



How BANFONDESA became the first MFI in Dominican Republic to issue Sustainability Bond listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange



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12:30-2:00 PM

Knowledge Sharing Event



Agenda

1. Welcome & Introduction by InFiNe
2. **BANFONDESA** Presentation
3. **EIB** Presentation
4. **Frankfurt School** Presentation
5. **GGGI** Presentation
6. **Dominican Republic Stock Exchange** Presentation
7. Feedback Survey
8. Upcoming Events Calendar

Welcome & Introduction



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Executive Director



Today's Speakers



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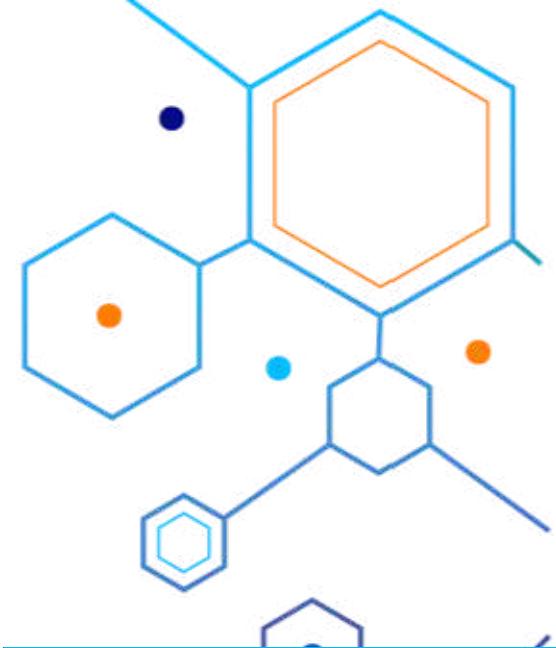


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Ivan Carvajal
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InFiNeKnowledge Sharing Event

Catalyzing Sustainable Finance (GGGI & EIB)

