

## Coalition of development banks on gender equality

From Finance in Common (FiC) to the Gender Equality Forum (GEF) GA ALIDE –May 25th 2021

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#### I - The Statement

#### Context

#### → Event during FICS 11- 12 November 2020: organization of a HLE on gender equality (TSKB, AfDB, Findev Canada, UN Women, EIB, GCF and AFD)

The Finance in Common Summit @FinanceInCommon · 23h •••• "We need new partnerships & innovative financing to tackle growing gender inequalities. Major efforts have been made, and #PDBs have played an important part in this achievement, but we need to do more" @odelphine, Secretary General of the @GenEgaliteFR Forum #FinanceinCommon2020





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#### I - The Statement

## Context

# Outcome of the event : the PDBs statement on gender equality and women's empowerment

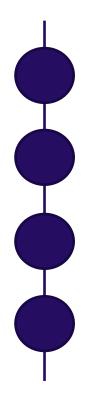
## ✓ 26 signatories

#### ✓ Result of a collective work in connection with nearly 15 banks



#### I - The Statement

## 4 priority axes



**Goal 1:** Strengthen accountability for gender equality through the development of gender equality strategies in the institutional practices of the signatory banks;

**Goal 2:** Increase and/or re-orient funding for gender equality actions, making it possible to set an ambitious and progressive objective based on a shared methodology;

**Goal 3:** Integrate gender issues into climate and biodiversity commitments;

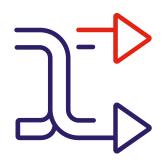
**Goal 4:** Strengthen dialogue with the actors involved in the fight against gender inequality and in particular with civil society.

 $\rightarrow$  The signatories of the statement commit themselves to work together on the different goals and outcomes, in order to collectively showcase concrete results during the Generation Equality Forum in Paris by June/July 2021.

#### II- The workstreams from FICS until GEF

#### Workstreams :

- 1. Funding for gender equality
- 2. Good practices and accountability



#### Workstream Goals :

- Strengthen alliances between development banks on gender equality
- Show that they are key players at Generation Equality Forum in the response to the 2030 global agenda on the SDGs.
- > Add more signatories to the Statement.

#### II- The workstreams from FICS until GEF

#### Governance

#### Who?

➤ A Co-Secretariat led by AFD and UN Women

- Members : the development banks
  - ➤ Banks –signatories of the statement
  - ➢ Banking network
  - ➤ Banks- prospective signatories
  - $\rightarrow$  gender leadership level

➢ Partners : IO, CSO, think tanks

## Members are only development banks and can participate in decision-making.

#### When ?

- Concurrent for both workstreams
- Plenary session + 4 sessions + Closing Session before the GEF



#### II- The workstreams from FICS until GEF

## **Group 1 : Funding for Gender Equality**



#### Led by UNWOMEN

This working group show how PDBs are key players in the Generation Equality Forum and achieving the 2030 global agenda on the SDGs.

Working group sessions provided an opportunity to:

- Present and discuss existing frameworks and methodologies and best practices for measuring and counting contributions to GE which includes both quantitative and qualitative criteria.
- Review opportunities for alignment between commonly known frameworks such as 2X and OECD DAC Gender Marker as well as many priorietary methodolgies.
- Actively collaborate together, strentghening networks promote peer –to peer learning.

The ultimate objective being to increase and/or re-orient funding for gender equality actions

#### II – Presentation of the groups and the work program

## Group 2: Good practices and accountability

#### Led by AFD



The working group will focus on goals 1, 3 and 4 of the statement

#### Goals

- Encourage transparent accountability mechanisms of committed development banks on gender equality
- > Share expertise and good practices both on their external and internal action.
- Integrate gender issues into climate and biodiversity commitments

#### II – Presentation of the groups and the work program

#### Group 2: Good practices and accountability

#### 4 sessions:

- ✓ Session 1 Internal practices and accountability
- Session 2 External practices and accountability
- Session 3 Gender and climate
- ✓ Session 4 Wrap-up session

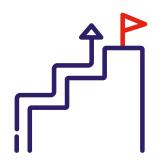


#### For each session:

- ✓ Presentation of case studies
- ✓ 3 options presented by the Secretariat (minimum to the most ambitious)
- ✓ Time of discussion and negotiation (45 min)
- $\checkmark$  Start to work on the collective objective

 $\rightarrow$  a questionnaire to prepare the sessions

#### III – Expected results and deliverables at the GEF



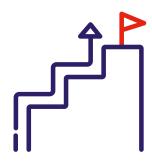
#### **Expected results:**

Position development banks as major actors for commitments on gender equality at the GEF through the presentation of deliverable(s).

#### **During GEF**:

- More signatories to the Declaration and, if possible, all working group participants
- An event during the GEF to present the collective work
- A restitution report on members' practices (methodologies, internal/external practices including gender and climate initiatives)

#### III – Expected results and deliverables at the GEF



#### List of possible deliverables

- A collective initiative on a gender and climate themes
- Adoption of WEPs by new members
- Adoption of a SEAH policy inspired by WB and OECD
- Continuation of the CGDEV survey on external and internal practices on gender equality

And further anouncements, so... stay tuned!

#### Next steps and conclusion

#### >What possible options?

- $\succ$  Sign the statement;
- > Interested in participating into the workstreams;
- Connect to the GEF event

→ For all of them, please send an email to mesbahm@afd.fr and diana.rusu@unwomen.org



