
Thermal <b>coal</b> related power & mining phase out (€bn)			7.0	5.9	4.9	4.8	> 0 by 2030	
Emission intensity of <b>power generation</b> portfolio <sup>B</sup>	0.21 -	0.17	0.19	0.16	0.15	>	0.11 tCO <sub>2</sub> e / MWh in 2030	
Absolute emissions of <b>energy (oil &amp; gas)</b> portfolio <sup>B</sup>	23.84	22.58	27.43		4.9	>	16.98 mtCO <sub>2</sub> e in 2030	
Emissions intensity of <b>aviation</b> portfolio <sup>B</sup>	92.47	93.05	97.21	81.09	82.99	>	61.71 gCO <sub>2</sub> e / RPK in 2030	
Emissions intensity of <b>steel</b> portfolio <sup>B</sup>	1.58	1.40	1.36	1.24	1.38	>	1.07 tCO <sub>2</sub> e / tS in 2030	
Emissions intensity of <b>auto manufacturing</b> portfolio <sup>B</sup>		149	138	133	134	>	103 gCO <sub>2</sub> / vkm in 2030	
Emissions intensity of <b>auto lending</b> portfolio B,C				137	133	>	75-89 gCO2e / vkm in 2030	
<b>Electricity</b> from renewable sources <sup>D</sup>	50% -	57%	75%	88%	97%	96%	> 100% by 2025	



## 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

"Sustainability and inclusion are at the core of our vision"

"We are empowering communities, financing the transition to a greener economy, and fostering a culture of responsibility, ensuring that our impact extends beyond profits to create a better world"



**Héctor Grisi Checa** CEO

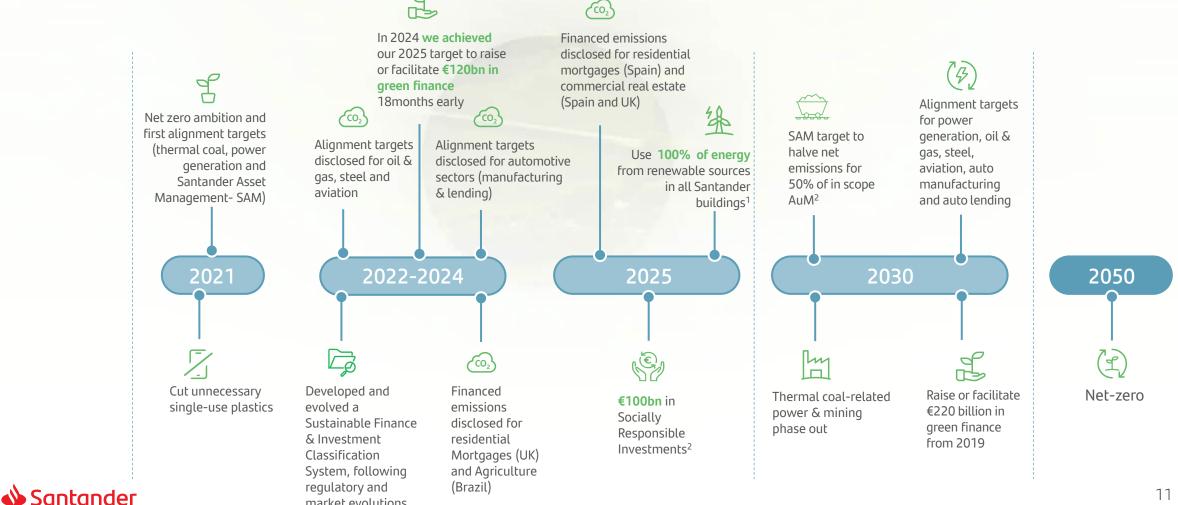
"Santander has been supporting the transition to a low carbon economy and financing the build-out of renewable energy capacity for decades"

"In 2024, we hit the target we set in 2019 to mobilize more than €120 billion in green finance 18 months early. We have mobilized almost €140 billion since 2019"



