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Financial Health and Inclusion Target Setting Part 2

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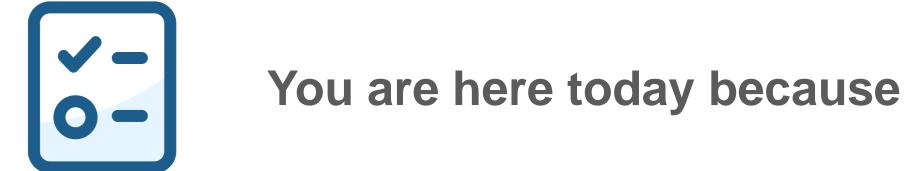




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# **PRB Financial Health and Inclusion Programme**

- Main purpose: support PRB signatories in setting targets in the Financial Health and Inclusion area
- Addressed to all relevant people in the bank working on Financial Health and Inclusion (Sustainability Team, Product, Risk, Strategy etc..) and PRB implementation

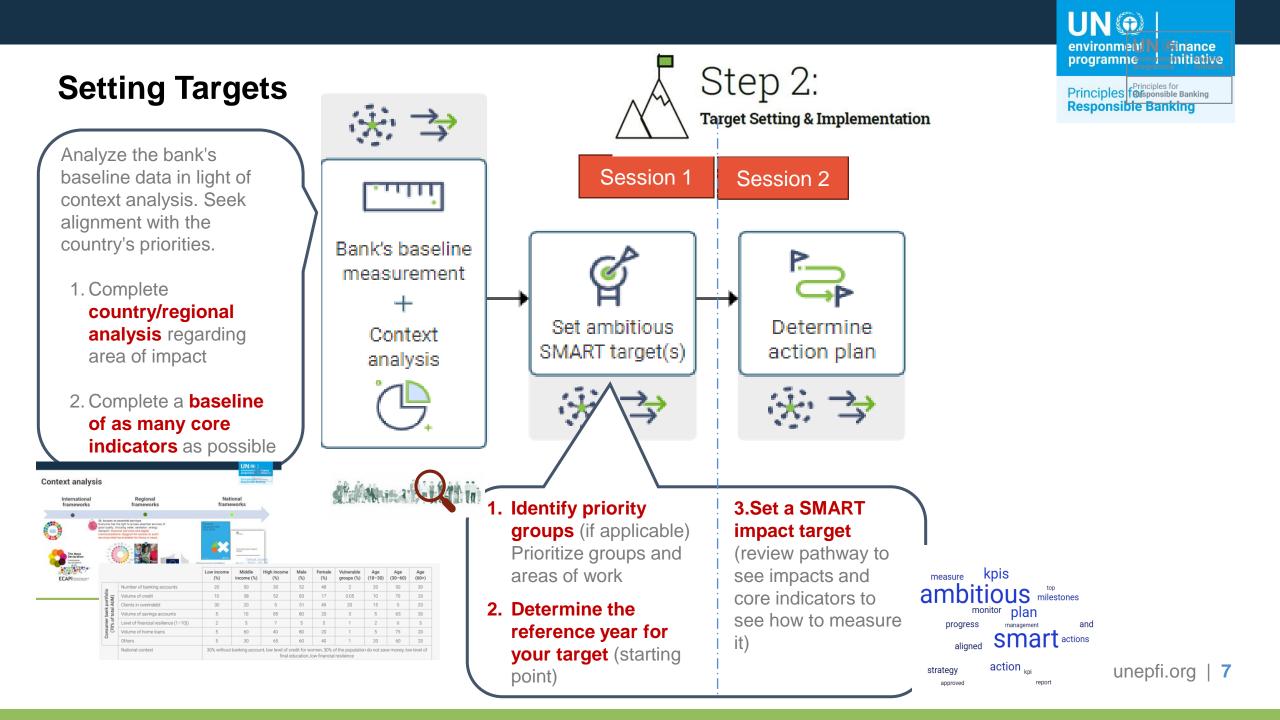
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Part 1: Foundation of PRB Climate Target Setting for Financial Health & Inclusion	
•Get familiar with the UNEP FI framework for FH&I	
•Identify the context of financial inclusion and financial health in the country in which they operate	8th November 2023
•Build <b>knowledge and skills to select the best indicators</b> and methodologies to set targets that are aligned with PRB's best practices	
Part 2 : Implementing the targets	
•Understand how to develop SMART targets that are aligned with local needs and commitments, as well as with the institution's profile	29th November 2023
•Getting started with the action plans to implement the targets	



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# Recap Part 1 Practical exercise

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## Agenda Part 2

- Case study exercise feedback Part 1
- Setting targets continued
  - Set SMART targets continued
  - Define key indicators (reporting)
  - Determine measures and actions (action plan)
- > Examples
- Practical Case study exercise discussion Part 2

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# Homework: Case study exercise

Based on the information on the following slides, practice on:

- 1. Context analysis: What are the priorities and goals of the country Genovia
- 2. Baseline analysis:
  - Which are the groups that the bank should prioritize?
  - Taking into account the organic growth of the indicators, and the country's goals, which should be the bank's goal and for which target year?
- 3. What questions arise from the process?

# **Policies and agreements - GENOVIA**



INTERNATIONAL	SDG	<ul> <li>SDG 8. Decent work and economic growth</li> <li>SDG 8.1: Maintain per capita economic growth in accordance with national circumstances and, in particular, gross domestic product growth of at least 7 per cent per annum in the least developed countries. As of 2019, there is a 0.40% advance.</li> <li>ODS 8.10: Proportion of adults (15 years and older) with an account at a bank or other financial institution or with a mobile money service. By 2021 the figure is 84%.</li> <li>SDG 10: Reduction of inequalities:</li> <li>Achieve and sustain income growth for the poorest 40% of the population at a rate higher than the average income of the richest 10%.</li> </ul>
	Maya Declaration	At the moment, the country has no goals in progress.
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## **Baseline – Bank Banovia**

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Financial Inclusion Indicators	Year			
Relevant data	2019	2020	2021	
<ul> <li>Number of products and services with a focus on financial inclusion</li> </ul>	5/50	5/54	5/57	
Number of individuals who have participated in financial education programs	350,000	400,000	450,000	
Employees trained to facilitate the inclusion of people/businesses	30%	40%	50%	
% of individuals with high financial skills	60%	65%	70%	
% of rural customers with <b>effective</b> access to a basic financial product	20%	40%	35%	
% of (rural) customers with two or more active financial products, of different categories, with the bank	17%	20%	23%	
% of customers who actively use the bank's digital platforms and services	45%	70%	80%	
% of clients supported with personalized strategies/advisory services	25%	30%	35%	

Financial Health Indicators	Year			
Relevant Financial Health Data	2019	2020	2021	
% of clients with a good level of financial health	39.3%	43.4%	42.7%	
% of customers who feel confident about their finances in the next 12 months	45%	27%	35%	
Non-performing loan index	47%	44%	41%	
Number of products and services with a financial health focus	2/50	2/54	10/57	
Employees trained to facilitate the financial health of individuals/businesses	-	-	-	
% of customers with long-term savings/investment products	20%	25%	30%	
% of clients who materialize a financial wellness plan created with the bank's advisor	-	-	-	
% of customers who regularly overdraw	25%	40%	30%	



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# What are the priorities and goals of the country Genovia?

