

Principles for Responsible Banking

# **GLOBALANCE BANK – ZURICH, SWITZERLAND**

# **Reporting and Self-Assessment Template**

The following table sets out the reporting and self-assessment requirements for Signatories of the Principles for Responsible Banking. Signatory banks need to report on their implementation of the Principles the first time within latest 18 months after signing and annually thereafter (in line with their annual reporting cycle).

### How to use this template:

This template does NOT require your bank to produce an additional report. Rather, this template is designed for your bank to provide references/links to where in your existing reporting/public domains the required information can be found. The aim is to keep additional reporting burden to a minimum while ensuring transparency and accountability as set out in Principle 6.

Within this reporting template, there are six areas for self-assessment that are key to showing that your bank is fulfilling its commitments as a signatory of the Principles for Responsible Banking. They are highlighted.

- 1. Impact Analysis
- 2. Target Setting
- 3. Plans for Target Implementation and Monitoring
- 4. Progress on Implementing Targets
- 5. Governance Structure for Implementation of the Principles
- 6. Progress on Implementing the Principles for Responsible Banking

Only for these six highlighted items, it is required that:

- a) An assurer provides limited assurance of your self-assessment. You can do this by including it in your existing assured reporting. Where third-party assurance is not feasible, an independent review may be conducted.
- b) You provide your bank's conclusion/statement if it has fulfilled the respective requirements.

#### Accommodating different starting points:

Banks have different starting points and operate in different contexts. Your bank may not be able to provide all information required in this template the first time you report. That is fine. Your bank has up to four years from signing to bring its reporting fully in line with the requirements. Feedback, support and peer learning are available to all signatory banks to help them progress with both implementation and reporting.



Reporting and Self-Assessment Requirements	High-level summary of bank's response (limited assurance required for responses to highlighted items)	Reference(s)/ Link(s) to bank's full response/ relevant information
and society's goals	ent usiness strategy to be consistent with and contribute to , as expressed in the Sustainable Development Goals, th evant national and regional frameworks.	
1.1 Describe (high-level) your bank's business model, including the main customer segments served, types of products and services provided, the main sectors and types of activities, and where relevant the technologies financed across the main geographies in which your bank has operations or provides products and services.	<ul> <li>We focus exclusively on sustainable wealth- management for private clients. Ours are multi-asset- class-impact portfolios.</li> <li>Our customer segments are private individuals, family offices and foundations.</li> <li>Our own operations are in Switzerland only.</li> <li>Our customer's investment portfolios are multi-asset- class-impact and global.</li> <li>Please note our B Corp Certification which has been renewed 2022 (following a more demanding assessment-framework for banks). In 2017, Globalance has been the first Swiss bank to be B Corp- certified.</li> </ul>	https://www.glob alance.com/en/in vestment- philosophy/ https://www.bcor poration.net/en- us/find-a-b- corp/company/gl obalance-bank/
1.2 Describe how your bank has aligned and/or is planning to align its strategy to be consistent with and contribute to society's goals, as expressed in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the Paris Climate Agreement, and relevant national and regional frameworks.	These goals are even written into our legal company charter, approved by the Swiss Finance Supervisory Authority. Globalance is developing and applying its own proprietary impact-assessment methodology, the Globalance Footprint. The SDGs (and MDGs prior) have been fully integrated in the indicator-framework of the Globalance Footprint from its inception. Furthermore, we have been among the first financial services company to include the climate metric "Portfolio Warming Potential" into all our reporting and on our platform Globalance World, which we have made publicly available for free world-wide.	Portfolio SD- Assessments: <u>https://fe.globala</u> <u>nceworld.com/Ea</u> gJA8QsTQzk3JFsn /footprint Portfolio Climate Assessments: <u>https://fe.globala</u> <u>nceworld.com/Ea</u> gJA8QsTQzk3JFsn /climate



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## Principle 2: Impact and Target Setting

We will continuously increase our positive impacts while reducing the negative impacts on, and managing the risks to, people and environment resulting from our activities, products and services. To this end, we will set and publish targets where we can have the most significant impacts.