## Alignment pathway Key milestones

We continue to work towards our ambition of net zero carbon emissions by 2050 by progressively setting specific actions to align our portfolios



market evolutions In countries where we can verify electricity from renewable sources at Banco Santander properties. Target considers the 10 core markets in which we operate. B. Assets in scope are 54% of SAM's total assets, which currently have a set Net Zero methodology. This objective might be revised upwards at least every five years, depending on data availability

# Alignment pathway | Progress in our alignment targets

		Scope	Metric	Baseline	2020	2021	2022	2023	2030		Value Chain in scope	
<b>\$</b>	Power generation	1	tCO₂e/MWh	0.21* (2019 baseline year)	0.17	0.19	0.16	0.15	0.11 (-46%)	Upstream / Generation	Midstream / Distribution	Downstream End product
IEA net-zero 2050 <b>scenario</b>	Energy (Oil & Gas)	1 + 2+3 <sup>1</sup>	mtCO₂e	23.84 (2019 baseline year)	22.58	27.43	20.94	20.27	16.98 (-29%)	Upstream / Extraction	Integrated / Diversified  Midstream / Distribution	Downstream / Trading
	Aviation	1 + 2	grCO₂e/RPK	92.47 (2019 baseline year)	93.05	97.21	81.09	82.99	61.71 (-33%)	Upstream / Suppliers	Midstream / Manufacturing	Downstream/ Airlines
	Steel	1+2	tCO₂e/tS	1.58 (2019 baseline year)	1.40	1.36	1.24	1.38	1.07 (-32%)	Upstream / Materials extraction	Manufacturing	Downstream End product
	Auto manufacturing	3 <sup>1</sup>	gCO₂e/vkm	149 (2020 baseline year)	149	138	133	134	103 (-31%)²	Upstream / Suppliers- Materials	Midstream / Manufacturing	Midstream / Dealer
	Auto lending <sup>C</sup>	1+2	gCO₂e/vkm	137 (2020 baseline year)	N/A	N/A	137	133	75-89 (-35-45%)			Downstream , End-users
	Thermal coal		_	ninate exposure by ver 10% and therm		_	customers w	ith a revenue			'	



## Alignment pathway | Mitigating levers

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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<sup>1</sup>.

Risk Appetite

We **set risk appetite limits** on sectors with decarbonization targets, tiering customers according to the degree of alignment with our ambition and the quality of their transition plans.

**ESG Panels** 

**Several panels of ESG** experts were put in place during 2023 to analyse and challenge the proposed classification under sustainability criteria, fully aligned with the SFICS (Sustainable Finance and Investment Classification System).

### **Further Actions**

- Credit committees, embed environmental, social and climate change factors in transaction review.
- CIB customer ratings consider environmental, social and climate change qualitative assessments for climate sectors.
- Customer engagement in the most relevant sectors, helping clients in their transition, with tailormade solutions.
- Multi-disciplinary working group on ESG controversies, coordinated by the Reputational risk function.



## Sustainability ambition | **Examples of some efforts across our Global Businesses**

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>

**EUR 100 bn in Socially** responsible investments AUMs by **2025**<sup>2</sup>

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

### **Corporate and Investment Banking**



### Supporting customers in their transition goals

To achieve our net-zero ambition, our main lever as a bank is supporting our customers in their efforts to transition to a low carbon economy

### Sustainable Finance proposition

CIB has raised and mobilized globally €139.4 billion in green finance between 2019 and December 2024.

We have achieved our €120bn target 18 months ahead of time and are working towards reaching €220bn by 2030.

#### **Deals** (Non-exhaustive list)

- Santander acted as a Financial Adviser to Sonnedix to raise a €2.5bn debt package to refinance 1.1GW portfolio of renewable energy assets in Spain, Italy, and France.
- ) In Export Finance, Santander participated as a Pathfinder, MLA and Lender in €1.3bn green financing partially covered by BPI Assurance Export for Verkor.
- )) In Trade Finance, we participated in a €1.2bn green guarantee line with coverage from Spanish export credit agency Cesce for Siemens Gamesa.
- In Supply Chain Finance, we signed a sustainability-linked confirming program with Vestas in Brazil, the first supply chain finance program of its kind for the energy sector in the country.