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# **Policies and agreements - GENOVIA**



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The country has a clear priority, and it is financial inclusion beyond a basic bank account for 100% of the population over 15 years old

# **Indicators - GENOVIA**

Financial Inclusion Indicators	Year			
Relevant data	2014	2017	2021	
Account (% age 15+)	68.1	70.0	84.0	
Account, rural (% age 15+)	19.2	25.3	32.8	
Account, female (% ages 15 and over)		67.5	70.1	
Account, male (% age 15+)		72.9	87.1	
Income account, 40% poorer (% over 15 years)	57.2	56.6	82.0	
% of adults with financial products by age range (18-25 years)	-	-	30.9	
% of adults with financial products by age range (> 65 years)	-	35.7	40.8	
National Financial Inclusion Index (0 – 100)	25.9	32.4	48.7	

Financial Health Indicators	Year			
Relevant Financial Health Data	2017	2019	2021	
% low-income population	26.7	26.05	29.60	
% Household savings	-	22.4	24.6	
Savings for old age, women (% of ages 15 and over)	-	8.9	15.9	
Savings for old age, men (% over 15 years)	13.1	17.5	24.3	
Create emergency funds: not possible, women (% over 15 years)	-	10.1	11.4	
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Score for Financial Education (0 – 21)	-	11.5	16.7	
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# What are the groups that the bank should give a closer look to?

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Groups to prioritize: rurality and women to achieve 100% in bank account. And to all groups, obstacle-free access to more financial products. Financial health indicators are the clear result of a country with a low index of financial inclusion. Given that the country has no financial health targets, the bank could focus on inclusion while maintaining financial well-being lenses.





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% of clients supported with customized strategies/advisory services	25%	30%	35%	% of customers who regularly use overdrafts	25

The bank could initially focus on financial inclusion. Taking into account the organic growth of the impact indicator for inclusion, it could have a target between 45% and 50% by 2025 (ambitious). In parallel, the bank could monitor financial health indicators to ensure that negative impacts are not generated, and can eventually set a financial health target.

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Context analysis: What are the priorities and target of the country Genovia

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Financial inclusion of rural communities and women. Understood as access to all financial products without barriers.

Baseline analysis:

What are the groups that the bank should prioritize?

Rural clients and having specific initiatives for women

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Let's remember **Exercise Session 1** 



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# **Lessons learned and good practices** Steps 1-3

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**Good practices** 

- Even with the expectation of limited data, banks managed to gather a robust amount of information to map their country's profile, choose their priority groups and areas of work.
- Several banks have been able to find data on financial behaviors and other complementary areas that are also important for the characterization of the initial context.
- Analyzing societal problems such as over-indebtedness.

#### Lessons learned

- Most banks do not cover varied businesses (e.g. SMEs and MSMEs, investments, insurance), and tend to cover mostly savings account data. Don't cover just savings accounts!
- In some cases, data collected was not consistent with the group selected to prioritize, which misaligns with targets set from the priorities of the context.
- In some cases, there could be more segmentation in the data by ethnicity, location or age, according to identified vulnerable groups.
- It is important to establish a multidisciplinary work team in the bank if this area has been prioritized

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Understand the context of the country





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# Lessons learned and good practices Steps 1-3





#### Lessons learned

- Many of the banks were successful in covering indicators for all levels of the theory of change.
- The more components of the theory of change are measured at baseline, the easier it will be to complete the stages that follow.

#### **Good practices**

- Even when the focus is on financial inclusion, banks should also include financial health, for example in the form of a negative impact, as this is important to measure, as part of sustainable financial inclusion
- In some cases banks have not set indicators to evaluate implemented programs, which is essential to know how successful are the efforts.
- Put together an internal multidisciplinary work team.
- A robust context analysis help to identify indicators that the bank must measure for its own performance - we should not limit ourselves to the Excel list.
- Always double check to understand why a core indicator looks the way it does

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# **Lessons learned and good practices** Steps 1-3

Set baselines and identify priorities



#### **Good practices**

To complete the baseline, it is important to align the entire team regarding definitions of the indicators to be measured, especially on the below:

- Effective access: access after first use
- Active: use at least once a month or with the intended periodicity of the product / service
- Regularly: at least 4 months in a year, shows regularity in negative behavior such as overdraft

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# Using the framework in practice Part 2

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# **Set SMART targets**

Set a SMART impact target (review **pathway** to see impacts and **core indicators** to see how to measure it)



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# Requirements of the Principles for Responsible Banking for setting targets

- **Ambitious**, and your banks should be clear about how they contribute to the SDGs, national targets and/or priorities
- Set at **impact level** resulting from your bank's activities and provision of products and services, as identified through your bank's impact analysis
- Be Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Time-bound (SMART).
- Include defined actions and milestones to meet the target
- Include definitions of key performance indicators (KPIs) to measure and monitor progress against the targets

Important to align targets with business departments, Executive Committee and Board of Directors Targets, KPIs and actions should be approved by them and should relate to the business strategy Any changes in these definitions, and any rebasing of baselines should be transparent