# 2.1 Impact Analysis:

Show that your bank has identified the areas in which it has its most significant (potential) positive and negative impact through an impact analysis that fulfills the following elements:

- a) <u>Scope:</u> The bank's core business areas, products/services across the main geographies that the bank operates in have been as described under 1.1. have been considered in the scope of the analysis.
- b) <u>Scale of Exposure:</u> In identifying its areas of most significant impact the bank has considered where its core business/its major activities lie in terms of industries, technologies and geographies.
- c) <u>Context & Relevance</u>: Your bank has taken into account the most relevant challenges and priorities related to sustainable development in the countries/regions in which it operates.
- d) Scale and intensity/salience of impact: In identifying its areas of most significant impact, the bank has considered the scale and intensity/salience of the (potential) social, economic and environmental impacts resulting from the bank's activities and provision of products and services.
   (your bank should have engaged with relevant stakeholders to help

### a) Scope

Wealth Management is our core business. Globalance invests in liquid and illiquid assets worldwide.

Our "Investor's Impact" is achieved through the sustainable investment policy of all our client assets. In the liquid sector, we focus on divestment and active selection of sustainable investments. Additional impact is created through the systematic exercise of voting rights and engagement. See our upcoming Globalance Engagement Report 2021.

# b) Scale of Exposure

We invest in assets worldwide and across different technologies which can scale solutions with positive impact. We therefore do not invest into companies which harm these goals (i.e. fossil fuel industry, traditional cars, pharma with bad pricing strategies etc). We do not support old business models, instead we invest into future movers.

# c) Context & Relevance

Our Globalance Footprint weighs materiality with regard to product impact. Furthermore, we apply international materiality standards, such as SASB, to inform our investmentimpact assessments.

# d) Scale and intensity/salience of impact

As confirmed by B Corporation, our most significant positive impact is achieved through the consistent

# B Corp confirmation: https://www.glob alance.com/en/a wards/bcorporationaward-2/

Full transparency on sustainable impact in realtime, e.g. one of our funds:

https://fe.globala nceworld.com/6T CdJX7GbSdzuRSN y/climate



inform your analysis under	sustainable investing of our client's
elements c) and d))	wealth.
Show that building on this analysis,	Identification of positive and negative
the bank has	impacts of our portfolio
<ul> <li>Identified and disclosed its areas of</li> </ul>	Our multi-asset-class-impact strategies
most significant (potential) positive	are applied to all our discretionary
and negative impact	mandates as well as our funds.
<ul> <li>Identified strategic business</li> </ul>	
opportunities in relation to the	For all portfolios mentioned above,
increase of positive impacts /	impact analysis is available on
reduction of negative impacts	Globalance World.
	Globalance World is a personalised
	digital world map that allows you to
	discover the impact and returns of your
	wealth. Dive in and assess in real-time
	how sustainable, future-fit and
	profitable your investments are.

Please provide your bank's conclusion/statement if it has fulfilled the requirements regarding Impact Analysis.

As a consequence of our goal setting, all our strategies have improved their alignment and impact regarding global SD- and climate-goals. We are one of the few wealth managers which has achieved a Warming Potential of 2C (which signals compliance with the Paris Climate Goals).

Globalance contributes to the paradigm shift of the financial sector as an entrepreneurial "pure-play" initiative. We are recognized by third parties as pioneers for our innovative strength.



	•	Impact Reporting:
2.2 Target Setting	assessment is publicly available.	
<ul> <li>2.2 Target Setting</li> <li>Show that the bank has set and published a minimum of two Specific, Measurable (can be qualitative or quantitative), Achievable, Relevant and Time-bound (SMART) targets, which address at least two of the identified "areas of most significant impact", resulting from the bank's activities and provision of products and services.</li> <li>Show that these targets are linked to and drive alignment with and greater contribution to appropriate Sustainable Development Goals, the goals of the Paris Agreement, and other relevant international, national or regional frameworks. The bank should have identified a baseline (assessed against a particular year) and have set targets against this baseline.</li> <li>Show that the bank has analysed and acknowledged significant (potential) negative impacts of the SDG/climate change/society's goals and that it has set out relevant actions to mitigate those as far as feasible to maximize the net positive impact of the set targets.</li> </ul>	The Globalance sustainable impact assessment is publicly available. Last year, we have set goals to improve overall sustainable impact (Globalance Footprint) as well as the climate performance (Warming Potential). These, we have achieved. Our internal developed goal-setting framework (Objectives and Key Results, OKR) contains this target for our investment team (Research + Portfolio Management), including our Head Investments (CIO). Negative impacts regarding Global Compact, Controversies, fossil energy sources and more are monitored and serve as exclusion criteria in our investment selection.	Impact Reporting: https://fe.globala nceworld.com/6T CdJX7GbSdzuRSN y/climate

Please provide your bank's conclusion/statement if it has fulfilled the requirements regarding Target Setting.