BANFONDESA's Journey of Inclusion and Sustainable Finance

January 21, 2026

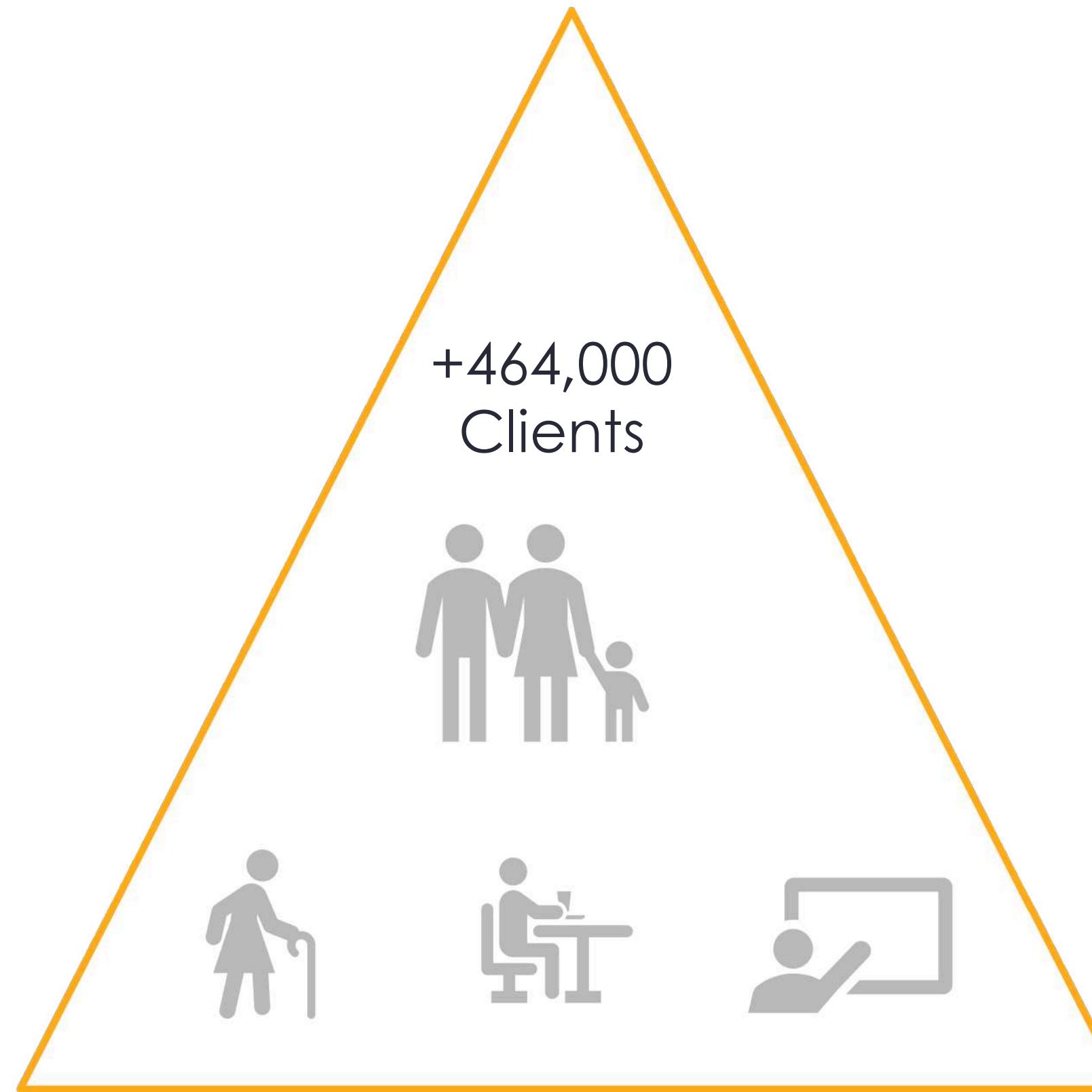




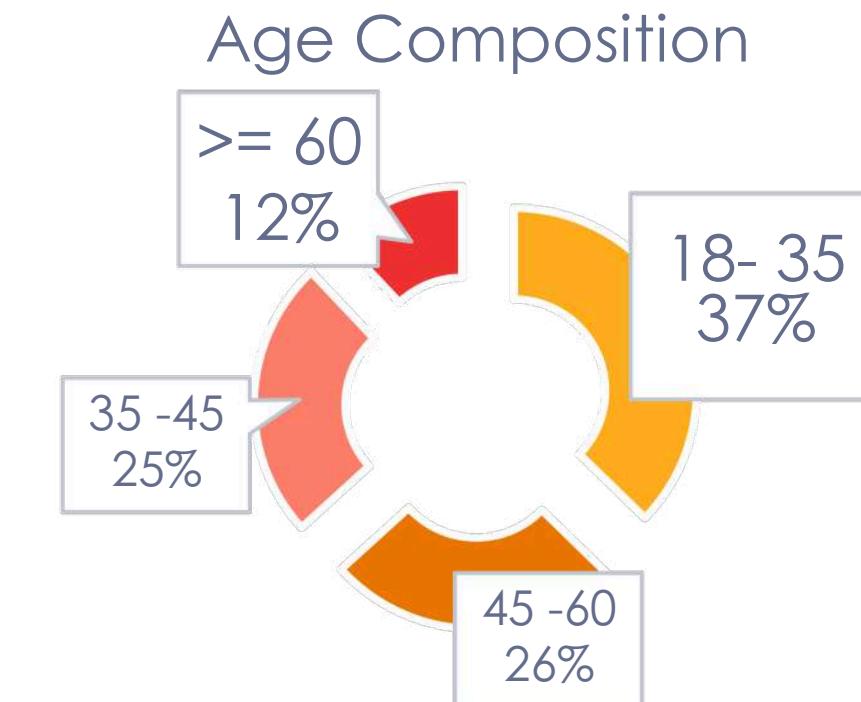
BANFONDESA Announces Bond Issuance to Strengthen Inclusive Finance



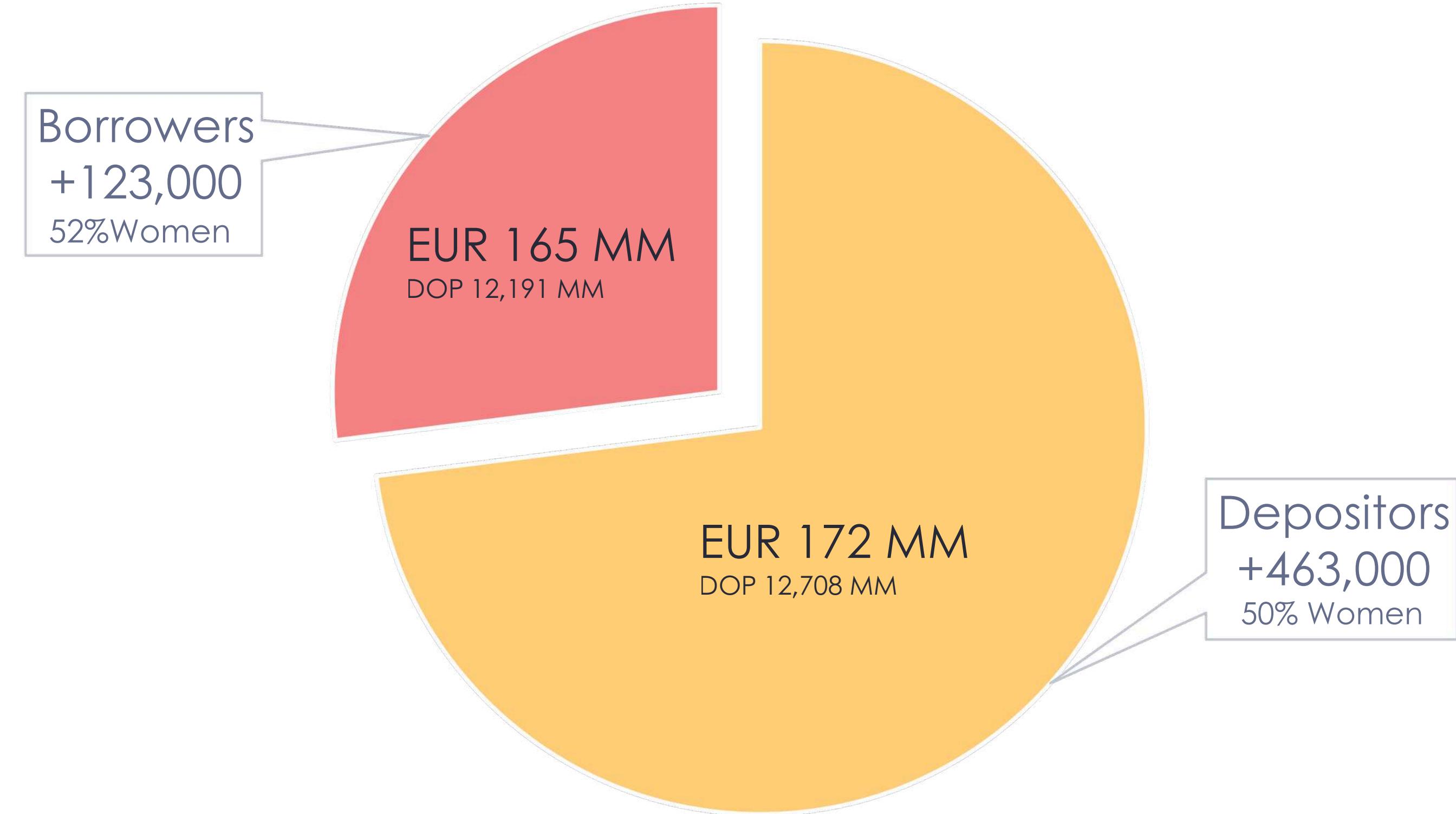
BANFONDESA Financial Highlights



□ 77% with monthly income < EUR1,000



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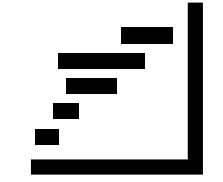


Strong financial metrics



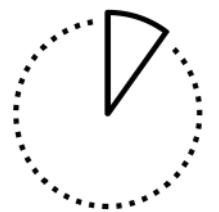
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20.4%



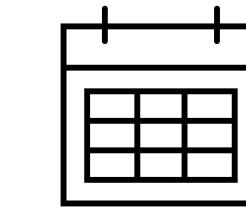
ROA

3.6%



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1.7%



NPL

2.6%

Mission, Vision & Values

OUR MISSION

Promote financial inclusion and sustainable development by providing accessible, responsible, and high-quality financial services to low-income families, rural communities, and micro-entrepreneurs

OUR VISION

Lead the inclusive and sustainable financial services market in the Dominican Republic, recognized for strengthening livelihoods, promoting gender equity, and driving climate-resilient economic growth.