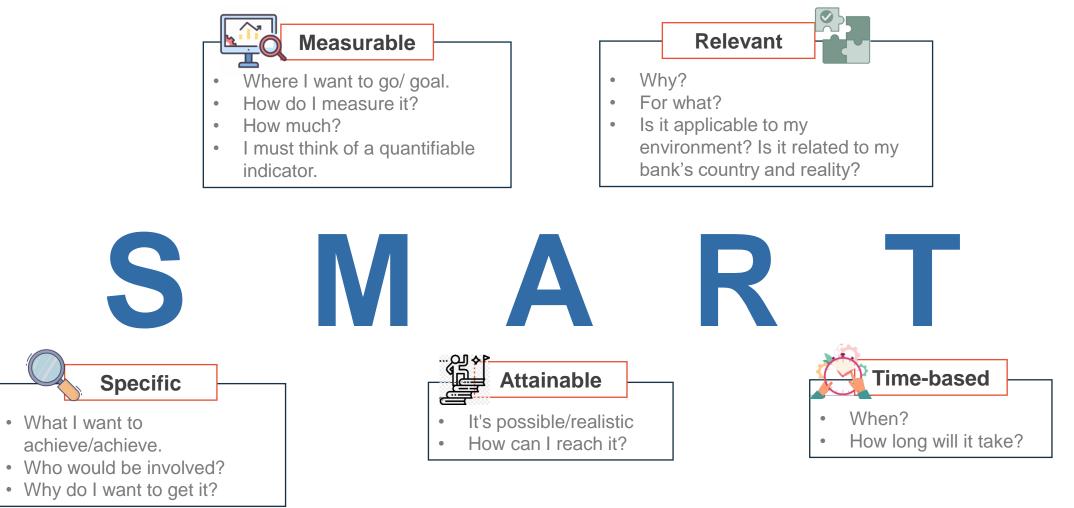
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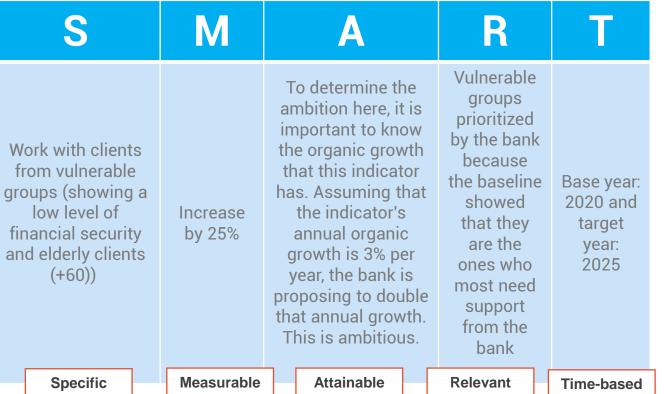
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# **Re-Cap on the requirements of the Principles for Responsible Banking for setting targets**



# **SMART Target example for Financial Health**

- Baseline: December 2020
- Priorities and targets: National context taken into account for 2025



# \* This target is aligned with SDGs 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth) and 10 (Reduced inequalities), as well as the relevant country's National Financial Well-being Strategy.

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#### SMART goal defined for 2025:

Work with clients from vulnerable groups (showing a low level of financial security and elderly clients (+60)) to increase the percentage of clients with recurring savings, minimum emergency funds and long-term savings plans by 25%. Principles for Responsible

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#### **SMART Target example for Financial Inclusion**

- Baseline: December 2020
- **Priorities and targets:** National context taken into account for 2025

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Increase the allocation of loans for customers (individuals and microentrepreneurs) While substantially reducing the level of over-indebtedness	Increase by 20% the placement of loans in prioritized groups and reduce over- indebtednes s from 45% to 35%	20% means disbursing USD 300 billion in loans and going from 45% to 35% means reducing by 10% the percentage of over- indebted people in 3	For low- income clients and microentrepre neurs because the baseline showed that the problem is in access to credit	Baseline 2020 and target year 2025
Specific	Measurable	Attainable	Relevant	Time-based

Defined SMART target- 2025:

Increase loan allocation for customers (individuals and microentrepreneurs) with previous rejections by 20% each, disbursing USD 300 bn on loans for lowincome clients and microentrepreneurs (2020-2025); and substantially decrease the level of over-indebtedness for low-income customers and microentrepreneurs

\* The target is aligned with SDGs 1 (End Poverty), 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth) and 9 (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure) and the country's National Financial Inclusion Strategy.

### **Examples**

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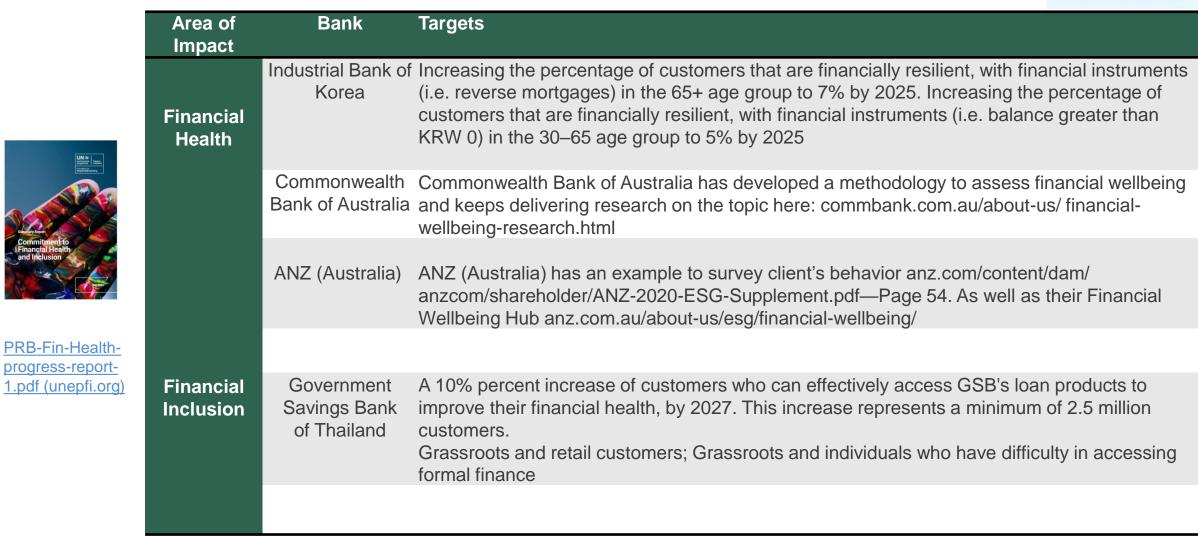
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# **Impact targets - Examples in APAC**



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# **Lessons learned and good practices** Steps 1-3

Set SMART targets



#### **Good practices**

In case of not having a defined target yet, it is good to establish and monitor financial health/well-being indicators, in order to understand the correlation of financial inclusion actions.

