# We are full of green energy



# **ESG strategy** Bank Ochrony Środowiska S.A.

# ESG strategy in line with the business strategy assumptions

#### **BUSINESS STRATEGY**

#### WE ARE FULL OF GREEN ENERGY

- HISSION: Innovative and effective support for green transformation
- 🕷 VISION: Comprehensive financing of green transformation by offering unique products, dedicated experts and a variety of financial instruments

Business strategy commitments included in the ESG strategy

#### **Ecology and climate**



Continuation of the development of competencies in the field of ecology and emission-reducing technologies



Offering green transformation and taxonomy consulting services to clients



Financing pro-ecological projects and green transformation

#### **Social activities**

- Continuation of the
  - implementation of pro-social programmes, primarily through the Foundation's activities



- Increasing employee engagement by creating a
- friendly work environment in line with our values and principles



Environmental education of customers

#### **Organisational culture**



Cultural change of the organisation - increasing employee involvement and development of their competencies Introducing a new working



model - agile and hybrid



Risk management related to the area of business ethics



# Framework of the BOŚ strategy

The strategy is presented from the perspective of internal and external impacts divided into three pillars.



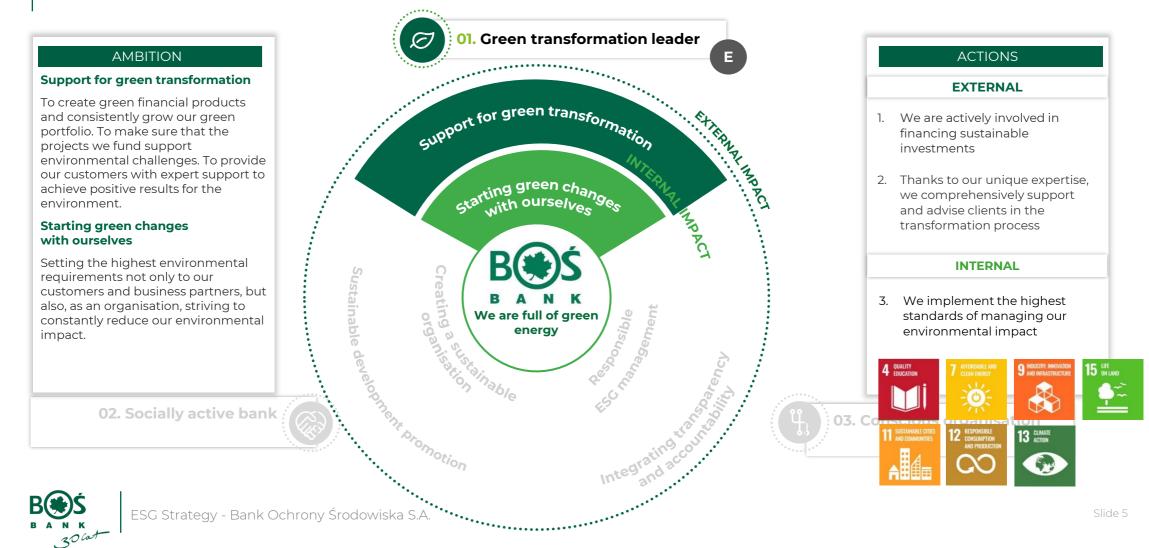
# Activities and performance indicators for the implementation of the strategy



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# Framework of the BOŚ strategy

Pillar: Green transformation leader





#### Green transformation leader

**PURPOSE: Support for green** transformation

#### **EXTERNAL ACTIONS**



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## ACTION

#### 1. We are actively involved in financing sustainable investments

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- By 2023, increasing the share of green assets in the loan portfolio to 50% ٦.
- 2. No new financing for thermal coal mining and new coal-fired units, in line with the Climate Policy of BOŚ S.A.

#### ACTIVITIES

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VITIES	KPI
Achieving the objectives of the EU taxonomy i.e. increasing the engagement and increase of the financing portfolio for sustainable environmental objectives	<ul> <li>Introduction of the EU Taxonomy in line with the regulatory timetable</li> </ul>
Supporting the economy towards green transformation Focusing on 4 priority sectors: power engineering (among others through financing RES and investments using gas as a transitional fuel), construction, industry, transport and logistics	<ul> <li>Implementation of the environmental and climate policy in 2022</li> <li>Calculation and announcement of the plan to reduce the emission intensity of the loan portfolio in 2023</li> </ul>
Cooperation in the field of financing pro- ecological innovative projects	<ul> <li>Development of a financing model in 2021</li> </ul>

- Mitigation of and adaptation to climate change
- Regulatory changes at regional and global level
- Protection of the environment and natural resources







Green transformation leader

PURPOSE: Support for green transformation

#### **EXTERNAL ACTIONS**

#### **INTERNAL ACTIONS**

ACTION

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2. Thanks to our unique expertise, we comprehensively support and advise clients in the transformation process



