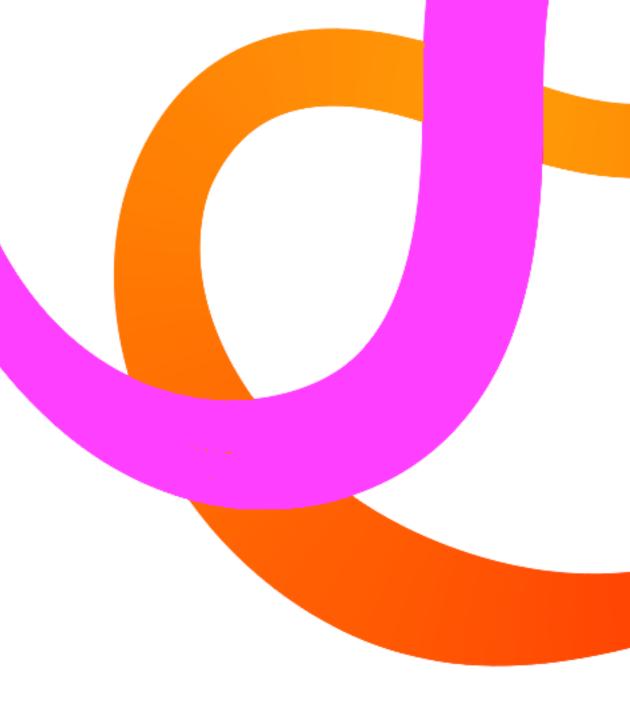


# A sustainable company from its foundation

**ESG Investor Presentation** 

March 2024







#### illimity at a glance



2023-25 Sustainability Plan



Commitment to the environment



**People and Social footprint** 

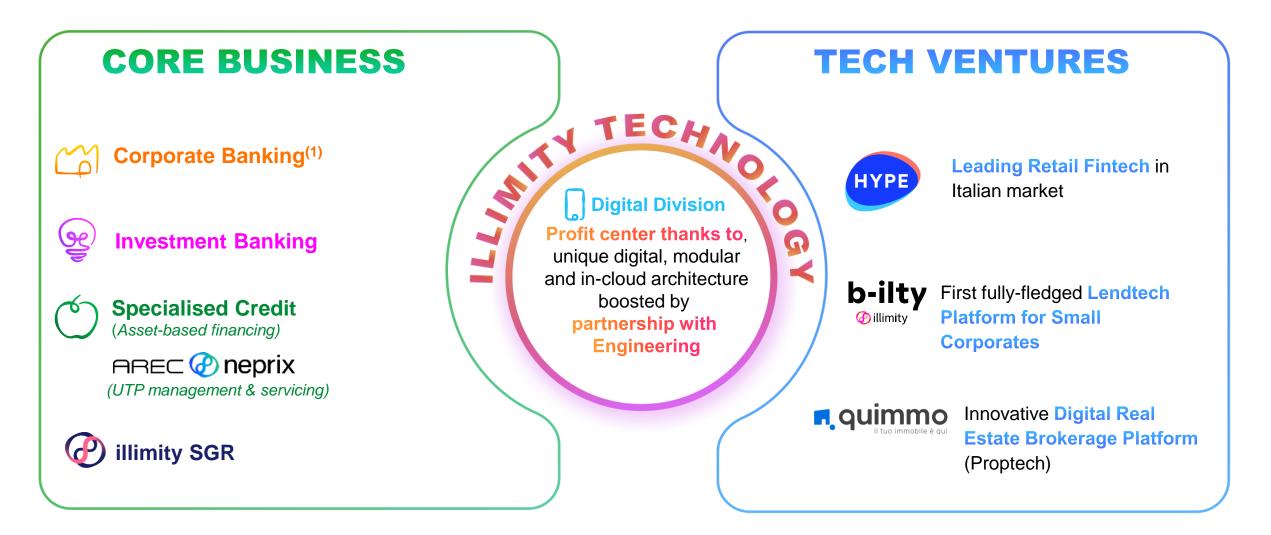


Governance

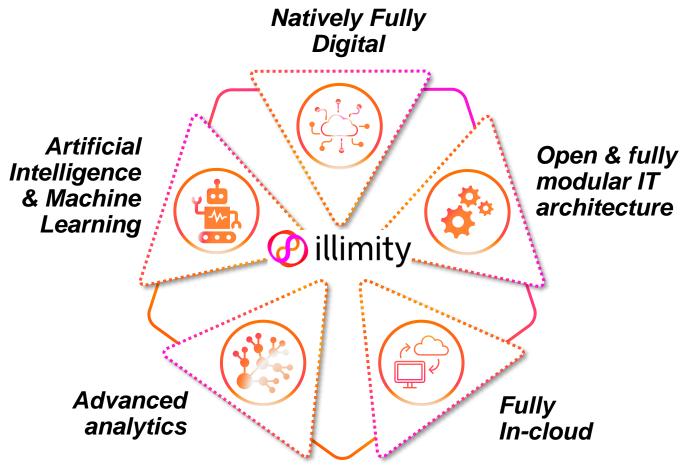


Sustainable finance

# New paradigm bank technology driven



# Native fully digital with a new generation IT architecture that led to a strong competitive advantage in technology



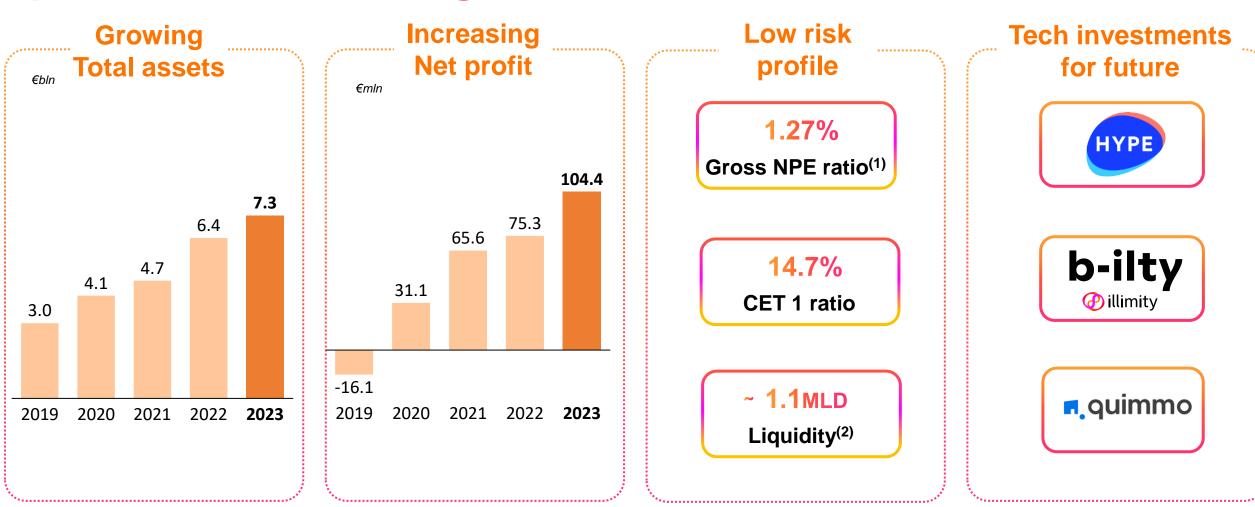
- Pervasive digitalisation in our products, processes and procedures with data-driven decision making
- Open architecture to foster innovation and increase efficiency
- Combination of digital & human

illimity one of only 24 Italian companies included in





# Progression in volumes and profitability keeping low risk profile while investing for future



(1) Excluding NPE covered by public guarantees (2) Including Cash and High Quality Liquid Assets



# Strong commitment to sustainability led to important ESG achievements

#### **Environmental**



Green, Social & Sustainability-linked Loans Framework embedded in the credit offer



Carbon Neutrality Scope 1&2 & disclosure of Scope 3 cat. 15 "Investments" according to PCAF & GHG Protocol