#### Lessons learned

- If there are no targets at country level, check if there are similar countries, try to make your target match the best possible way.
- An overarching target can be set covering all prioritized groups but when reporting, progress must be shown for each prioritized group how your bank is closing the gaps for them
- Take into account all your product portfolio and categorize products to better understand participation of each prioritized group in your portfolio

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# **Lessons learned and good practices** Steps 1-3





#### **Inclusion targets**

- Impact targets to 2025-2026 with progressive targets for 2023 and 2024 + monitoring of financial health indicators to avoid negative impacts.
- Sub-targets for each product/service category starting from baseline, i.e., we have an overarching target about how full financial inclusion of the prioritized group should look like, and sub-targets by product category that will help to achieve the overarching target.
- Sub-targets usually concern supply/demand/rejections of products that are relevant for greater financial health in the target group. This is why it is important to analyze rejection rates, participation in products from other categories, etc.
- A very important sub-target is banking the un-banked and this must be in line with the national targets and the bank's market share.

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# **Lessons learned and good practices** Steps 1-3

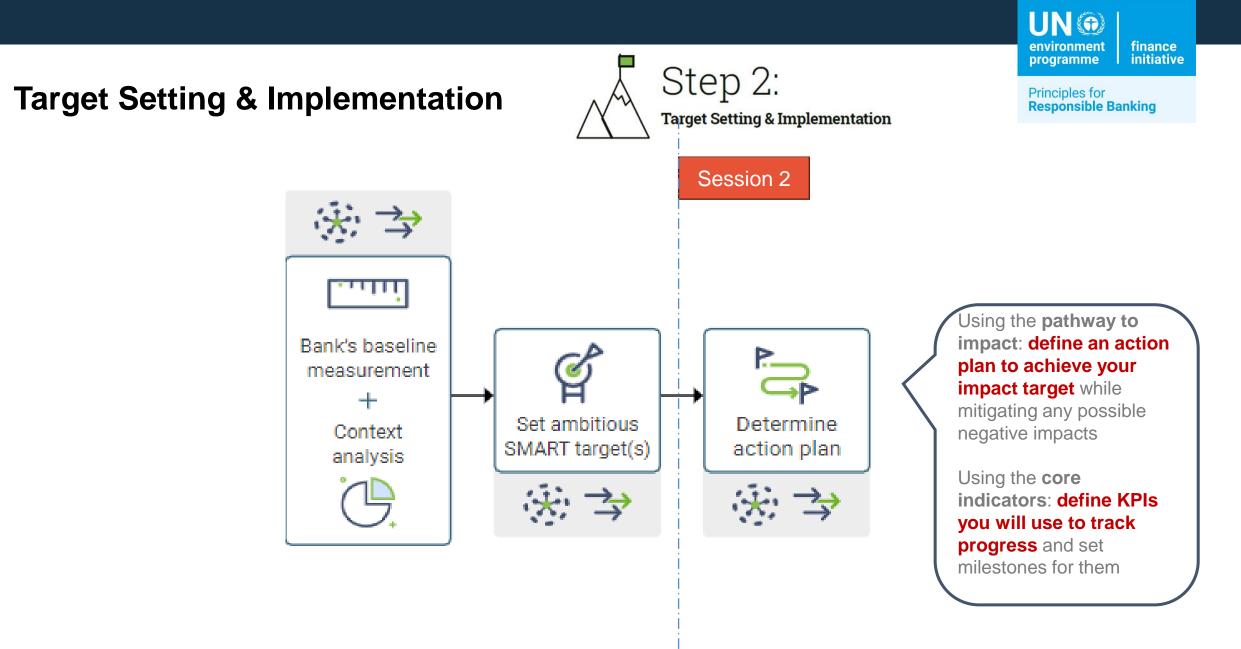
Set SMART targets



#### **Financial Health targets**

- Impact target to 2030. If it is not holistic (i.e., measuring all components of financial health), it is recommended that the target addresses financial resilience, given current macroeconomic conditions.
- Sub-target suggested in indicators that measure savings habits: overindebtedness (overdue credits or non-performing loans), access to products of other categories for customers who already have savings habits, among others. Another important sub-target is inclusion for banks in countries that still have gaps.
- It is important to identify whether the bank's product portfolio has products aimed at encouraging savings and financial resilience to cover emergencies.

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### **Questions and comments**



## Defining (KPI's) **Key performance indicators**

#### But how to define KPIs?

These indicators are what will show us that the bank is on track to deliver its targets and sub-targets. Simply put, it is *the short- and medium-term indicators* that are critical for the bank's targets to be achieved.

#### Should I set targets for KPIs?

Of course! Especially the short-term ones because these will determine whether you will achieve the medium-term results. For example, if we do not achieve a critical mass of banked individuals, we will not achieve the targets of effective access and then access to a second product. This is what is known as *Milestones*.



## Defining (KPIs) **Key performance indicators**

#### Set a target in Financial Inclusion?

As financial inclusion is a means to an end, a good practice is to monitor financial health indicators to make sure your bank is not generating a negative impact.

For example, if you want to increase access to loans then monitor NPLs, arrears, overdrafts, and severely diminished saving capacity. These are all indicators that the loan is actually generating financial distress.



## Defining key performance indicators

When you have the target and a clear action plan, then the implementation and reporting process starts.

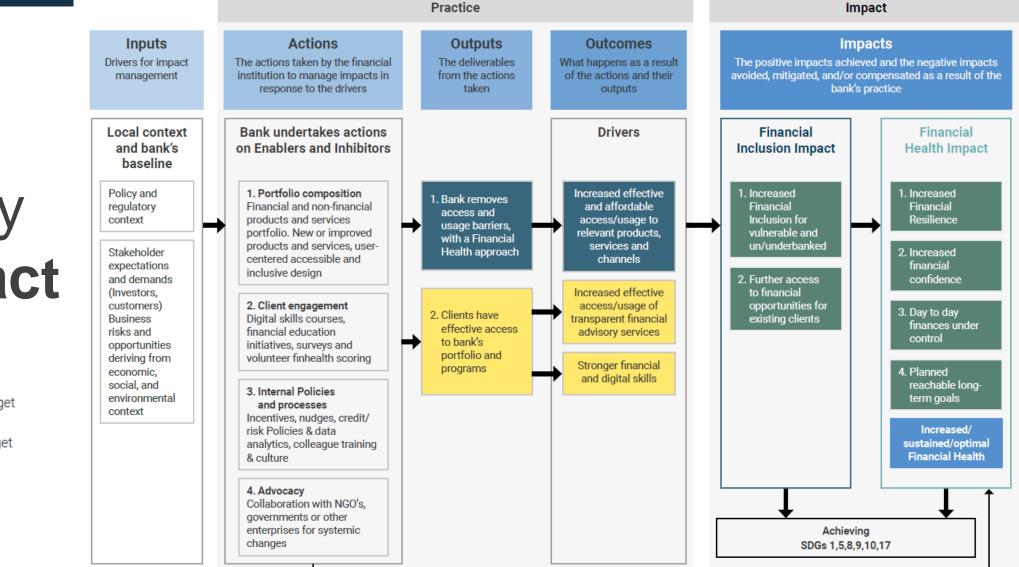
For the fulfillment of the report, under the Principles for Responsible Banking, the bank must report:

- Baseline of key indicators used to set targets and sub-targets
- Progress towards the delivery of targets and sub-targets through key performance indicators (KPIs) and milestones achieved in these indicators
- To understand the effectiveness of the bank in its progress, it is good practice to reveal the starting point of the KPI, whenever possible

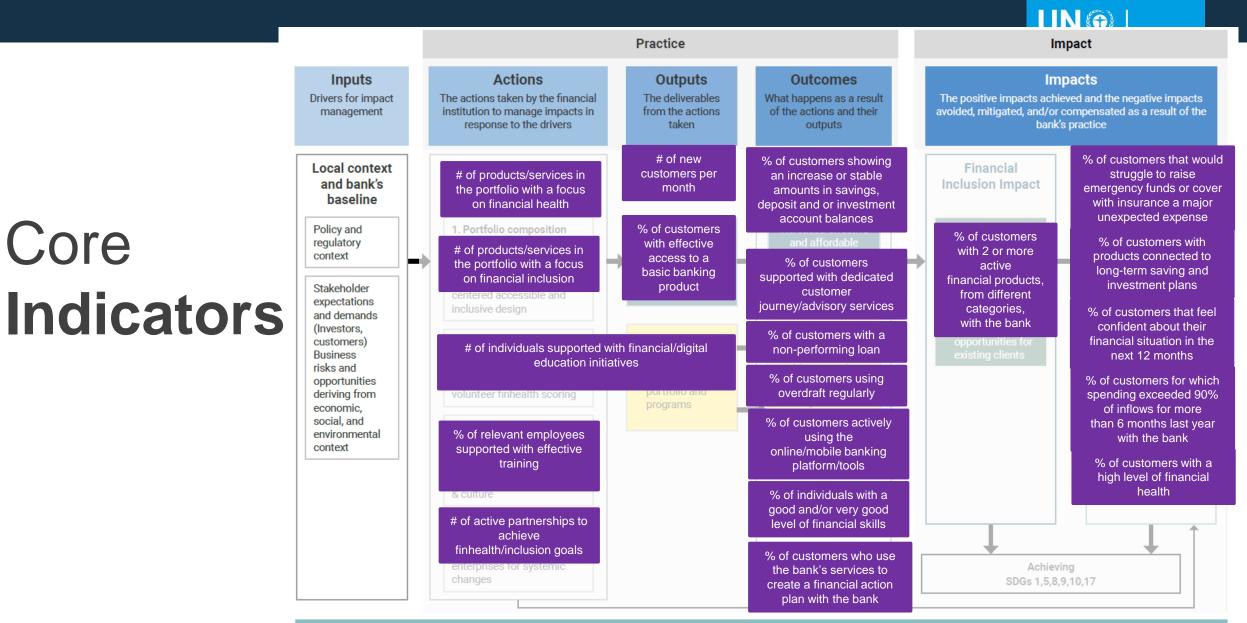
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Client engagement target
Business/financial target

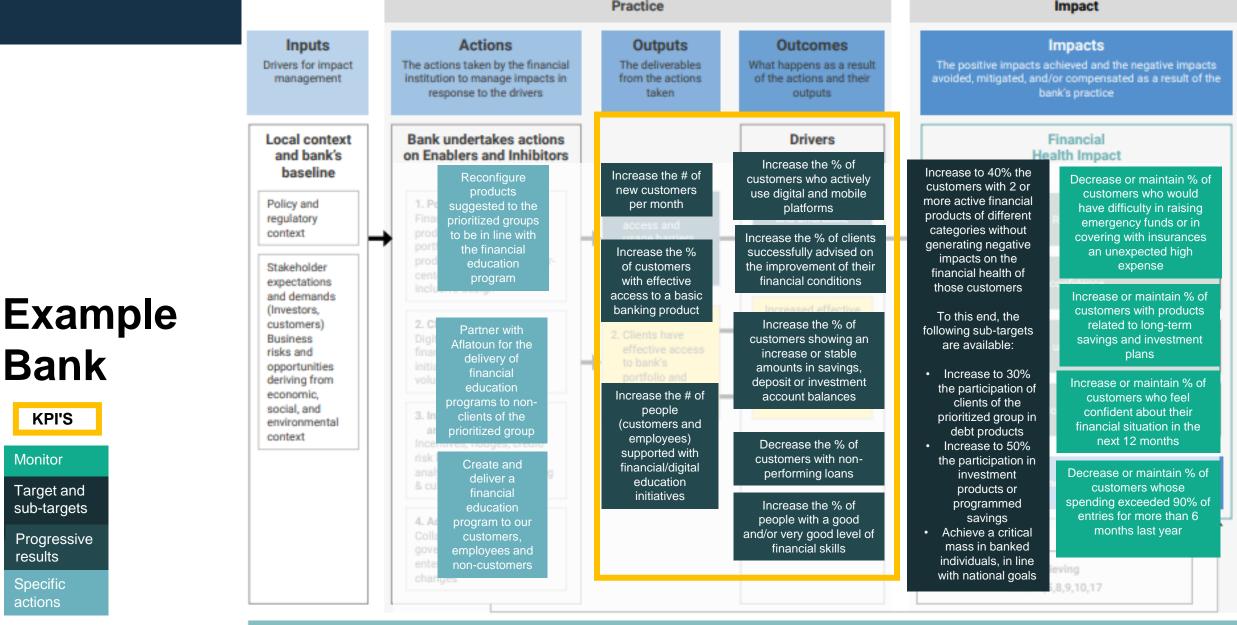
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**KPI'S** 