Note: Non exhaustive, selected examples

- Assets in scope are assets with a defined net-zero methodology, which currently amount to 54% of total AuM. For c.50% of those, SAM has carbon metrics available today. This objective might be 14 reviewed upwards depending on data availability.
- 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



## 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:



Raising and mobilizing €220 bn in green finance by 2030



Developing a green value proposition and ESG investment solutions for our clients



Green bonds three issuances of EUR 3bn since 2019



Engaging in global initiatives like the Net-zero Banking Alliance where we are a founding member





## Green Finance | Our global franchise



Santander has been a leader in renewable energy finance for more than 10. In 2024, we were among the top banks in number of transactions and deal value globally, with 82 transactions closed and a 4.54% market share.

#### Renewable Energy Financing FY24<sup>1</sup>

Rank	Loan Provider	Vol. (€mn)	No	Rank
1	Bank 1	8,009	79	4.95%
2	Santander	7,346	82	4.54%
3	Bank 2	7,175	94	4.44%
4	Peer 1	5,641	80	3.49%
5	Bank 3	4,930	66	3.05%
6	Peer 2	4,126	59	2.55%
7	Peer 3	4,044	49	2.50%
8	Bank 4	3,978	41	2.46%
9	Bank 5	3,538	44	2.19%
10	Bank 6	3,411	46	2.11%

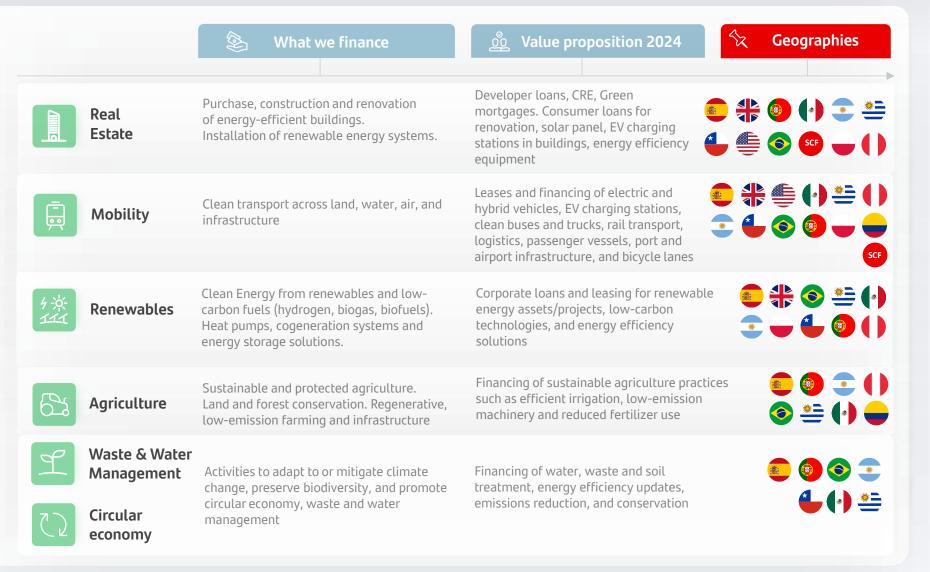


## Green Finance | Green solutions for our individual, SMEs and Corporate customers

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

Our green financing products and services are designed around key verticals, adapted to the specific needs of our customers in all geographies





## 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

+243.000 Electric vehicles financed: €6.8bn¹

#### Market share in Europe over 12% in **EU SCF markets**

- **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
- Retrofit



#### Santander España Sustainable product proposition

#### Financial offer **Corporates & individuals**

- Green Loans for dedicated purposes across 5 verticals
- >> Sustainability Linked Loans
- >> Green mortgages
  - Green consumer loans for
- retrofitting works or energy efficiency, green vehicles...
- Loans for the installation of solar panels
- >>> ECO Renting / leasing mobility