OUR VALUES

Teamwork

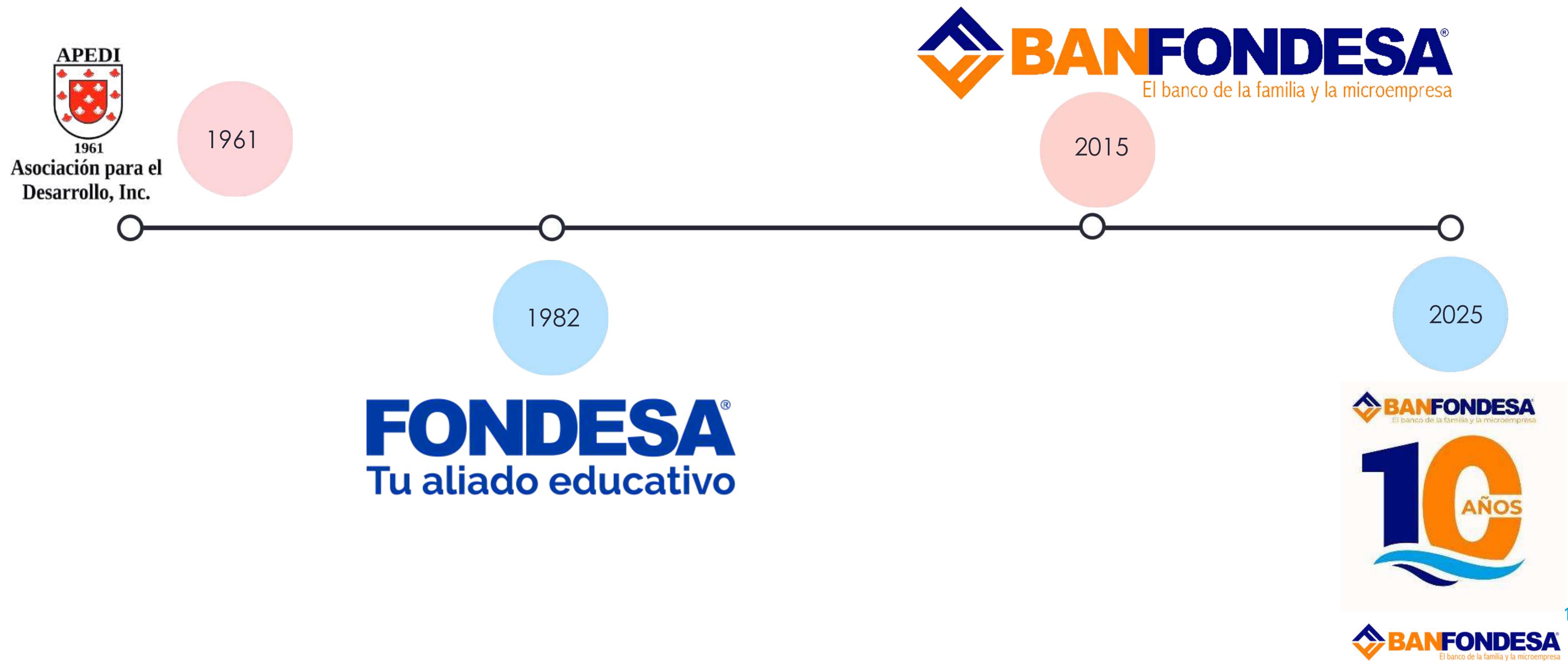
Social Responsibility to our Communities

