

## A SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE AND COMMITTED BANKING GROUP

BANK OF AFRICA Group's strong commitment to environmental issues and to social and societal responsibility began more than 25 years ago with its BMCE Bank Foundation. Today, BMCE Bank Foundation continues to innovate and implement educational, environmental and community development programmes, while providing significant support to African start-ups.

### BMCE BANK FOUNDATION SUPPORTING EDUCATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT IN AFRICA



BANK OF AFRICA also leverages the capabilities of BOA Foundation, established in 1999 in Benin and now operational in seven countries. BOA Foundation's various initiatives seek to address the major challenges facing the continent.

In addition to the initiatives and undertakings of its Foundations, BANK OF AFRICA has established a team of CSR and sustainable development professionals which ensures that environmental and social criteria are

incorporated within the Bank's decision-making processes. The Bank intends to remain at the cutting edge as far as these issues are concerned, responding positively to major international initiatives and adopting best international standards. BANK OF AFRICA has acquired a reputation in Morocco and around the world for its leadership and performance in environmental, social and corporate governance (ESG).

## BANK OF AFRICA COMMITTED TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND CSR FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS



BANK OF AFRICA the first African signatory in 2000 to UNEP FI's Statement of Commitment by Financial Institutions on the Environment and Sustainable Development.



Environmental and Social (E&S) Risk Management System adopted in conjunction with the IFC in 2008.



Equator Principles (EP) voluntarily adopted by BANK OF AFRICA in May 2010. These provide a framework for determining, assessing and managing environmental and social (E&S) risks in funded projects of USD 10 million or more.



United Nations Global Compact signed by BANK OF AFRICA, underlining its support for the ten principles relating to human rights, social and labour standards, environmental protection and combating corruption.

First report, 'Communication on Progress' published online in October 2017 after obtaining 'Global Compact Active COPs' status in 2016.



BANK OF AFRICA's commitment to climate action is underlined by joining the 'Mainstreaming Climate Action within Financial Institutions' initiative in 2016.



Founding member of Principles for Responsible Banking in 2019 and Principles for Positive Impact Finance in 2017.



BANK OF AFRICA the first African bank to support China's 'Green Investment Principles for the Belt and Road (GIP)' initiative.



BANK OF AFRICA ranked amongst the top global companies rated by Vigeo Eiris (4,880 in total) and 1<sup>st</sup> out of 90 in the banking sector – 'Retail & Specialised Banks – Emerging Markets' category.

BANK OF AFRICA awarded an A1+ (Advanced level) rating, retaining its status as 'Top Performer CSR' in 2020 for the 7<sup>th</sup> consecutive year.



BANK OF AFRICA's ISO 14001 certification for environmental management successfully renewed for the 9<sup>th</sup> consecutive year with the scope of certification extended to the Bank's Environmental and Social Management System.

OHSAS 18001 certification of the occupational health and safety risk management renewed for the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year.

The Group's Anti-Bribery Management System awarded ISO 37001 international certification.



COVID-19 prevention SafeGuard label awarded by Veritas Group, underlining the Group's overseas social undertakings as well as reassuring stakeholders about the effectiveness of its business recovery plan, consistent with global health, hygiene and safety standards.



BANK OF AFRICA an award-winner for the 7<sup>th</sup> consecutive year at the 2020 Arabia CSR Awards in Dubai in the Financial Services category..



BANK OF AFRICA named 'Most Active Partner Bank in Morocco in 2019' by the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) in respect of its Trade Facilitation Programme.