#### Non-financial offer

- >> Carbon footprint calculation and compensation for individual customers
- >> Sustainable value proposal for Cards Digital First (to avoid producing new ones), physical cards with recycled materials, collection of expired cards giving them a 2<sup>nd</sup> life
- Homes value proposition: green mortgages, retrofitting works for energy efficiency, both for individuals' homes and for dwellings
- Agreement with CBRE to decarbonize real estate assets including advisory services, execution of works and financing
- Platform to help companies manage and benefit from public aid and the NextGen EU funds
- Other services provided include assistance to complete Non-financial reports and carbon footprint calculator for Corporates



## Green Finance | Protecting the Brazilian Amazon

Santander is committed to safeguarding and promoting the sustainable development of the Amazon rainforest, which is vital to address climate change and conserve biodiversity. We need economic growth, but it must be sustainable.

For years, Santander Brazil has been working with its customers to promote sustainable development and continuously enhance our approach to addressing deforestation. Santander Brazil has an E&S (Environmental and Social) risk department in São Paulo, staffed by expert analysts with degrees in biology, geography, environmental management and chemical engineering. Our framework ensures:

#### **Actions taken:**



- >> Regular reviews of customer's practices: **We conduct annual ESG reviews of more than 2,000 corporate and retail customers**, including beef processors, soy traders and logging companies
- >> Safeguards relating to indigenous and conservation areas: We screen loan applications to make sure that properties do not overlap with officially recognized indigenous territories, conservation units and forests classified by the government as Type B<sup>1</sup>
- >> Comprehensive loan screening: All loan requests by farmers and ranchers to Santander in Brazil are checked for government embargoes due to illegal deforestation.
- >> Since Q1'22, we have been running daily checks to identify potential recent deforestation on farms and ranches that we finance throughout the entire loan term, even before any government fines are imposed..





## Financial Inclusion & 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



**Ana Botín**Executive Chairman

New people financially 2.6mn included Disbursed in microcredits €1.27bn to more than 1.3mn of microentrepreneurs Invested in €166mn communities to promote higher education, employability €104mn and entrepreneurship, benefitting 5 million people



## Financial Inclusion & Community support

### We have different initiatives to support Financial Inclusion



Promoting access to cash and transactions We aim to ensure underserved communities

can get cash anywhere, through our remote branches and agreements with private and state-run entities that widen our footprint

#### Promoting digital access

We help people access the banking system so they can make payments; use basic, tailored financial services; take greater control of their finances; and make faster and more secure transactions

Financial solutions for vulnerable groups We offer financial support to vulnerable groups so customers will have access to basic products and know how to use them

and remote regions<sup>1</sup>



Partnerships to reach underserved communities<sup>2</sup>



Digital wallets and points of sale3

Basic accounts<sup>4</sup>



Support to senior citizen 💿 💿 👫 🍙 🕟 customers<sup>5</sup>









Finance

#### Microfinance

We promote social mobility and help lowincome and underbanked entrepreneurs set up and grow businesses

Microfinance programs









Supporting customers in financial distress We have debt relief programs that include payment deferrals and line of credit extensions.

Financing low-income households' basic needs We offer products and services that enable low-income households to access housing and meet other basic financial needs