Integrity

Commitment

Customer Focus

History of BANFONDESA



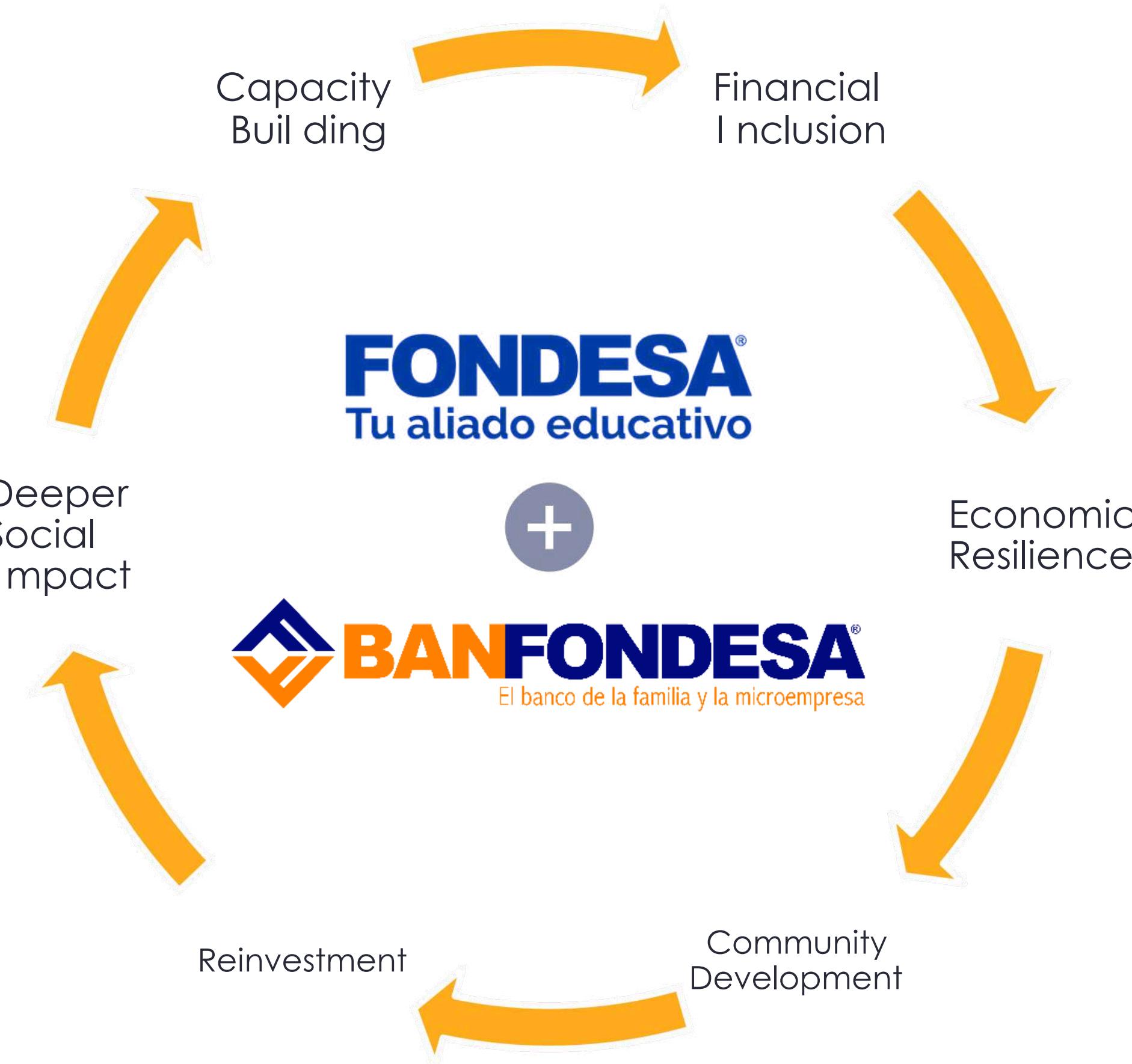
Wings of the Same Flight



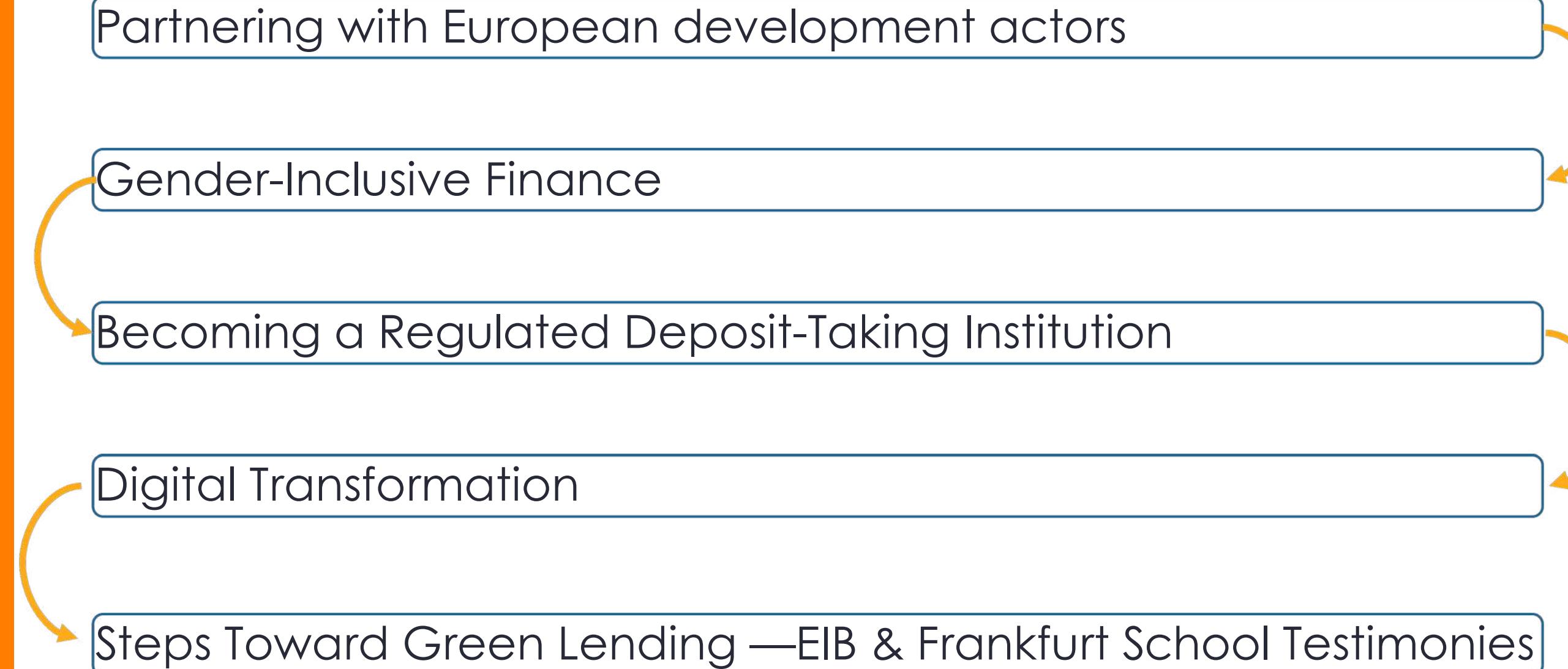
- ❑ BANFONDESA + FONDESA jointly drive financial, social, and environmental sustainability for stakeholders across the country.
Profit-to-impact engine: RD\$66 out of every RD\$100 in
- ❑ BANFONDESA profits is transferred to FONDESA to fund SDG-aligned programs—prioritizing SDG 4 (Quality Education).

- ❑ Concessional education finance: Student loans and education funding at concessional rates
- ❑ Inclusive pathways: Initiatives to strengthen microenterprises and catalyze urban and rural entrepreneurship.