100% of electricity used from renewable sources at the Group's main locations



Art. 8 SFDR "Selective Credit Fund" launched by illimity SGR

#### Social



3 consecutive years in Europe and 5 in Italy, as a Great Place to Work



Adoption of an internal Anti-harassment Policy inspired by ILO & UN principles



Confirmation of Gender equality certification UNI PdR 125:2022



Doubled the number of women in managerial roles

#### Governance



"AA" by MSCI moving from "Average" to "Leader" in its industry



Signatory of

PRINCIPLES FOR RESPONSIBLE BANKING

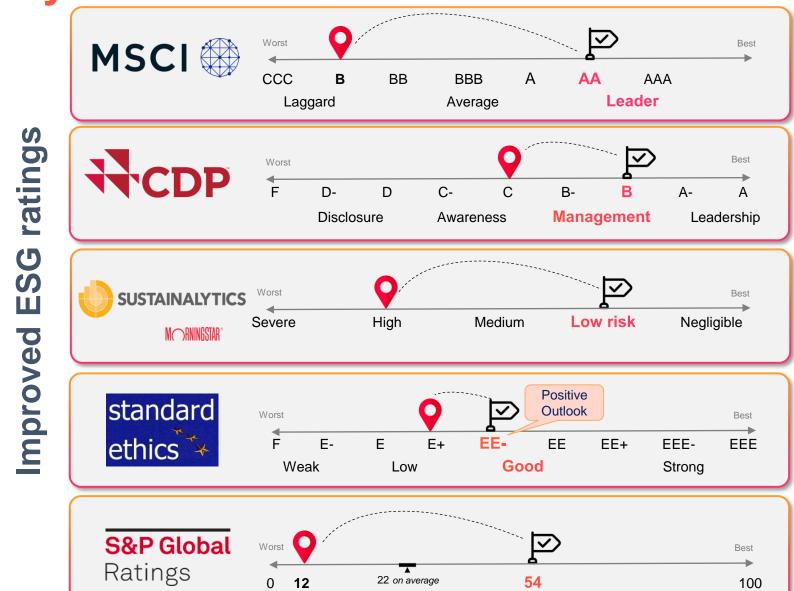


Adoption of an ESG Investment Policy for corporate finance



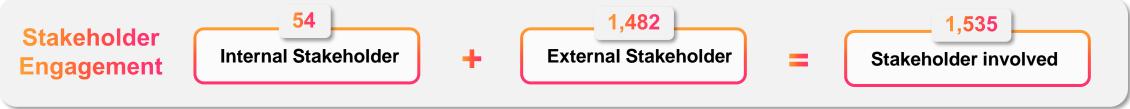
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ESG rating improvements confirmed illimity's continual sustainability efforts: FY21 vs. FY23

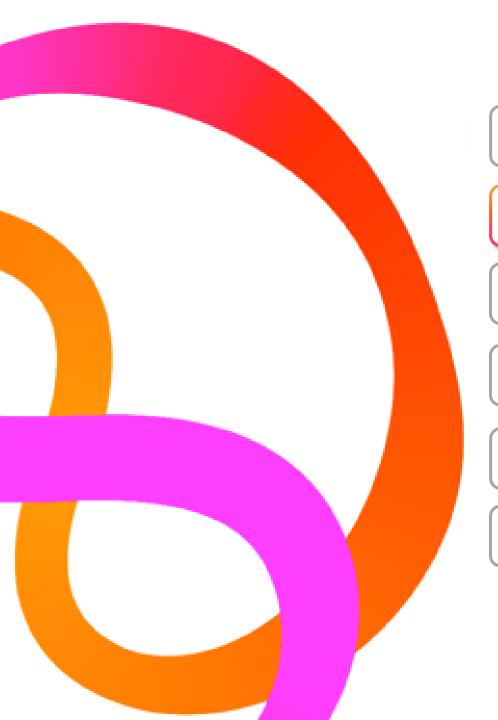




# Materials themes addressed in illimity sustainability report









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# 2023-2025 Sustainability Plan: rational and main pillars



Starting from a solid baseline built on the important ESG achievements, illimity decided to further strengthened its commitment to sustainability by integrating more extensively detailed **qualitative** and **quantitative 2025 targets**, in order to:

Meet the growing needs of the market and ESG rating agencies

Position the Bank among the best practices of the Italian banking sector

Implement feedback received from investors during engagement activities



The environmental targets focus
on the urgent issue of
transitioning to a net-zero
economy, in which illimity,
plays and will play, a key role in
supporting and assisting the
financed businesses in that
process.



#### Social

The social targets were reinforced through commitments regarding diversity and inclusion, including gender equality certification and initiatives to raise awareness among employees.



#### Governance

Since its inception, illimity has aligned with the best practices regarding the integration of sustainability into the business strategies, processes, policies and governance of the Group, with the goal of consolidating that positioning



