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## EuDA Annual Conference Sustainability at ABN AMRO

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#### Agenda

Regulatory landscape of sustainability

Sustainability at ABN AMRO

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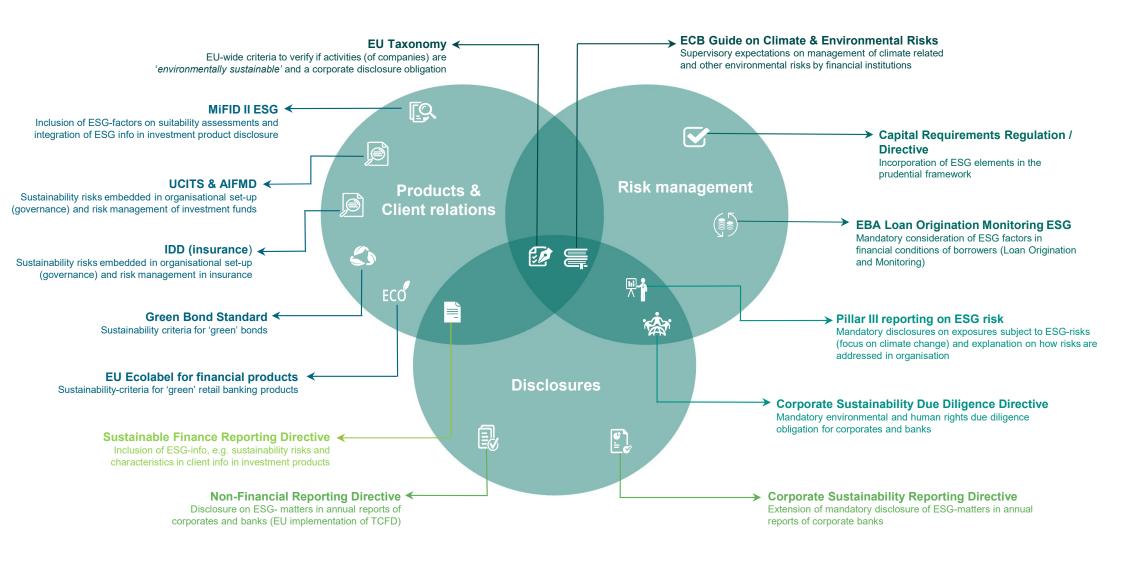
Sustainability Risk Framework



## Regulatory landscape of sustainability



### **Regulatory landscape on sustainability**



# Engagement with counterparties on transition plans is an accelerating area

#### Both regulators and supervisors require banks to have solid transition plans in place

eba European Banking Authority EBA (2024). Consultation paper: Draft guidelines on the management of ESG risks (link)

- **Gather comprehensive data** on ESG risks, including counterparties' sustainability profiles and transition plans
- Engage with counterparties aiming at improving their ESG risk profile, in particular by asking for and **assessing the soundness** of at least large corporate counter parties' transition plans



ECB (2022). Good practices for climate related and environmental risk management: Observations from the 2022 thematic review (link)

- **Take counterparty-specific actions** for clients that are not aligned with the institution's portfolio trajectory
- Consider the level of advancement of clients' transition plans when determining whether a client is misaligned with its portfolio trajectory
- Enter into a dialogue with the relevant client to steer the client, if it is misaligned
- Have procedures in place to outright reduce the exposure to the client or terminate renewable contracts, if the dialogue is not successful

#### Voluntary initiatives and guidelines are developing....



# 2 Sustainability at ABN AMRO



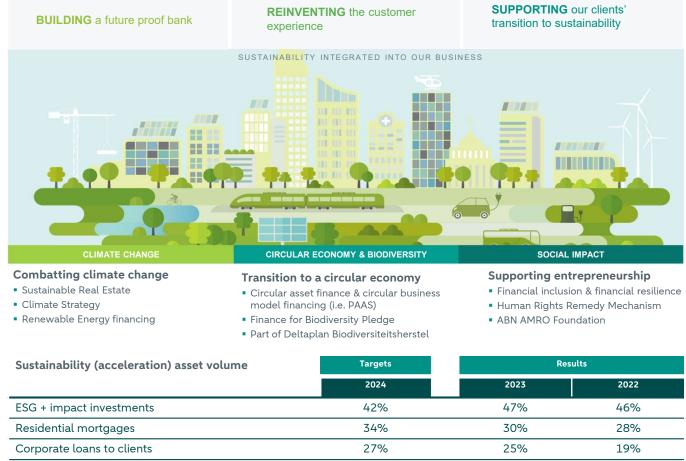
## Sustainability, at the core of ABN AMRO's purpose