The Virtuous Circle of Development



Key Milestones in BANFONDESA's Evolution



EIB GLO – Banco de Ahorro y Credito BANFONDESA

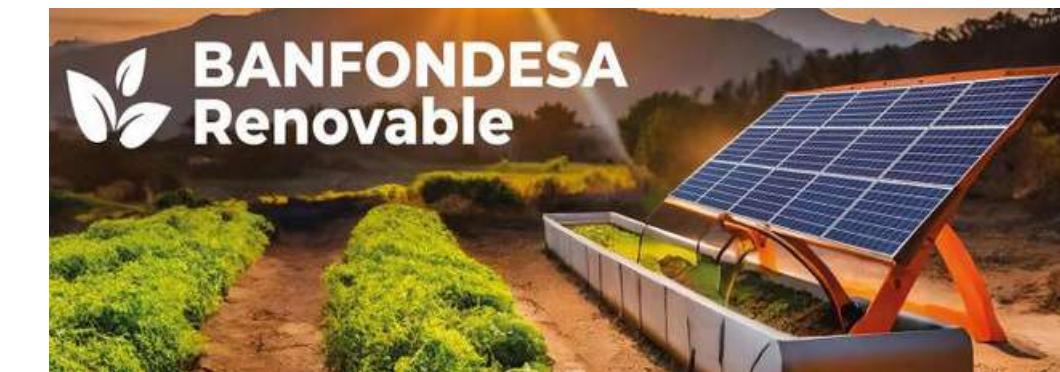
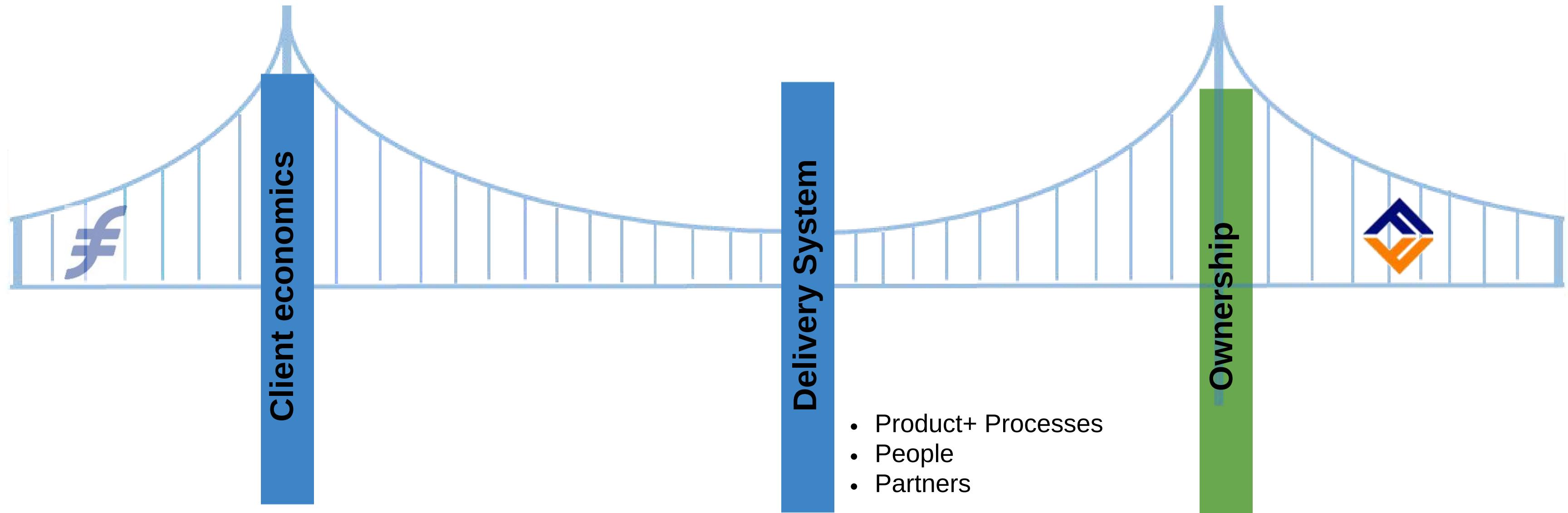
- EIB Global has been financing the three largest microfinance providers in the Dominican Republic for almost 20 years (Banfondesa since 2008) and claims a systemic impact on the country`s microfinance market. EIB LCY lending to Banfondesa:
 - 2008 – EUR 3.5m -
 - 2011 – EUR 3.5m
 - 2018 – EUR 5m – gender requirement
 - 2022 – EUR 10m – gender requirement
- 2018 5-yr EIB Regional Technical Assistance Facility
 - Technical assistance to increase Banfondesa`s capacity to finance their clients`renewable energy and energy efficiency projects (green lending product)
 - Facility was implemented by Frankfurt School

Technical Assistance is the bridge between
Banfondesa **wanting** to do green finance and **being able** to do it.



for clients, its staff and ultimately the market

Technical Assistance as the Bridge to Scale





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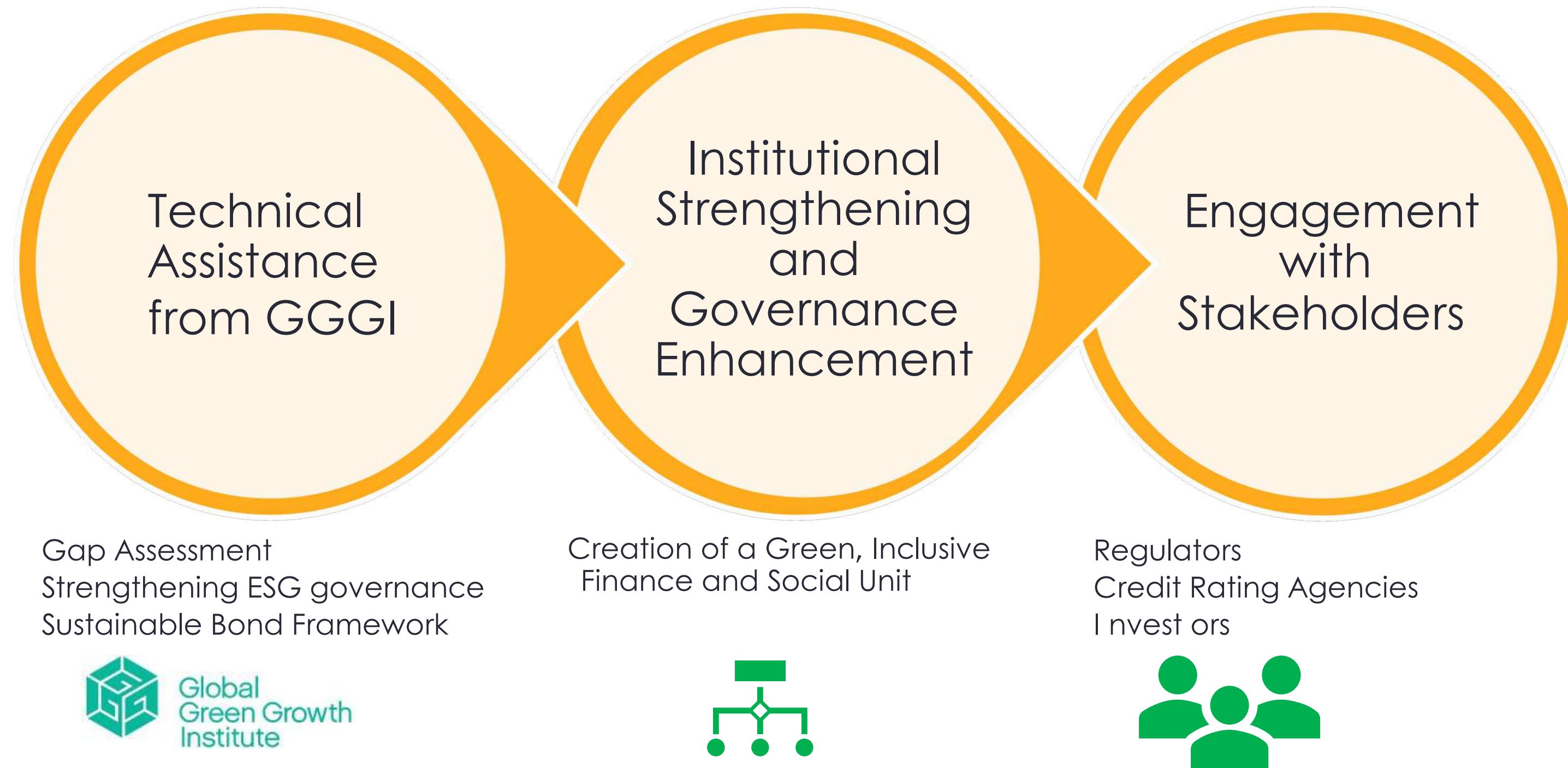
From Vulnerability to Opportunity: Sustainable Bond

