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BC# Sustainability

- Strategic and dynamic agenda for socioenvironmental (S&E) sustainability
- Promoting sustainable finance
- Proper management of S&E and climate risks within the National Financial System (SFN)
- Incorporation of sustainability variables in the BCB decision-making process



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Relevance of socio-environmental sustainability

BCB's sustainability-related actions – Background

BCB's new agenda for E&S sustainability

- BCB's socio-environmental responsibility initiatives
- Partnerships
- Policies
- Supervision
- Regulation





Environmental awareness matures through stages in our society

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Environmental awareness stages

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Sustainable finance

- Environmental issues as part of investors' decision-making processes
 - Funds
 - Private equity
 - Infrastructure funds
 - Real estate funds





Sustainability and productivity are not exclusive

Sustainable practices generate:

- Waste reduction
 - Development of new processes, less intensive in terms of resources and raw materials.
- Efficient operations, which increase productivity and reduce costs
 - New operations can be costly to deploy, but profitable over the medium and long term.
- Strengthening the workforce: increase training and engagement; as well as attract talented employee

The adoption of sustainable practices is associated with increases in employee productivity*

*Delmas, M. and Pekovic, S. (2013), "Environmental standards and labor productivity: Understanding the mechanisms that sustain sustainability", Journal of Organizational Behaviour, Volume 34(2), pages 230-252.



Climate variables and the BCB's mission

Monetary policy

- Climate shocks are hard to predict
- Affect supply, posing challenges for monetary policy
 - Harvests, food and energy prices, among others.
- Uncertainty about the persistence and magnitude of climate shocks
- Risk of recurring shocks and/or lingering effects





Climate variables and the BCB's mission

Financial stability

- Potential climate risks for the financial sector
 - *Physical risk* higher frequency of extreme natural disasters (e.g. drought/flood affecting agribusiness or the real estate industry)
 - Transition risk arises from the gradual shift to a low-carbon economy
- Financial system vulnerabilities
 - Changes in asset prices and related losses
 - Macro-financial linkages (financial variables and economic activity)





Common aspects for an economic recovery

Sustainable and inclusive growth







sustainability-related actions

Background

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A New Sustainable Agenda





### BCB's S&E responsibility



#### **Strengthening internal environmental awareness**

• Encouraging the use of bicycles and pooled rides, reducing the use of plastics, encouraging recycling, selective waste collection

#### Inclusion of the theme in the Museum of Economy

• Thematic exposition of 'sustainable finance' at the BCB's Museum of Economy, to strengthen the visitors' related awareness

### Reduction of the environmental impact of the money cycle*

- Identification of stages that could be economically, energetically, and environmentally optimized
- Analysis of environmental impacts of issuance, distribution, collection and sanitation
- full allocation of residues for cement production

* issuance, custody, distribution, handling by trade, collection, and disposal





#### Review of the BCB's S&E Responsibility Policy (PRSA)

 Adoption of internal processes with sustainable management of natural resources and their byproducts

### *Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures* (TCFD) - Recommendations

- Implementation of the TCFD's recommendations
- BCB as a supporting institution

#### **BCB Integrated Risk Management**

- Enhancement of the socio-environmental risk assessment
- Yearly accountability to society creation of the BCB's Socio-Environmental Risk Report









### BC joins the Network for Greening the Financial System (NGFS)

- Exchange of experiences and best practices of central banks about S&E issues
- Improvement in data analysis and mitigation of S&E risks in the financial system
- Strengthening partnerships with other central banks and international organizations

#### Memorandum of Understanding with the Climate Bonds Initiative (CBI)

 Exchange information regarding the promotion of sustainable finance and the proper management of S&E and climate risks within the financial sector





## Policies



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#### **Creation of the 'Green liquidity facility'**

• Feasibility study, analysis and subsequent implementation of new facilities for financial institutions, whose collaterals can be private credit operations or private securities

#### **International reserves**

 Inclusion of sustainability criteria for the selection of counterparties in the management of international reserves and for investment decisions.





## Supervision





### Structuring and broadening the scope for collecting information on S&E risks

- Creation of document to collect qualitative data on both 'S&E responsibility' and 'climate risk assessment' carried out by financial institutions for selected operations, whose eligibility will be based on criteria for allocation to sensitive segments, value, purpose and/or situation.
- Automation of crossing exposure data with public information related to S&E risk

#### Monitoring of climate risks and stress tests

 Inclusion of climate risk scenarios in new and improved stress tests performed by BCB, in line with international recommendations and best practices





## Regulation

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#### Policy for S&E Responsibility (PRSA) implementation by financial institutions and other entities authorized to operate by BCB

#### **Regulatory enhancement of Resolution No. 4.327/2014**

- Inclusion of the concept "climate risk"
- Improvement of the definition of S&E risk
- Inclusion of requirements applicable to all types of risk:
  - Risk appetite statement
  - Stress tests
  - 'Business Continuity and Governance Plan'



### Improved transparency based on TCFD* recommendations

- Improvement of criteria for climate-related financial disclosures by financial institutions, focusing on the risks and opportunities related to climate-related issues
- Studies on TCFD recommendations' specific aspects that can be incorporated into the BCB's prudential regulatory framework



* **TCDF** - Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures



#### Creation of the 'Green Bureau' for rural credit

- Transformation of Sicor in the 'Green Rural Credit Bureau', based on an open banking framework
- Implementation of criteria to classify green operations
- Inclusion of multi-criteria analysis that are crossed-referenced with other databases
- Use of georeferencing data

#### Results

- Faster and more accessible certification processes, fostering the issuance of green bonds
- Creation of standards certification for levels of adherence to specified sustainability criteria

#### **Establishing incentives for green rural credit**

• Up to 20% increase in upper limits for rural credit operations that meet sustainability criteria

*Sicor - Rural Credit Operations and Proagro System





	ACTIONS	TARGET DATE
BCB's Social and Environmental Responsibility	Strengthening the internal culture of environmental awareness Inclusion of S&E Responsibility in the BCB's Museum of Economy Reduction of the money cycle's environmental impact BCB Integrated Risk Management Recommendations of TCFD – BCB as a supporting entity Review of the Policy for Socio-Environmental Responsibility (PRSA) within BCB	2021 – Jun 2022 – Jun 2023 – Dec 2021 – Jun 2020 – Sep 2020 – Oct
Partnerships	BC joins the Network for Greening the Financial System (NGFS) MoU – BCB and Climate Bonds Initiative (CBI)	2020 – Mar 2020 – Sep
Policies	Creation of the 'Green Liquidity Facility' International reserves management criteria	2021 – Dec 2021 – Apr
Supervision	Enhancement of the collection of information on socio-environmental risks Monitoring of climate risks and stress tests	2021 – Dec 2022 – Abr
Regulation	Regulatory enhancement of the PRSA (Resolution N°. 4.327/2014) Regulation to increase transparency based on recommendations issued by TCFD* First stage: regulation on disclosure of risk management, governance of risks and strategic policies Second stage: regulation on disclosure of targets, metrics and risk assessments Creation of the Green Rural credit Bureau First stage: regulation on sustainability criteria Second stage: regulation on compliance levels for sustainability criteria Establishing incentives for 'Green rural credit'	2021 – Jun 2021 – Jun 2022 – Dec 2021 – Jul 2022 – Jul 2022 – Jul
* TCDF - Task Force on Climate-rel		2021 - May