Supporting customers in financial distress<sup>6</sup>









Affordable housing supply<sup>7</sup>













1. In Spain, branches in remote (or sparsely populated) areas to facilitate access to credit and combat social exclusion in communities of less than 10,000 inhabitants. In Portugal, branches in low-income, small or isolated regions, such as the Azores and Madeira. In Argentina, we have financial inclusion branches and remote agents in the marginal environment of Buenos Aires and vulnerable communities. In Poland, ATMs in municipalities where there is no Santander branch or partner point of sale. In Uruquay, 3 mobile branches have been installed in the country since 2020 to reach areas with low levels of banking penetration. 2. Agreements with Correos Cash in Spain, partnerships with retailers such as Oxxo or 7Eleven in Mexico, and agreements with third parties in Uruguay (e.g. Abitab, Red Pagos). 3. In Poland, we included the Cashless Poland programme to promote the use of payment terminals in localities where the use of digital media is low and the use of our associated Partners Outlets. In Chile we included Mas Lucas. 4. In some countries, we have basic bank accounts that go beyond regulation in order to serve the bottom of the pyramid. For example, the Cuenta Life in Chile or the no-fee account for vulnerable customers in Spain. 5. In several countries we have value propositions aimed at the elderly. For example, tailor-made products for retirees in Mexico and Argentina, services such as Here & Now in Portugal to help seniors with limited digital skills, or third-party access initiatives in the UK to support seniors who need to be cared for. 6. We have programmes in many countries to help people with debt problems. In Portugal, we have the Iris programme to help customers manage defaults. In the UK, we help vulnerable customers get out of arrears with self-service tools and direct financial assistance, and in Spain, we have financing programmes for vulnerable groups to relieve their mortgage debts. 7. In Spain, the bank participates in the Social Housing Fund, which facilitates renting for people on low income. It also has affordable rental housing. In the US, as part of its Inclusive Communities plan, Santander provides low-interest mortgages and mortgage insurance for low-income homebuyers. 8. We have initiatives to help groups with difficulties in accessing credit; among them, in Spain, we lend to SMEs at their risk limit; in the US, we lend to small businesses operating in low- and moderate-income communities; in Argentina, we lend to entrepreneurs with low credit histories. In Mexico, special credit programmes are offered to people at the bottom of the pyramid.



## Financial Inclusion & Community support

#### We support the communities where we operate by helping them address their social needs.

Contribution to education, employability and entrepreneurship, as well as to community development through support programs.

#### Main lines of action



# **Education** Scholarships



- 1,181 Agreements signed with universities, institutions and organizations in 14 countries A
  - Scholarships and courses for students with disabilities and other vulnerable groups



### **Entrepreneurship**

Santander X program

- A global initiative that provides access to training, advice and resources (including benefits) needed to launch, scale up and transform a business.
- We help entrepreneurs showcase the most impressive projects and connect with other businesses through Santander X 100



## **Employability**

Universia portal



The platform through which Santander guides and posts job offers for young graduates and students who are coming to the end of their studies. It uses artificial intelligence to help them draw up their professional profile and uses online tests to measure their skills



Santander X



## Corporate Governance | Our strengths

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
- In 2024 we continued to combine traditional and virtual channels in shareholder engagement, which enabled us to meet the needs of our approximately 3.5 million shareholders
- >> Transparency and simplification of remuneration with performance metrics aligned with the strategy, investors' interests and long-term sustainability
- Our policy on communication and engagement with shareholders and investors facilitates their participation in our corporate governance
- 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



## 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:



**Respect** for shareholders' rights



A balanced Board composition



Maximum transparency regarding remuneration



Be at the forefront of **best practices** and long-term vision



**Embedding ESG** in our decision-making processes



## Corporate Governance | **Board composition**

Our Board composition ensures Our board composition ensures the appropriate balance of knowledge, skills, qualifications, diversity and experience



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Directors appointed for a **3-year term** (1/3 of the Board is subject to re-election each year)

# Geographical diversity

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Nationalities: Europe, US, UK, LATAM and Other

# Independent Board members



4.76 average years on board

# Women part of the Board



Achievement of our female representation target (40-60%)