Increase in the sales volume of sustainable products by PLN 400 million in 2022

KPI

#### **ACTIVITIES**

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<b>8</b>	<b>Development of commercial ecological</b> <b>products -</b> particularly those ensuring the achievement of the environmental objectives defined by the EU Taxonomy	•	Analysis of the portfolio of pro- ecological products in 2022
,	<b>Use of public programmes</b> including those financed from the EU funds in order to increase the share of environmental projects in the Bank's portfolio	•	Doubling the sale of loans to SMEs with a subsidy/bonus in 2023
	Supporting transactions by Environmental Engineers	•	Providing environmental engineer's expertise in each business centre
<u></u>	Advising clients on green transformation processes	•	Developing an advisory model in 2021
ଟ	Promotion of pro-ecological products	•	Creating a marketing communication standard including elements of ecological education in 2022

- Protection of the environment and natural resources
- Regulatory changes at the regional and global level
- Building cross-sector coalitions and establishing market dialogues





Green transformation leader

**PURPOSE: Starting green changes** with ourselves

#### **INTERNAL ACTIONS**



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3. We implement the highest standards of managing our environmental impact



By the end of 2023, reduction of carbon footprint by 20% as compared to 2020 1.

KPI

• Analysis of the feasibility of

implementing an environmental management system in 2022

2. 100% electricity from RES from 2022

#### **ACTIVITIES**



Regula environ

r reporting and evaluation of	
nmental objectives	

- Climate change mitigation
- Protection of the environment and natural resources



	<ul> <li>Introduction of a waste management system that includes hazardous waste, paper and plastic management by 2023</li> </ul>
Aspiration to Climate neutrality	<ul> <li>30% of hybrid or electric vehicles in the Bank's fleet by the end of 2023</li> <li>Reaching climate neutrality in 2030</li> </ul>
Conducting activities aimed at <b>improving</b> energy efficiency and reducing utility consumption	<ul> <li>Establishing environmental standards for local branches in 2023</li> <li>75% share of energy-efficient light sources from 2023</li> </ul>



# Framework of the BOS strategy

Pillar: Socially active bank

#### AMBITION

#### Sustainable development promotion

To invest in the education and development of our clients, ensuring their access to relevant knowledge and expertise. To conduct activities for the benefit of society with a view to making a positive impact not only on customers, but also on those in need. To carry out a number of important social activities through programmes of the BOŚ Foundation.

#### Creating a sustainable organisation

We do not forget about the development of our employees, but create a dynamic workplace in a bank with a mission. Our employees have an opportunity to develop permanently and sustainably.

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Socially active bank

**PURPOSE: Sustainable development** promotion

#### **EXTERNAL ACTIONS**





ACTION

1. We accomplish our mission through ongoing education that supports sustainable economic development



1. Creating an educational platform supporting the development of green projects along with a market guide on the principles of sustainable finance in 2022

#### ACT

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8	Educational activities, participation in market dialogue on sustainable finance	•	The annual BOŚ conference
	Involvement in international partnerships and initiatives (including UNGC)	•	Accession to UNGC in 2021 Joining the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) in 2021, which brings together companies striving for climate neutrality
	Implementation of the "BOŚ is full of green energy" initiative – (publications, conferences, initiatives involving partners in the regions, workshops, other educational activities)	•	Launching the initiative in 2022



- Mitigation and adaptation to climate change Environmental education
- Extensive cooperation for sustainable development



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Socially active bank

PURPOSE: Sustainable development promotion

#### **EXTERNAL ACTIONS**

#### **INTERNAL ACTIONS**

O The challenges we address:

Environmental education

Crisis situations, including the effects

Social dialogue

of climate change





ACTION

2. We are a responsible and committed partner of important social activities



1. Publication and implementation of the policy of building relations with the social environment and minimising the negative impact on society in 2022

ACTIVITIES	КРІ
Involvement in social and charity projects	<ul> <li>Increasing the number of the Foundation's programmes by at least 2 per year</li> </ul>
Involvement in national partnerships, bringing together socially responsible companies	<ul> <li>Joining at least one organisation in 2022</li> </ul>
Building relationships with the social environment	• Developing policy of building relations with the social environment and minimising the negative impact on society in 2022



Socially active bank

#### **PURPOSE: Creating a sustainable** organisation

#### **INTERNAL ACTIONS**





3. We care about our employees and create an engaging workplace with clear employment policies that support diversity



- Increasing employee engagement rate to 58% by 2023 1
- 2. By 2023, increasing the index of positive perception of BOS as a brand among employees by 8 pps

#### **ACTIVITIES**



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#### KPI



Supporting education and development of employees through training and development activities	<ul> <li>Implementation of development programmes in 2022: for managers and for bank employees</li> <li>Implementation of a programme in 2022 to share knowledge within the organisation</li> </ul>
Training and internal communication on ESG	<ul> <li>Implementation of ESG education programme for all employees from 2022</li> </ul>
Implementation of well-being initiatives	<ul> <li>Implementation of at least one well- being initiative per quarter, starting in 2022</li> <li>Conducting an employee needs survey once a year</li> </ul>
Development of volunteering activities for employees	<ul> <li>Increasing the involvement of Bank's employees in volunteering</li> </ul>
Improving the image of BOS as an employer	<ul> <li>Employer branding activities promoting BOS as an employer</li> </ul>
Verification of remuneration mechanisms	Annual salary review