Why? 

- High climate vulnerability:
Droughts, hurricanes, earthquakes and rising energy costs.
- MSME modernization : In the Dominican Republic 98% of businesses are MSME's.
- Sustainable Bond as a catalyst



Journey to Issuance: Sustainable Bond



GGGI support to BANFONDESA

Technical assistance for the issuance of thematic bonds

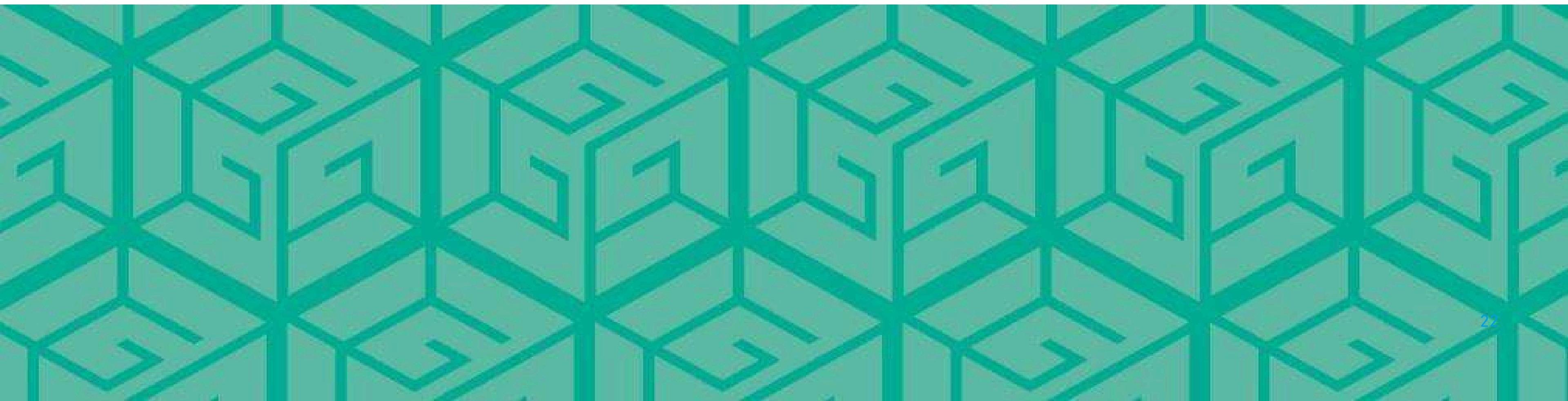
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GGGI's Support to the Dominican Thematic Bond Market

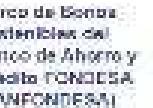


In 2023, GGGI launched a national-level program, in coordination with the Association of Multiple Banks of the Dominican Republic (ABA). Through a competitive selection process, GGGI selected three financial institutions to build institutional capacity and support thematic bond issuances in the Dominican financial sector. Prior to the call, BANFONDESA was encouraged by the European Investment Bank (EIB) to apply to the program. BANFONDESA was subsequently selected as one of the participating institutions, given its focus in microfinance and sustainability strategy. Following the national selection phase, GGGI provided in-depth technical assistance to BANFONDESA, supporting the institution from sustainable bond framework design to the successful issuance of its sustainable bond in September 2025. **This end-to-end support culminated in the issuance of the first sustainable bond by a Dominican financial institution.**



GGGI's Technical Assistance



Technical Assistance Details		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided capacity-building for BANFONDESA teams on thematic bond issuance. Technical assistance on designing and structuring of BANFONDESA's Sustainable Bond Framework. Support during the Second-Party Opinion (SPO) process. Advisory support throughout the issuance process, from pre-issuance preparation to engagement with the regulator. 	<p>Framework developed with technical assistance of:</p>  <p>Second-Party Opinion:</p>  <p>Brokers and structuring:</p> 	 
Key Transaction Details		Sustainable Bond Framework

First sustainable bond from a Dominican financial institution

Date	09/10/2025
Issuer Rating	A Feller Rate Sustainable Bond (local capital market)
Instrument	
Size	RD\$250 million (~USD 4 million)
Tenor	5 years
Coupon	10% fixed

Green categories	Social categories
1. Renewable Energy 3. Clean Transportation 5. Sustainable Agriculture	2. Energy Efficiency 4. Pollution prevention and control 6. Sustainable Water/Wastewater Management
7. Sustainable management of living natural resources and land use	1. Support for MSMEs 2. Socioeconomic advancement and empowerment of women
	3. Access to Essential Services



GGGI support to BANFONDESA - Main Results



1
Sustainable Bond Framework developed and SPO obtained



~\$8 million
USD approved issuance by local regulator

+400
Trained BANFONDESA employees

~\$4 million
USD issued in the local market

Marco de Bonos Sostenibles del Banco de Ahorro y Crédito FONDESA (BANFONDESA)



Critical Success Factors

- Strong commitment from BANFONDESA's management.
- Active involvement of Finance, Treasury, Risk and Business Units.
- Dedicated internal focal point for the bond issuance.
- Built on existing institutional capacities developed by EIB.
- Weekly progress meetings with clear milestones.
- Early engagement with regulators.