Globalance is complying.



2.3 Plans for Target Implementation and Monitoring	Our Management Team has established new goals as part of our OKR- framework.	
Show that your bank has defined actions and milestones to meet the set targets. Show that your bank has put in place the means to measure and monitor progress against the set targets. Definitions of key performance indicators, any changes in these definitions, and any rebasing of baselines should be transparent.	In particular, the new Implicit Temperature Rise-metric (ITR) will be implemented to set goals and measure performance regarding the Paris-goals (ITR has been selected as international standard by the Net Zero Alliances from COP in Glasgow). This will be our key metric going forward. We have set the goal to bring all portfolios well below 2C as soon as possible.	
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	We have received confirmation in	
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Please provide your bank's conclusion/statement if it has fulfilled the requirements regarding Progress on Implementing Targets



# Globalance is complying.



# Principle 3: Clients and Customers

We will work responsibly with our clients and our customers to encourage sustainable practices and enable economic activities that create shared prosperity for current and future generations.

3.1 <i>Provide an overview</i> of the policies and practices your bank has in place and/or is planning to put in place to promote responsible relationships with its customers. This should include high-level information on any programmes and actions implemented (and/or planned), their scale and, where possible, the results thereof.	As a regulated Swiss bank, the core client-processes are stipulated by law and supervised by the authorities. Globalance has been founded on the premise of a simple and fair client- relationship: no conflicts of interest, no hidden costs, no kick-backs, no short- term cash incentives for our team, etc. The core is built around continuous empowerment of asset owners. We inform, educate and consult on their sustainable impact preferences and ambition. Our unmatched transparency is key to deliver complete, easy accessible and understandable accountability to customers.	
<b>3.2</b> <i>Describe</i> how your bank has worked with and/or is planning to work with its clients and customers to encourage sustainable practices and enable sustainable economic activities. This should include information on actions planned/implemented, products and services developed, and, where possible, the impacts achieved.	In 2021 we have developed a series of educational learning-modules for customers to use. The key is personal relationships. In addition, we offer weekly sessions for clients to learn about issues related to sustainable investing. Our most effective instrument are portfolio-checks of future and existing clients: anyone can upload any investment-portfolio from any supplier onto Globalance World. We then offer an "X-ray" of current sustainability metrics. We have already accumulated a large number of users who have taken these assessments to demand more from their current wealth managers (or to become a Globalance customer).	



	In our communication, we provide extensive explanatory content, for example here: <u>https://fe.globalanceworld.com/insight</u> <u>S</u>	
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Principle 4: Stakeholders We will proactively and responsibly consult, engage and partner with relevant stakeholders to achieve society's goals.

		See multiple
		media-coverage
		promoting
		sustainable
		investing via
		Globalance:
	See our extensive reporting related to our B	
	Corporation-Certification.	https://www.glob
		alance.com/en/m
	Globalance as grown to be a showcase in	edia-press/
	Switzerland and beyond – and we have	<u> </u>
	become an important point of reference and	Important
	expertise for media.	international
		coverage:
	Shareholder Engagement with companies,	
	fund managers and projects is a key	Forbes: «The
4.1 <i>Describe</i> which stakeholders (or	mechanism to leverage our impact. See our	Data Challenge»):
groups/types of stakeholders)	Engagement Report (upcoming).	https://www.forb
your bank has consulted,		es.com/sites/forb
engaged, collaborated or	We participate in engagement pools, investors	esfinancecouncil/
partnered with for the purpose	coalitions as well as investment partners (e.g.	2022/02/24/inno
of implementing these	fund managers). Examples are:	vation-is-key-to-
Principles and improving your		enabling-holistic-
bank's impacts. This should	CSP - Center for Sustainable Finance and	sustainable-
include a high-level overview of	Private Wealth (University of Zurich)	investing/amp/
how your bank has identified		<u>investing/amp/</u>
relevant stakeholders and what	CDP	Financial Times:
issues were addressed/results		https://www.ft.co
achieved.	Swiss Sustainable Finance association	m/content/2489b
		5f5-d82d-44ec-
	We have a policy to engage with all students,	be4f-
	academics and scientific coalitions to promote	911ba766711a
	our vision and/or participate in education and	
	research.	
		FastCompany:
	Also, locally, we select suppliers who match	https://www.fast
	our sustainability commitments.	company.com/90
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Principle 5: Governance & We will implement our con culture of responsible ban	mmitment to these Principles through effective g	overnance and a
5.1 <i>Describe</i> the relevant governance structures, policies and procedures your bank has in place/is planning to put in place to manage significant positive and negative	Our commitment to sustainable investment is explicitly reference in our legal Charter. The same applies to our Boards responsibility to guide and oversee the implementation of these sustainability principles across our business.	
(potential) impacts and support effective implementation of the Principles.	Management is well aligned with our purpose as they are pioneers in sustainable investing. 70% of the company is owned by management team. Our founders are active on a day to day basis	
5.2 <i>Describe</i> the initiatives and measures your bank has	and foster this mission-driven culture daily. As a values-led and purpose-driven pure play company, it starts with selecting employees who are aligned with our values.	
implemented or is planning to implement to foster a culture of responsible banking among its employees. This should include a high-level overview of capacity building, inclusion in remuneration structures and performance management and	The key to our culture is the absence of short- term financial incentives. Rather, we have an employee ownership program which is long- term (all employees own shares in the company instead of cash-payments, we allocate employee-shares). This helps align our long-term orientation and team buy-in. There are no sales-targets.	
leadership communication, amongst others.	The sustainable impact-culture is best fostered through our investment decisions: Each one of these is proof of our mission and professional standard.	
	Ongoing training is critical: We have established a Globalance Academy will	



