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The **Agenda 2030** and the **Paris Agreement** represent an ambitious plan that seeks to achieve prosperity that is respectful of the planet and its inhabitants, and which is therefore fully aligned with the vocation and mission of the rural savings banks that make up Grupo Cooperativo Cajamar.

The initiatives developed by the banking sector to support these aims include the **Principles for Responsible Banking (PRB)**. These principles make up the most important sustainable banking framework, with more than 300 signatory banks representing almost half of the global banking sector. In 2019, the Group joined as a founding signatory, demonstrating its position at the forefront of the sector with regard to sustainable finance. The initiative has allowed the Group to set objectives in its most significant areas of impact, thereby increasing its potential to contribute to the 2030 Agenda. In addition, and in relation to the climate and environmental matters, the Group has also been very proactive; since 2015 it has had an **Eco-Efficiency Plan** in place that includes reduction targets for its operational footprint and energy consumption.

The Group continues to promote and strengthen its commitment by implementing actions and adhering to relevant initiatives in the area of sustainability. As evidence of its ambition, it has identified four areas of impact to establish targets aligned with the **Sustainable Development Goals**, the **targets of the Paris Agreement**, and other relevant national, regional and international frameworks. One of the areas of impact identified by the Group is climate, and its target is to reduce net greenhouse emissions to zero by 2050.



Target

Reduce net greenhouse emissions to zero by the year 2050.

Target details

Align the Group's loan and investment portfolio, supporting its members and customers throughout the transition process towards a low carbon economy.



Target

Contribute to improving water use efficiency and reducing consumption for the agri-food industry, in particular, and society in general.

Target details

Convey experience and knowledge to ensure the availability of water in quantity and quality, becoming more efficient in its use and enabling sustainable development for the conservation of the planet.



Target

Achieve healthier, sustainable and affordable food for the population.

Target details

Promote and actively contribute to the sustainable, economic, and environmental development of the sector, being a role model and leader in the financial sector for the agri-food sector in Spain.



Target

Promote financial inclusion by generating a positive impact on the Group's surroundings and the communities where it is present.

Target details

Remove barriers and promote access to a range of products and services that are adapted, reliable and high quality, for different segments of the population.





Group's decarbonisation targets.

The Group has reaffirmed its commitment to combating climate change with a view to becoming a climate-neutral organisation by 2050, as evidenced by its adherence to two of the biggest and most widely renowned initiatives in this regard: the **Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi)** (joined in 2021); and the **Net-Zero Banking Alliance (NZBA)** initiative (joined in 2022); an alliance promoted by UNEP FI. Both initiatives call for the establishment of intermediate targets (based on the time horizon of 2030) that are consistent with the ultimate goal of achieving climate neutrality by 2050.

The Group has worked to set intermediate climate targets that will help to continue advancing towards the achievement of climate neutrality, focusing its efforts on reducing emissions from both its operational footprint (through the Group's Eco-efficiency plan) and its financed footprint. This will provide greater robustness to the de-carbonisation route undertaken, supporting its members and customers throughout the transition process towards a low-carbon economy.

As a result of its accession to the NZBA, the Group has initially identified three material sectors: Oil and gas, steel and energy. For each of them, a scenario analysis has been carried out and decarbonisation targets have been set and approved by the Board of Directors in 2023.

Grupo Cooperativo Cajamar intermediate decarbonisation targets

Portfolio sector	Scope of emissions	Metric	Reference scenario	Baseline year	Baseline metric	Target year	% reduction 2022-2030
Energy	1+2	KgCO₂eq/MWh	IEA Net Zero 2050	2022	111,1 KgCO₂eq/MWh	2030	38 %
Oil and gas	1+2+3	KgCO₂eq/GJ	IEA Net Zero 2050	2022	75,0 KgCO₂eq/GJ	2030	19 %
Steel	1+2	KgCO₂eq/t-Acero	IEA Net Zero 2050	2022	1.055,1 KgCO₂eq/t-Acero	2030	11 %

The reduction targets for the first material sectors of the Group's credit portfolio follow the Sectoral Decarbonization Approach (SDA) methodology, taking as a reference the 1.5°C scenarios of the International Energy Agency. Descarbonization targets will be updated as methodologies advance and companies publish decarbonisation targets.

In accordance with its pledge to the NZBA, the Group will continue to make progress in setting targets within its credit portfolio due to its material relevance in terms of exposure and the bank's ability to control it.