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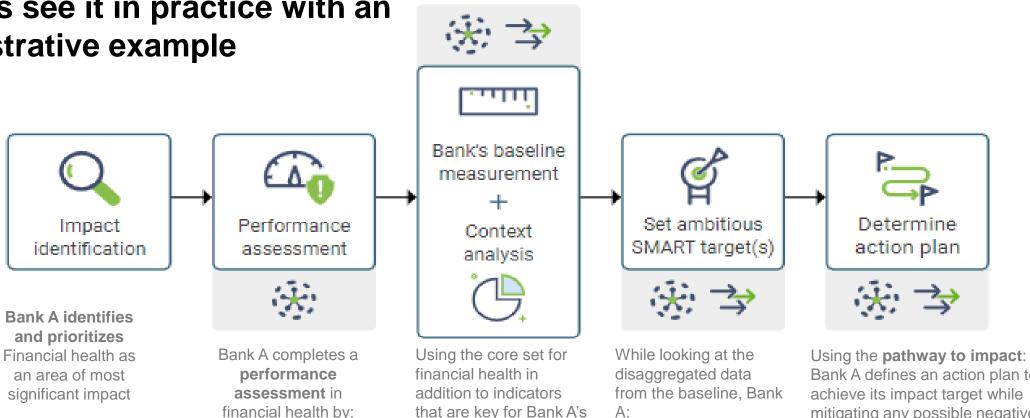
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Specific actions

Monitor

Focus on vulnerability and equality

#### Let's see it in practice with an illustrative example



that are key for Bank A's business, and key country indicators connected to financial resilience and inclusion. completes a historical baseline for 2019-2021, choosing 2021 as the baseline year.

- A:
- 1. Prioritizes young people (30 or less)
- 2. Sets a SMART impact target connected to the financial confidence and resilience of young customers

Bank A defines an action plan to achieve its impact target while mitigating any possible negative impacts of focusing on the financial confidence and resilience of young customers

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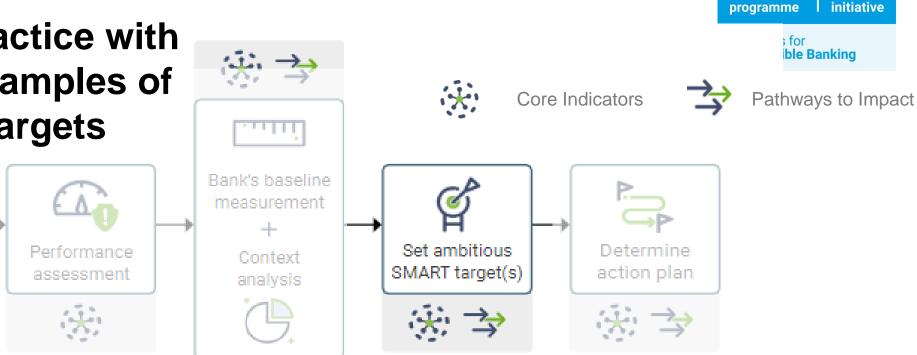
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Using the core indicators: Bank A defines KPIs and milestones to achieve its impact target

#### Let's see it in practice with an illustrative examples of setting SMART targets

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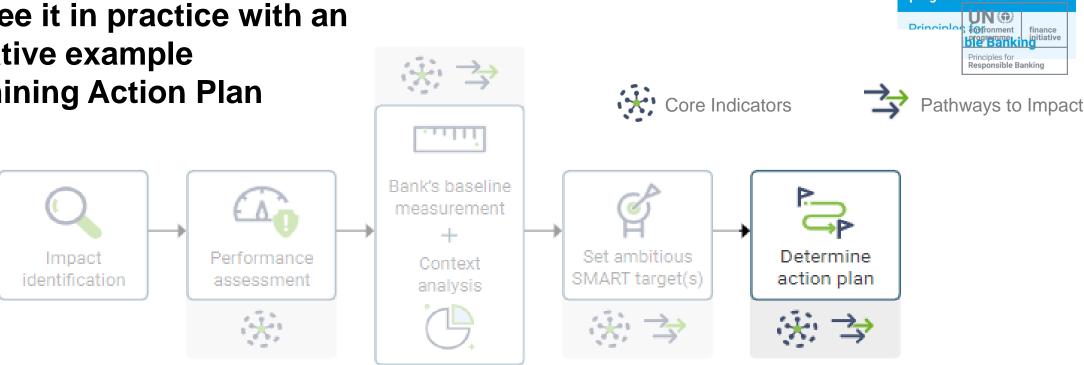
Increase the % of young customers that feel confident about their financial situation in the next 12 months, from 30% to 60% by 2025.

Decrease the % of customers that would struggle to raise emergency funds or cover with insurance a major unexpected expense, from 70% to 35% by 2030

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#### Let's see it in practice with an illustrative example determining Action Plan



To achieve the targets by the target year, Bank A has set the following milestones:

- Improve the financial skills of at least 70% of the participants of financial literacy initiatives (which should reach 100% of our customers and at least 10.000 of individuals in communities)
- Increase the % of young customers with a savings account from 3% to 10% ٠
- Increase the % of young customers showing increase or stable amounts in savings, deposit and/or investment account balances, quarter on quarter (saving habit) from 10% to 30%
- Increase the % of young customers with products connected to long-term saving and investment plans, from 5% to 35% ٠

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#### Let's see it in practice with examples of the five steps

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90% of inflows for more

than 6 months last year »

STEP 1:

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Impact: Day-to-

day finance

Understand country

In the country the bank

operates in, there is a

considerable financial

85% of the adult popula-

tion in the country have a

banking account/ access

25% of the population in

the country regularly use

10% of the population is

30% of the adult population

security and elderly individ-

uals are at the top of the list

85% Spend less than or

71% Pay all bills on time 54% Have a manageable

70% Have a prime credit

equal to income

amount of debt

score

have low level of financial

overdraft

over-indebted

to financial services

STEP 2: Set baselines and priorities	STEP 3: Set SMART Targets	STEP 4: Determine measures and actions	STEP 5: Define KPIs	
Internally, the bank identified the following regarding its clients (in 2020):	The bank's formulated SMART Target (by 2025):	The bank engaged with relevant internal and external stakeholders to develop a plan to reach its targets by 2025. The plan defined the following measures, actions and KPIs:		
20% of our customer base are considered vulnerable groups (who display a low level of financial security, elderly customers (+60), 50% utilize overdraft credit regularly which is 30% more compared to total	Decrease the regular use of overdraft and over-in- debtness of the vulnerable group (who display a low level of financial security and elderly customers (+60) by 30% by 2025	Improve credit/risk policies to mitigate the adverse use of overdraft by customers who do not benefit from it	Percentage of customers (classified as being from a vulnerable group) using overdraft regularly, decrease this percent- age by 6% per year, and decrease over-indebted- ness by 4% per year.	
customer base 25% of the customers in the vulnerable group are over-in-debt « 21% of customers for	Take the percentage of customers for which spending exceeded 90% of inflows for more than 6 months last year, from 21%	Integrate early warning indi- cators to advise customers and clients (e.g. warnings for overdraft, over-indebt-	% of customers for which spending exceeded 90% of inflows for more than 6 months last year % of customers with a	

ness, etc.)