Selection of external commitments PCAF Protection Accounting FINANCE **UNEP**INITIATIVE PRI Principles for Responsible Investment Finance for Biodiversity **EQUATOR** PRINCIPLES POSEIDON PRINCIPLES **Our ESG ratings** Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment S&P Global 68/100 // Within 20% industry leader Carbon Disclosure Project B // Rating from A to D-Sustainalytics ESG Risk Rating



SUSTAINALYTICS 21.4 // Rating from 0 to 100

Total



36%

31%

34%

# Our ambition: Aligning our portfolio and operations with a net-zero trajectory

Following its commitment with NZBA – Net Zero Banking Alliance

In December 2022, ABN Amro published its climate strategy...

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#### ...which is built on three strategic pillars

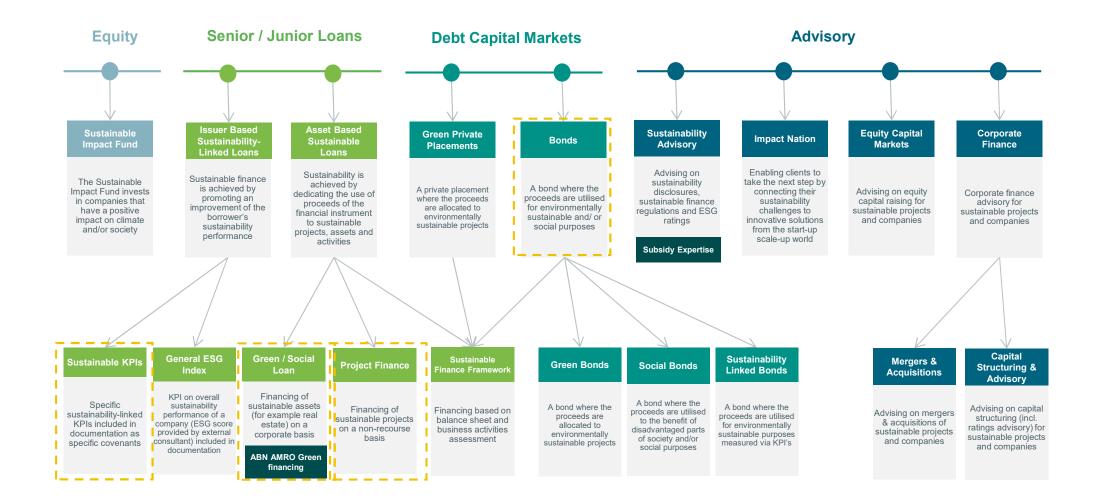
Aligning our portfolio and operations with a net zero trajectory

Engaging with clients to support them in their low-carbon transition



		Gross carrying amount (MEUR)	% of total loans	Metrics	Baseline year value	Performance 2023	e 2030 target	2030 reduction vs 2023 performance
ſ	Residential Mortgages	150,799	~59% of total loans and advances	Physical intensity: kgCO2/m2	27.6 (2021)	24.8	18.3	-26%
<b></b>	Commercial Real Estate <sup>2</sup>	12,540	~5% of total loans and advances ~14% of corporate loans	Physical intensity: kgCO₂/m²	66.7 (2021)	61.5	35.7	-42%
4	Power Generation	1,259	<1% of total loans and advances ~1% of corporate loans	Convergence target: kgCO2/MWh	17.6 (2021)	15.6 <sup>s</sup>	< 188 kg CO <sub>2</sub> /MWh	
	Oil and Gas Upstream	377	<1% of total loans and advances <1% of corporate loans	Absolute committed financing (EUR (€))	EUR 1,300 million4 (2021)	EUR 1,089 million4	EUR 1,000 million4	-8%
<b>£</b>	Shipping	3,580³	~1% of total loans and advances ~4% of corporate loans	Alignment delta (%) (based on AER in gCO <sub>2</sub> /DWT nautical miles)	2.6% (2021)	7% <sup>5</sup>	0%	Target is to be fully aligned with IMO 4 trajectory
<u>_</u>	Inland Shipping	254	<1% of total loans and advances <1% of corporate loans	Physical intensity: gCO₂e/tkm	25.8 (2023)	25.8	18.3	-29%
*	Agriculture	3,920	~2% of total loans and advances ~5% of corporate loans	Absolute financed mtCO₂e	2.0 (2022)	1.7	1.4	-19%