## Corporate Governance | Executive variable remuneration

# Aligned with our strategic goals

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

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

# Alignment with shareholder interests

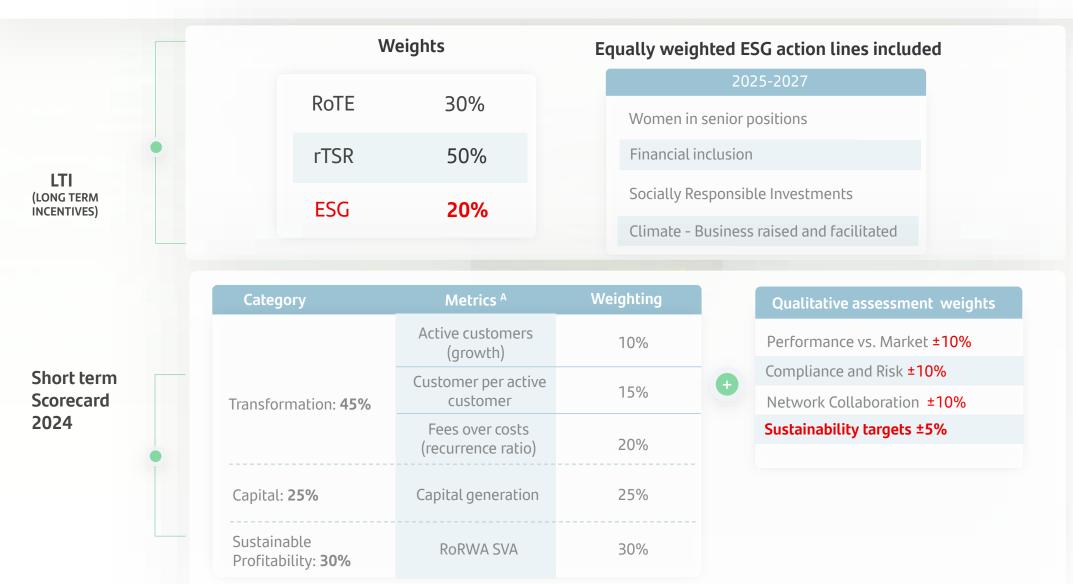
- 50% of all variable remuneration is in instruments (Banco Santander S.A. shares, and restricted stock units (RSUs) of PagoNxt, S.L.)
- Share retention policy: 3 years after delivery of shares, unless the director already holds 200% of their annual f ixed remuneration in shares
- 60% of variable remuneration is deferred over a 5-year period (and a part of it is subject to longterm metrics) with share-based payments subject to a one year holding period after vesting

# Alignment with regulatory requirements

Including malus and clawback policy



## Corporate Governance | **ESG in Reward**





Santander A. For this purpose, these metrics may be adjusted upwards or downwards by the board, following a proposal from the remuneration committee, when inorganic transactions, material changes to the Group's composition or size or other extraordinary circumstances (such as impairments, extraordinary impacts of macroeconomic environment, regulatory changes or restructuring processes) have occurred which affect the suitability of the metric and achievement scale established in each case and resulting in an impact not related to the performance of the executive directors and executives being evaluated



## External engagement & Recognition | Partnerships & initiatives

### Main sustainability initiatives where Santander is a member or participant:

**United Nations Global Compact:** United Nations Global Compact: We have been part of the Global Compact network since 2022 and a member of the gender equality program since 2020. We also took part in the 'sustainable suppliers' program.

UNEP Finance initiative: Santander has been a member of the United Nations Environment Program Finance Initiative since 1992 and a founding member of the Principles for Responsible Banking since its launch in 2019. A Santander representative co-chairs the global management committee and in 2024 took part in a review of the 2030 principles. We are also signatory, through Santander Asset Management and since 2008, in the Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI)

World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD). Having become a WBCSD member in 2015, in 2024 we took part in the Banking for Impact on Climate in Agriculture (B4ICA) initiative, the CFO Network, LEAP project, and other program.

**Equator Principles:** Voluntary framework for financial institutions to identify, assess and manage environmental and social risks when financing projects. We have been a signatory since 2009.

International Capital Markets Association (ICMA): ICMA Principles champion global green, social and sustainability bond (and related) markets to finance progress towards environmental and social sustainability. The Principles were established in 2014, and Santander has been a member since then.

International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB): Santander joined the IFRS Corporate Champions initiative at the end of 2024, with the aim of strengthening the positioning of the ISSB standards as the global standard for sustainability reporting.

Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD): The TCFD, which we support since 2017, has developed a framework to help public companies and other organizations more effectively disclose climate-related risks and opportunities through their existing reporting processes

Institute of International Finance (IIF): Grupo Santander's Executive Chair is the current IIF Chair and has sat on its board since 2014. The bank participates in several sustainability-related working groups, including the Sustainable Finance Policy Expert Group and the Sustainable Finance Data, Disclosure and Classification Expert Group

**European Banking Federation (EBF):** Santander is a member of several working groups, such as the ESG risk group, which a Santander director chairs; the Sustainable Finance Steering Committee; and the Chief Sustainability Officers Roundtable.

Association for Financial Markets in Europe (AFME): Santander is part of AFME's Sustainable Finance SteerCo. AFME works with members, policymakers and other stakeholders on a wide range of important priorities including sustainability disclosures, taxonomies, sustainable financing products, sustainability due diligence and carbon markets.



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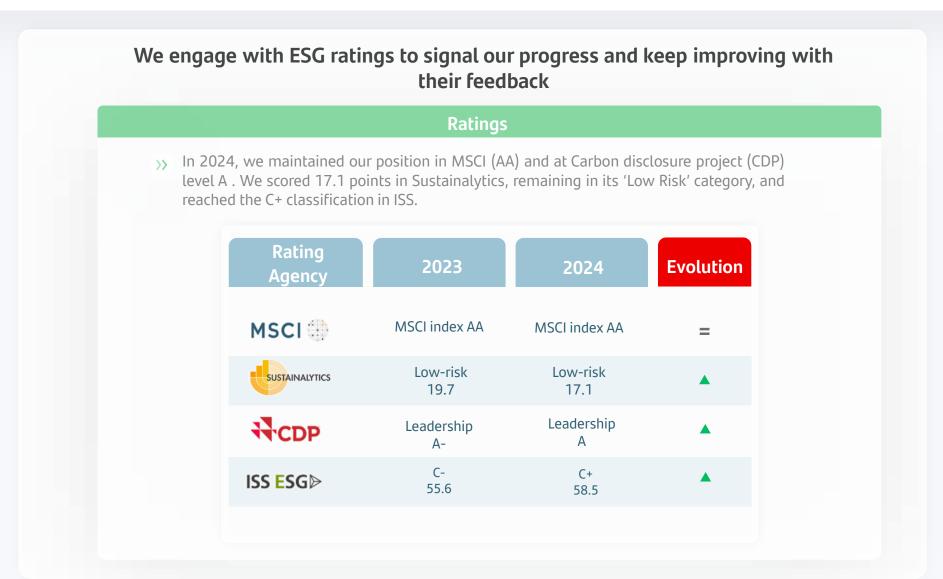






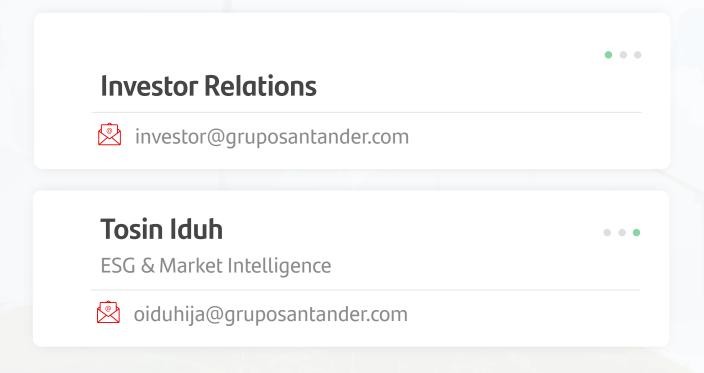


## External engagement & Recognition | ESG Ratings





# ESG in Investor Relations | Main contact details





## Transparency & Disclosure | Reports and additional information

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## Decarbonization Targets | Current exposure

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







We continue to work on enhancing climate information, methodologies and use cases. Our portfolios continue to show less vulnerability to physical risk, given the concentration in low-risk locations



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

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