Develop specific digital

tools, debt counselling)

services for the vulnerable

group that help to improve

their financial situation (e.g. planning and budgeting

non-performing loan, % of

customers using overdraft

regularly

down to 15%

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	STEP 1: Understand country context	STEP 2: Set baselines and priorities	STEP 3: Set SMART Targets	STEP 4: Determine measures and actions	STEP 5: Define KPIs
	In the country the bank operates in, there is a considerable financial inclusion gap:	Internally, the bank identified the following regarding its clients (in 2020):	The bank's formulated SMART Target (by 2025):	The bank engaged with re external stakeholders to a its targets by 2025. The p measures, actions and Ki	develop a plan to reach lan defined the following
Effective access to Basic Banking (the bank should consider the number and percentage of low-income population and microentrepreneurs in the country in accordance to national definitions)	40% of the country's population can be consid- ered low-income and 50% of adults do not have effective access to a basic banking account	20% of our basic banking accounts are from low-in- come customers	Increase the percentage of basic bank accounts held by low-income customers by 46% (achieving 30% of the total consumer banking accounts), and business clients that are microentrepreneurs by 40% (achieving 20% of SMEs accounts) by 2025.	Develop a communica- tions strategy, including a digital campaign, to reach potential low-in- come customers and microen- trepreneurs to inform and encourage them to open a basic bank account.	Percentage of low-in- come customers' basic banking accounts versus total customers' banking accounts, increase by 8% per year (including mobile accounts, fee free accounts and virtual wallets)
	There are 2.5 million SMEs in the country, of which 90% are micro- enterprises and 30% do not have effective access to a basic banking account	15% of our basic business accounts are from micro- entrepreneurs		Launch fee-free digital accounts and virtual wallets.	Percentage of micro- Entrepreneur basic accounts versus total SMEs banking accounts per year, increase by 6% per year (including mobile accounts, fee-free accounts and virtual wallets)

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	STEP 1: Understand country context	STEP 2: Set baselines and priorities	STEP 3: Set SMART Targets	STEP 4: Determine measures and actions	STEP 5: Define KPIs
Impact: Further Effective access	40% of low-income individuals in the country have access to credit and of those, 30% are over-in- debted	15% of our loan allocation focuses on low-income customers whose over-in- debtedness is 40% higher compared to the total individual customer base	Increase Ioan Allocation for customers (individuals and microentrepreneurs) with previous rejections by 20% each, disburs- ing USD 300bn on Ioans for Iow-in- come clients and microen- trepre- neurs (2020–2025); and substantially decrease the level of over-indebted- ness for Iow-in- come customers and microen- trepre- neurs, by 2025.	Improve or adapt credit/ risk policies for credit lines for low-income customers and micro- entrepreneurs in order to increase access and avoid over-indebt- edness (e.g. risk models, behavior and income assumptions, remove biases and increase flexibility where feasible, integrate early warning indicators to advice customers and clients)	Volume of loans for low-income customers and microentrepreneurs per year, including recur- rence of use of products), increase by around 4% per year. Disburse approx. USD 60bn per year for both categories.
	70% of microentrepreneurs don't have access to credit	10% of our loan allocation focuses on micro- entre- preneurs whose over-in- debtedness is 30% higher compared to the total SMEs customer base		Provide free financial advisory services for low-income customers and microentrepre- neurs through digital platforms and external partnerships to address and minimize instances of over-indebted- ness amongst customers	100k over-indebted low-in- come clients to partici- pate in financial advisory programs annually, with an impact analysis carried out in two-year cycles to deter- mine efficiency.

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## Determine Measures and actions

An action plan is the **roadmap** that indicates the type of actions that the bank will take and the results that these actions should have in the short, medium and long term to ensure that the bank will eventually deliver the desired impact or target that it has set

Using the **pathway to impact**: define an action plan to achieve your impact target while mitigating any possible negative impacts

Using the **core indicators**: define KPIs you will use to track progress and set milestones for them





What are the main components of a robust action plan?

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A clear final target (sometimes accompanied by sub-targets that disaggregate the final targets in order to increase the effectiveness of the plan)



Clearly defined and measurable results in the short, medium and long term



Specific actions consistent with the context analysis and the baseline and are aimed at achieving clear results



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1. Your impact target and sub-targets created when the impact target was disaggregated. If you have not disaggregated your impact target, we recommend doing so.

#### Example:

- I want to increase the financial health of my clients
- I need sub-targets in each of the components against which I measured in my financial health indicator (resilience, confidence, planning, day-to-day management)

2. Are there progressive targets (for instance: Year 1 we must achieve X, Year 2 we must achieve Y, etc.)?



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Clearly defined and measurable results in the short, medium and long term

Results of banks' actions must generate are the outputs (short term) and outcomes (medium and long term).

Starting from indicators from your baseline:

- What needs to happen ("outcomes") and which value does this outcome indicator need to reach in order deliver my sub-targets and target? and to reach sub targets? Are there progressive values (year1, year2, etc)?
- On which actions results ("outputs") do these "outcomes" depend? Which value does this output indicator needs to reach so that I can reach the value I need in the outcome indicator it connects to? Are there progressive values (year1, year2, etc)?

What are the main components of a robust action plan?

**ProTip 1:** With progressive values for targets, sub-targets, outcomes and outputs you can generate a clearer timeline of which actions have to happen in each year.

NOTE: In our workshop we will not go into that detail.

In order to decrease by % of customers who would have difficulty in raising emergency funds or in covering with insurances an unexpected high expense (TARGET) I need to increase the % of clients successfully advised on the improvement of their financial conditions (OUTCOME)

In order to increase the % of clients successfully advised on the improvement of their financial conditions in the next three years (**OUTCOME**) I need to increase the # of people (customers and employees) supported with financial/digital education initiatives (**OUTPUT**) # in year 1, # in year 2, etc ...