Implementation of diversity policy in

the Bank from 2022

Care about human rights and diversity from an employee perspective

- Structural changes on the labour market
- New approach to work and leisure activities
- Civilisation diseases
- Generational change and diversity





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Pillar: Conscious organisation

#### AMBITION

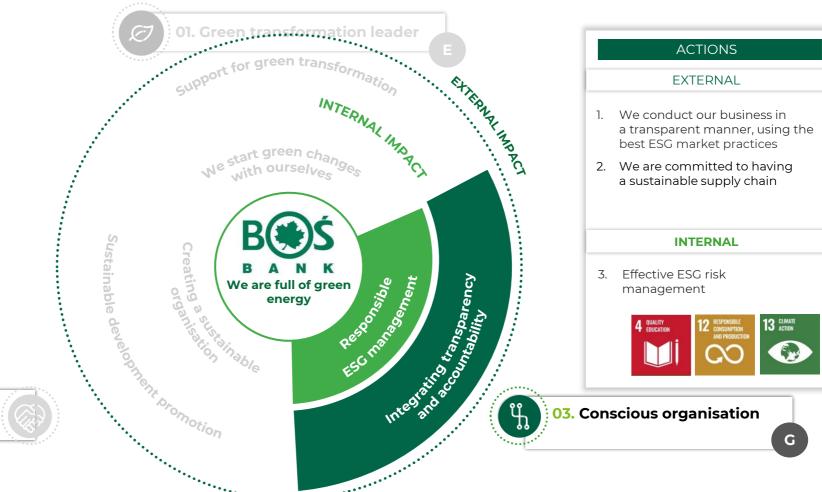
## Integrating transparency and accountability

To improve transparency practices and effectively adapt to new regulations. We are open to an external ESG assessment and we want to improve our ESG rating in the coming years.

#### Responsible ESG management

Taking into account the dynamics of changes in the environment in which we operate, we provide the best solutions in the field of risk management, and constantly improve our internal solutions that support sustainable development.









**Conscious organisation** 

#### **PURPOSE: Integrating transparency** and accountability

**EXTERNAL ACTIONS** 

O The challenges we address:

Growing awareness of the

importance of ESG factors

Regulatory changes at the regional and



## ACTION

1. We conduct our business in a transparent manner, using the best ESG market practices

- Obtaining an ESG rating in 2021 KPI ٦.
  - 2. ESG rating improvement in 2022, 2023

#### ACT



ACTIVITIES	КРІ
Increasing transparency on disclosures	<ul> <li>Publication of policies and regulations on ESG issues on the bank's website in 2021</li> </ul>
Reporting according to GRI standards	<ul> <li>Publication of the ESG report once a year</li> </ul>
Disclosures in accordance with TCFD guidelines and best market practices	• Implementing the disclosures in the 2023 ESG report



global level





**Conscious organisation** 

#### **PURPOSE:** Integrating transparency and accountability

**EXTERNAL ACTIONS** 





#### 2. We are committed to having a sustainable value chain

- 1. 100% of new suppliers covered by the sustainable purchasing policy from 2022 KPI
  - 2. 100% of new contracts for institutional clients with a human rights clause from 2022

#### ACTI



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	Application of ESG standards for suppliers	<ul> <li>Implementation of ESG contractual clauses for new suppliers from 2021</li> </ul>
0	<b>Building a sustainable supply chain</b> by monitoring and applying rules to exclude suppliers that do not meet the bank's ESG requirements	<ul> <li>Implementing an ESG-inclusive purchasing policy in 2021</li> </ul>
	Application of ESG standards for clients	<ul> <li>Introduction of human rights clauses to contracts for institutional clients in 2022</li> </ul>



- Regulatory changes at the regional and global level
- Growing awareness of the importance of ESG factors









**Conscious organisation** 

**PURPOSE: Integrating transparency** and accountability

#### **INTERNAL ACTIONS**

O The challenges we address:





#### 3. Effective ESG risk management



1. 100% of new transactions with institutional clients covered by ESG risk assessment from 2023

KPI

• Improving the procedures to

#### **ACTIVITIES**



Review of the Bank's risk management

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- Growing impact of ESG risks, including climate risk
- Regulatory changes at the regional and global level



system with regard to ESG risks	<ul> <li>enable environmentally sustainable lending in line with the EBA's 2021 Guidelines</li> <li>Adapting the IT infrastructure and data structure to support ESG risk management in 2023</li> </ul>
Assessment of clients in terms of ESG risks	<ul> <li>Implementing the methodology and tools to support the process in 2022</li> </ul>
Portfolio assessment taking into account ESG risks	• Expanding the ESG inclusion in risk appetite and creating portfolio assessment methodologies and tools in 2023







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