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	accelerate and deepen our training for every employee.	
	See above: Board direction and oversight;	
5.3 Governance Structure for	Management with explicit goals as part of our	
Implementation of the	OKRs.	
Principles		
Show that your bank has a		
governance structure in place		
for the implementation of the		
PRB, including:		
a) target-setting and actions to		
achieve targets set		
b) remedial action in the event		
of targets or milestones not		
being achieved or unexpected		
negative impacts being		
detected.		
	atement if it has fulfilled the requirements regard	ling Governance
Structure for Implementation of the Prince	liples.	
Globalance is complying.		
Our founding team has been recognized a	as pioneers in sustainable finance in the last 30 ye	ars
	balance-story/) . We founded robecoSAM and cre	
Jones Sustainability Index. By founding Gl	obalance as a new, pure play wealth managemen	t boutique, we set
another milestone which helps advance the	he paradigm shift in finance.	



contribution to society's goals.	ccountable for our positive and negative impacts and o	ur
	We have referenced the renewed, more	
.1 Progress on Implementing the	demanding B Corp-Certification above,	
Principles	as well as the Art. 9 SFDR classification	
Philoples		
Show that your bank has progressed	of our investment-funds by the EU.	
on implementing the six Principles	Also, the implementation of the ITR-	
over the last 12 months (up to 18	climate metric is a direct consequence	
months in your first reporting after	of the new international standards	
becoming a signatory) in addition to	which have been set by the net zero-	
the setting and implementation of	alliances at COP in Glasgow.	
targets in minimum two areas (see		
2.1-2.4).	The Swiss authorities are considering	
2.1 2.7].	designating a similar ITR-climate metric	
Show that your bank has considered	as mandatory for ALL financial products	
existing and emerging	in the country. Globalance is actively	
international/regional good practices	lobbying for such a stringent standard.	
relevant for the implementation of	lobbying for such a stringent standard.	
the six Principles for Responsible	Globalance is receiving multiple	
Banking. Based on this, it has defined	international awards confirming its	
priorities and ambitions to align with	leading position in sustainable finance:	
good practice.	https://www.globalance.com/en/award	
	s/	
Show that your bank has		
implemented/is working on		
implementing changes in existing		
practices to reflect and be in line with		
existing and emerging		
international/regional good practices		
and has made progress on its		
implementation of these Principles.		

Globalance is complying.

#### Annex: Definitions

 a. Impact: An impact is commonly understood as being a change in outcome for a stakeholder. In the context of these Principles this means (aligned with GRI definition) the effect a bank has on people/the society, the economy and the environment and with that on sustainable development. Impacts may be positive or



negative, direct or indirect, actual or potential, intended or unintended, short-term or long-term.

b. Significant Impact: Impact that in terms of scale and/or intensity/salience results in a particularly strong/relevant change in outcome for a stakeholder. In the context of these Principles, the concept of *significant* impact is used to ensure banks focus where their actions/business (can) matter most for people, economy and environment and to provide a reasonable and practical threshold for what issues need to be considered/included, similar to the concept of "materiality".