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#### **Specific actions**

consistent with the context analysis and the baseline and are aimed at achieving clear results

Determine the actions to be carried out once you understand :

- the results that should be achieved to deliver the target
- · the baseline of these elements
- the country context in which the bank operates

What do I need in order to achieve each of the short-term outputs that generate the medium-term outcomes?

#### Several needs can be met with a single action.

Ex: a financial education program can address the need for more educated people, more banked people, and more people with effective access to basic financial products. Furthermore, it also helps with behavioral changes, strengthening skills and getting more people to use the bank's dedicated advisory services. Instead of creating an action for each of those elements, it is possible to create one to cover all.



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**Protip 2:** If you do not know the needs, then you must investigate, survey, or search transactional data to respond to the existing gaps (it also applies to the sub-targets). Therefore, the more complete the baseline, the easier it will be to build the action plan.

**ProTip 3:** Be clear about progressive targets because not all actions can be completed in year 1.



#### Determine measures and actions Actions

Actions should address several needs at the same time in order to increase their level of effectiveness.

4 categories – eventually bank has actions in all 4 categories:

Portfolio composition

**Client engagement** 

Improved internal policies and processes

Corporate citizenship, alliances and partnerships

Portfolio composition	Create digital solutions that improve motivation, skills and digital access	Reconfigure or develop products and services aimed at prioritized groups that do generate the desired results	Create platforms that meet the specific needs of specific groups, such as underbanked groups, entrepreneurs or the rural population	
Client engagement	Develop educational programs, informational material and digital and/or financial advice	Allow customers to test their financial knowledge with surveys or games with recommendations	Have financial health measurement tools that customers can use at any time and that give them recommendations for improvement	
Improved internal policies and processes	Improve the methodology for credit risk and over- indebtedness risk analysis	Incorporate early warning systems linked to financial behaviors that harm financial health	Improve the remuneration strategies of commercial teams so that they are linked to the improvement of the financial health of the clients	Improve risk models and behavior anticipation with transactional and/or survey data
Corporate citizenship, alliances and partnerships	Support the government in developing policies or regulations that promote financial inclusion and health and set clear targets and roles	Hire third parties with missions and purposes aligned with those of the bank and who are able to report on impact indicators	Alliances between banks, fintechs, NGOs and other organizations that participate in the financial life of people and companies and that help amplify the positive impact	

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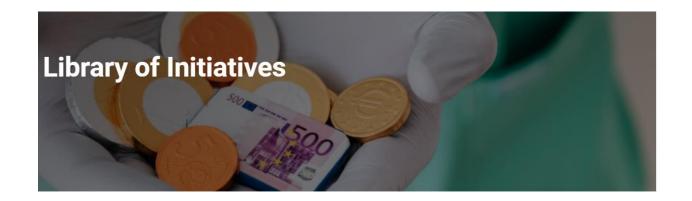


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#### **Library of Initiatives**

Looking for inspiration?

You can access the library of initiatives on the financial health and inclusion microsite.



Examples of how some banks (in the Working Group) are approaching financial health

Examples of how some banks (in the working group) are approaching financial inclusion

To access and download the latest version of the database, click here.



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#### Responsible Banking: Towards Real-world Impact

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The second biennial progress report on implementation of the UN Principles for Responsible Banking The latest PRB Progress Report September 2023 shows that signatory banks are making progress towards their commitment –

- embedding sustainability in their core business
- strengthening their impact analysis
- setting targets that respond to the most pressing needs of their societies
- putting in place effective governance from the most senior level of their organisations

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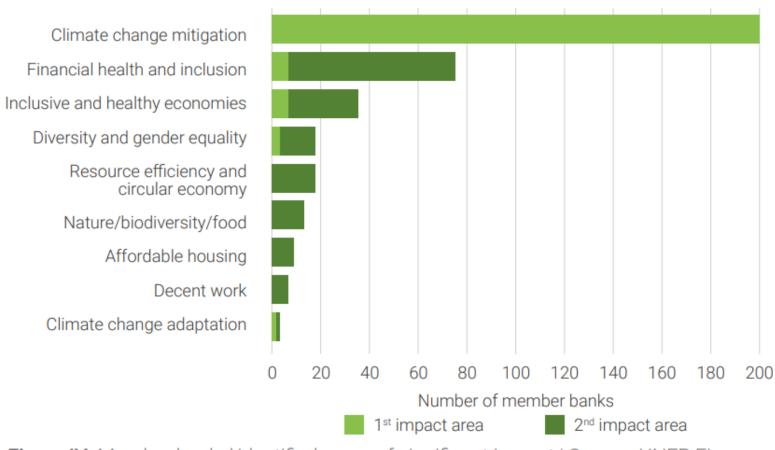
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#### Second PRB Progress Report September 2023: Impact areas



Majority of member banks in North America (100%), Europe (95%) and Asia Pacific (91%) prioritise climate change mitigation as their main impact area.

Figure IV: Member banks' identified areas of significant impact | Source: UNEP FI



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## Practical Case study Exercise Discussion Part 2

Returning to Genovia and Bank B, let's build the action plan and prioritize indicators to report.

By the way: Remember to take note of questions that arise from the process.



## After hearing the case study Discussion

- 1) Which key internal stakeholders do you believe should be involved in the work from the very beginning to facilitate steps 1-5?
- 2) What is the main takeaway from the case study and discussion?
- 3) Questions that arose from the process the bank went through?
- 4) Could you implement the five steps in your own organization?





Which key internal stakeholders do you believe should be involved in the work from the very beginning to facilitate steps 1-5?





# What is the main takeaway from the case study and discussion?





# Questions that arose from the process the bank went through?





# Could you implement the five steps in your own organization?



#### Learning Objectives: How to use the framework

To measure your bank's baseline:

- Use core indicators Benchmark to identify gaps that your bank can work on.
- Whenever possible, include historical data that can be disaggregated.

#### To set ambitious SMART goals:

- At least an ambitious impact-based target using some of the main indicators
- Analyze the bank's baseline data and seek to align with the country context.
- Determine priority groups (if applicable).
- Determine the baseline year for your goal (starting point).
- Set your goal in a way that is SMART and impact-driven.

#### To define an action plan:

- Use the Pathway to Impact to determine actions and measures to achieve your goal.
- Milestones/goals/stages can be set to show progress, using core indicators.
- Your bank can use the basic indicators, customized for your priority groups.







- ✓ **Identify good practices** when completing stages 1-5
- ✓ Understand the basis for **building a robust action plan**.
- ✓ Learn to define the key performance indicators against which progress towards SMART targets should be reported.

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