Thank you



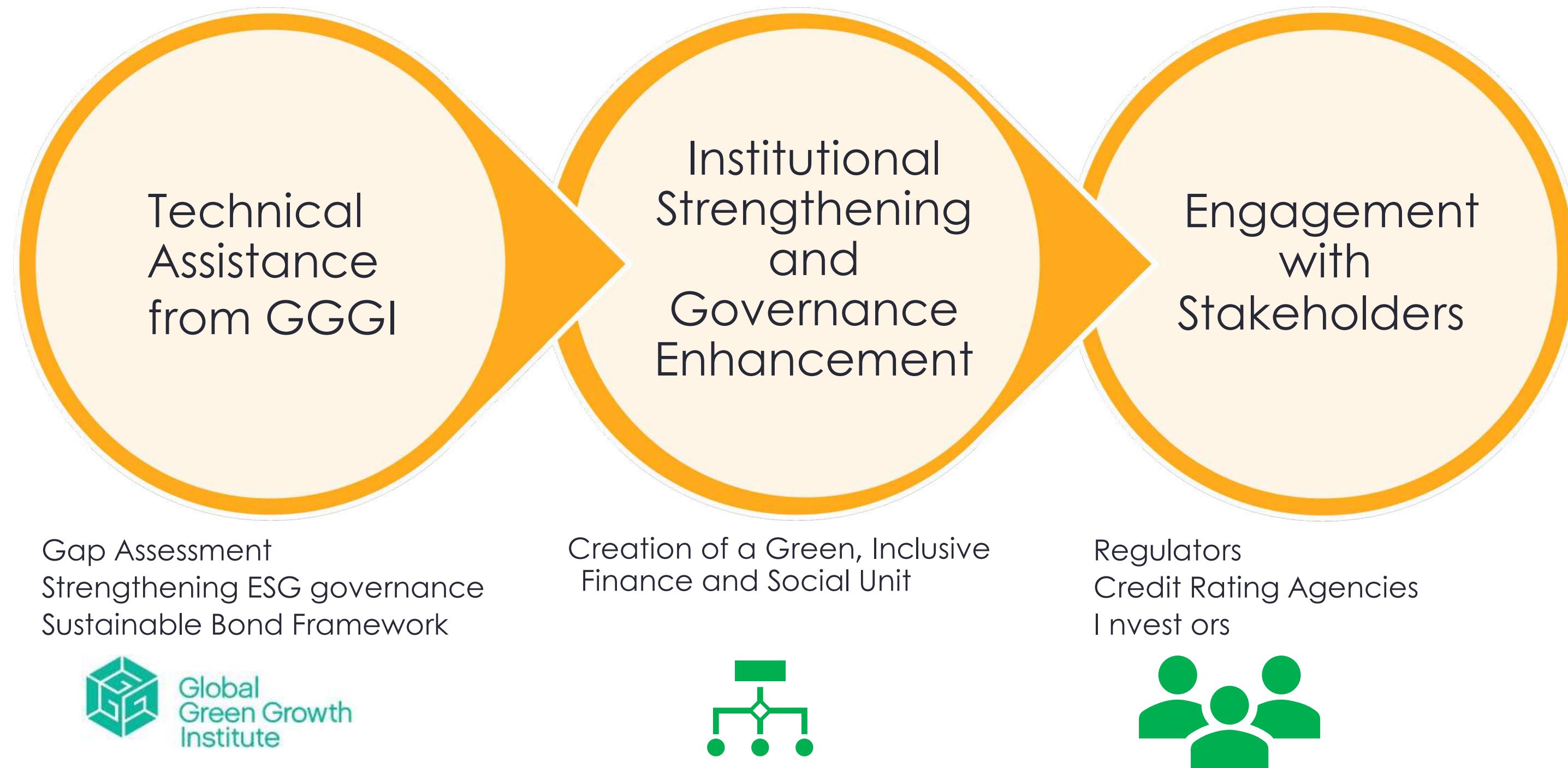
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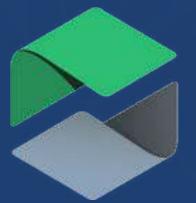


Journey to Issuance: Sustainable Bond



HOW BANFONDESA BECAME THE FIRST MFI IN DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

TO ISSUE SUSTAINABILITY BOND



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Dominican Republic readiness
to attract international players



Profile Macroeconomic Dominican Republic



Population
10.9 million
SOURCE: ONE



Inflation 4.85%
Year over year Dec 2025
SOURCE: CENTRAL BANK



Nominal GDP
US\$128.4 billion
2.2% Dec 2025
SOURCE: CENTRAL BANK



Debt/GDP
48% November 2025
*Financial Public Sector
SOURCE: PUBLIC DEBT OFFICE



Currency (USD Exchange Rate)
Dominican Pesos
(1US\$ - DOP 63.43)
Januay 2026
SOURCE: CENTRAL BANK



Country Risk Rating
Ba2 / BB Jan 2026
SOURCE: PUBLIC DEBT OFFICE

Capital Market Data

~US\$ 191,000 MM

**Settled
Volume as %
of GDP**



**Pension Funds
Portfolio as %
of GDP**



**Assets Under
Management of
Investment Funds
as % of GDP**



>25%

Continuous Compound
Growth over the last 5 years
(Top Market in the Region).

300

Interconnected participants
in the Capital Market.

+6

Asset classes for
portfolio diversification.

01 Dominican Republic has built a solid and competitive sustainable finance ecosystem



Clear and robust regulatory framework



Issuers aligned with international standards



Growing ecosystem of thematic instruments



Increasing international recognition

02 Foundations of a Thematic Segment (2018-2025)

2018

The Green Finance Agenda was launched during the first held International Green Finance Conference organized by BVRD, alongside with the publication of the country's first Green Bond Guideline

Framework Construction

2019

BVRD led a multisectoral coordination process with financial institutions, energy sector and representants of the real economy sector, enabling the adoption of thematic and sustainable finance assets

Market Alignment

2020

SIMV issued the Guidelines for Sustainable, Green and Social Bonds, establishing a robust regulatory framework aligned with ICMA international standards

Regulatory Consolidation



02 Timeline (2018-2025)



2021

The first Green bond was issued through a Public Offering Trust by EGE Haina's Larimar I Green Trust, for USD 100 million, and allocated successfully

First Thematic Asset

2022

The first Social Impact Fund, SAFI Pioneer, was launched, focused on sustainable housing projects aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals

First Impact Fund

2024

The first Green Financial Bond was issued by Banco Popular Dominicano for DOP 300 million (approximately USD 4.8 million), marking a milestone in thematic issuances by financial institutions