### **Our Sustainable Product Offering**



#### **EU Taxonomy**

- 2024 will be the 4<sup>th</sup> reporting year for ABN AMRO
- Reporting is done on both, activity and entity level
- Currently, reporting only on clients subject to NFRD
- EU Taxonomy aligned projects are still the minority
- Expectation of **sharp increase** on alignment reporting next year
- Most projects related to Transport and Energy

### EU taxonomy

#### **Green Asset Ratio**

ABN AMRO is reporting on the EU Taxonomy for the third year now. The EU Taxonomy Regulation entails a classification system establishing a list of activities that can be considered environmentally sustainable. The objective of the taxonomy disclosures is to determine what portion of the bank's portfolio is taxonomyaligned. This means that the activities concerned are considered sustainable. The ratio of environmentally sustainable assets to the covered assets is the Green Asset Ratio (GAR).

EU Taxonomy reporting is done both on an entity level and an activity level. In the case of generic-purpose financing, eligibility and alignment is determined on an entity level. This is relevant for financial and nonfinancial undertakings. Under this method, reporting on the EU Taxonomy is based on the information reported by our clients in their annual reports. This data is collected and consolidated in the tables below. In the case of specific-purpose financing, eligibility and alignment are determined through the use of

#### Eligibility

In its Annual Report 2022, ABN AI first time on the eligibility of our N percentages reported in their ann of households, eligibility was dete to the three products in scope. Fo year's disclosures on eligibility ha to include information on taxonor information is provided for two er – climate change mitigation and be extended in next year's annual four additional objectives.

#### This year's approach

The approach to reporting on the significantly different this year collocause mandatory templates can a Climate Change Adaptation multiple tables, including a sumnof which saset Ratio; the Covered Assets transmission of which taxonomy per NACE sector; eligibility and al

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and denominator						
Credit institutions	6,706	1,429				
- of which Loans and advances	1,650	226				
- of which Debt securities including UoP	5,052	1,203				
- of which Equity instruments	4	311				
Other financial undertakings	3,057		23	21		
- of which investment firms	1					
- of which Loans and advances	1					
- of which insurance undertakings	113	5	23 23	13		
- of which Loans and advances	113	5		13		
- of which other <sup>1</sup>	2,942	306 293		8 8		
- of which Loans and advances	2,823					
- of which Debt securities including UoP	119	14				
Financial undertakings	9,763	1,740	24	21		
NFCs subject to NFRD disclosure obligations						
Loans and advances	3,287	488	173	1	1	
Equity instruments	46					
Non-Financial undertakings	3,333	488	173	1	1	

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# Sustainability Risk Framework



### ABN AMRO's Sustainability Risk standard

#### **Processes**



Bank wide



#### Sector specific (only applies to Lending Services)



# 10 Generic Principles apply in our assessment of corporate clients

Generic Principles relate to the following topics:



1. Business Conduct



2. Human Rights

an 3. Stakeholders



4. GHG Emissions

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5. NetZero Economy

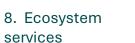
ESG topics we cover to assess our clients on sustainability risks in the respective sector



6. Physical climate risk



7. Biodiversity, Air, Water, Soil





9. Circularity



10. Track record

### Due Diligence on our clients



Creating insights into our client's ESG-performance



Enabling our bankers to have **Strategic Conversation** 

Compliance with new **Policy requirements** 



"Banking for **better** for **Generations** to come"

## **Climate Plan Alignment of clients**

Following its commitment with NZBA - Net Zero Banking Alliance





Aligning our portfolio and operations with a net zero trajectory



Engaging with clients to support them in their low-carbon transition





Ensure climate plan alignment of portfolios

Steer portfolios on net-zero strategy



Compliance with our net-zero commitment

Benchmark portfolios against international standards



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#### **Equator Principles Context**

The **Equator Principles (EP)** are a ESG due diligence standard, and a sustainability risk management framework adopted by financial institutions, for assessing and managing environmental and social risk in projects.

It is primarily intended to provide a minimum standard for due diligence and monitoring to support responsible risk decision-making.

As a bank ABN AMRO is one of the founding members and a signatory to Equator Principles for many years already. **Under our commitment, we are obliged to:** 

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Apply the standards to the financial products in scope of the Equator Principles when supporting a new project.

Annually disclose information on the deals that were in scope of EP and reached financial close. We have to publicly disclose in our own annual report and to the Equator Principles website.

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