First Green Bond issued by FI



02 Timeline (2018-2025)

2024

The Dominican Republic issued the first Green Sovereign Bond in the Caribbean through the Ministry of Finance, totaling USD 750 million, positioning the country within global sustainable finance markets

First Green Sovereign Bond in the Caribbean

2024

A Practical Guide for Thematic Issuances was developed by BVRD, SIMV, the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, ABA and GGGI, facilitating the structuring of issuances aligned with international standards

Market Guidelines and Green Taxonomy Developed



2025

The Green Taxonomy of the Dominican Republic was developed under the leadership of SIMV and the Ministry of Environment, with IFC support, covering mitigation, adaptation, biodiversity, water, waste and the circular economy

Sustainable Finance Ecosystem Consolidated



02 Timeline (2018-2025)

2025

First Sustainability Bond Issued by **BANFONDESA**: DOP 250 million (approximately USD 4 million), generating measurable impact aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals through **clean energy and financial inclusion**

First Green Bond issued by MFI



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03 Landmark Issuance: BanFONDESA Sustainability Bond

RD\$250 MM

(~USD\$4 MM)

HIGH

Institutional appetite

LUXEMBOURG

SOCIAL IMPACT

+ energy transition and
financial inclusion

LISTING

international exchanges
recognizes Good Practices

02 Timeline (2018-2025)

2025

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04 The Dominican Republic is Ready for International Capital Markets



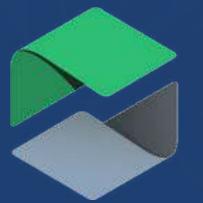
The evolution of the Dominican market demonstrates that the country's regulatory framework, processes and practices comply with Global Standards required for local thematic financial instruments to be recognized, listed in international markets and acquired by Top Performers Asset Managers and Market players globally



International Standards Ready

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The Sustainable Bond –DOP 500 million(EUR 7 million)

Proceeds Allocation



- Microfinance, gender-focused finance, green lending and MSME financing

Key Accomplishments



- Externally reviewed & ICMA-aligned
- Caribbean pioneer in sustainable microfinance

Best Practices



- Institutional capacity: Technical assistance as a key enabler
- Credibility & capital: Strategic partnerships
- Access to sustainable finance: MFIs as gateways to sustainable markets



Dominican Republic Stock Exchange Award 2025



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Save the Date for these gatherings

Events

05.02.2025 Training Day | Impact-Linked Finance

11.02.2026 Knowledge Sharing Event | **Friendship Luxembourg**

TBD Spring Networking Event

TBD Knowledge Sharing Event | **LuxFLAG**

Announcements

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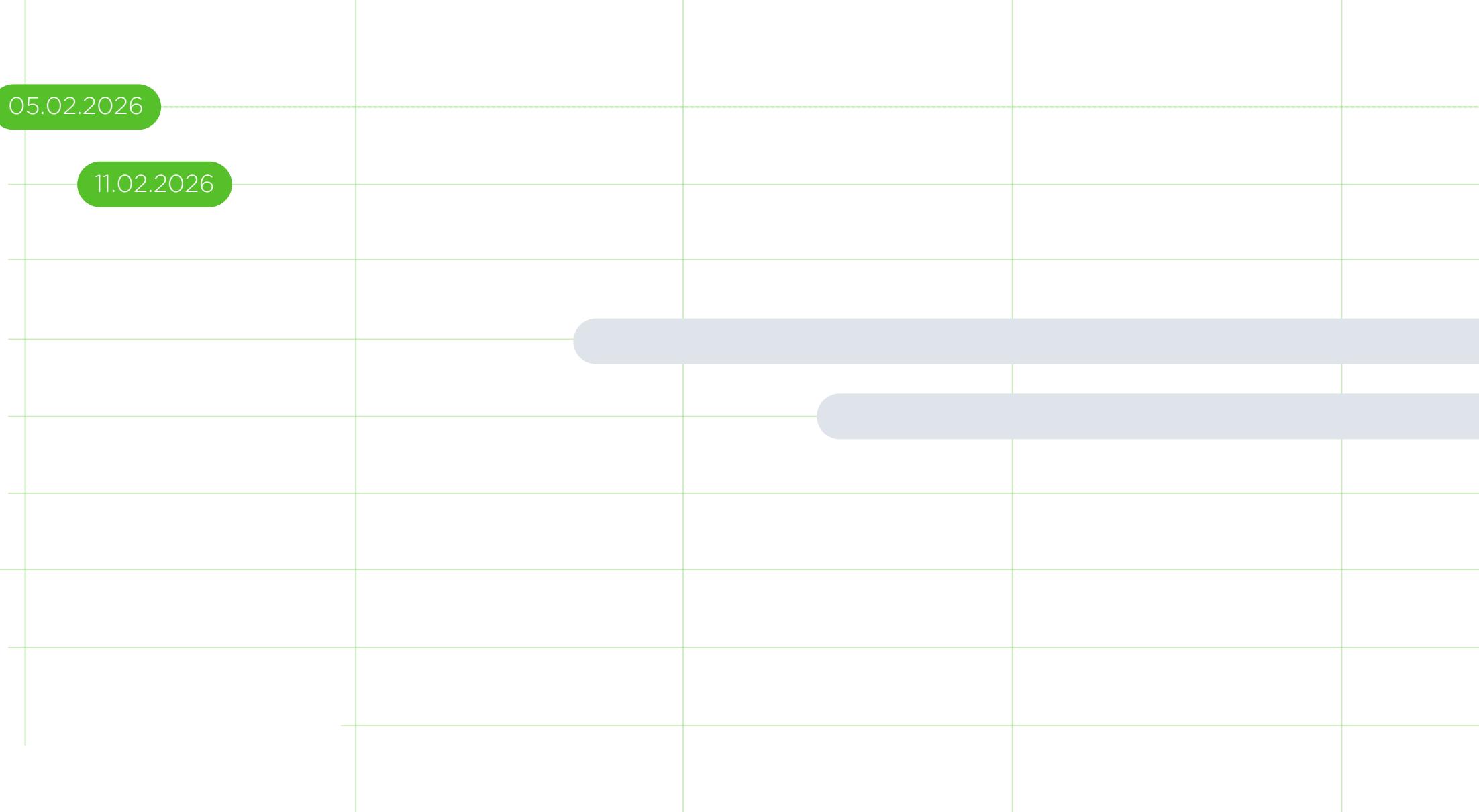
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