# **Environment**

# 2023-2025 Sustainability Plan: Environment

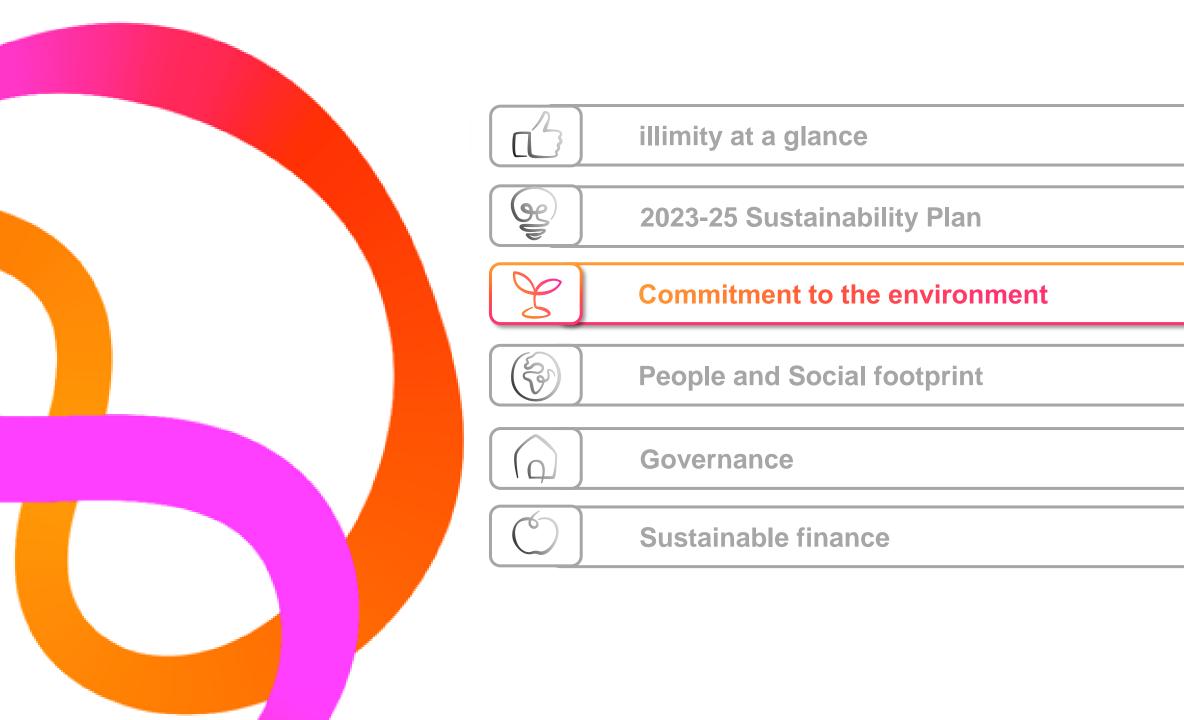
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AREA	TARGET	STATUS
	Maintain of the Group's carbon neutrality (Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions)	
Carbon Footprint	Measure the so-called "financed emissions" (Scope 3)	
	Adress the so-called "financed emissions" (Scope 3)	Ongoing
Energy Desk	Reactivation of renewable energy plans through the Energy Desk	Ongoing
ESG in the RAF	Integration of ESG factors in the credit assessment and Risk Appetite Framework (RAF)	$\checkmark$
Energy used	Reach 100% of electricity energy used from renewable sources at the Group's main location	$\checkmark$
FSC Paper	Maintain 100% use of FSC paper throughout the Group	$\checkmark$
Environmental Policy	Develop an environmental policy at Group level	Ongoing
Environmental KPIs in Real Estate	Consider the environmental and climate impacts in the appraisal and management of Real Estate asset	Ongoing
	Develop the offering and framework for sustainable finance products)	
Green Loans and sustainable finance	Develop ESG support/advisory services for SMEs	Ongoing
	Reach 15% on cumulative business origination volumes for sustainable finance	Ongoing
ESG Asset Management	Launch of SGR fund with ESG characteristics	
Climate Disclosure	Reporting aligned with TCFD disclosure	



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# Among the lowest environmental impacts within the sector



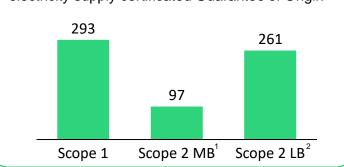
**ilimity's business model**, with no physical branches and a 100% digital infrastructure, which is completely cloud-based, is **designed to minimize direct environmental impact** and intrinsically **contrast climate change** 

#### **Carbon Neutrality**



illimity is carbon neutral since 2020 thanks to carbon offsets (purchased voluntary carbon credits) compensating Scope 1 and Scope 2

# Scope 1 and 2 Low emissions Scope 2 market-based thanks to electricity supply certificated Guarantee of Origin



#### Scope 3 disclosure

Enlargement of reporting Scope 3 emissions

- Cat. 1 Purchased Goods and Services
- Cat. 3 Fuel- and Energy-Related Activities



- · Cat. 5 Waste generated in operations
- Cat. 6 Business Travel
- · Cat. 7 Employee Commuting
- Cat. 15 Investments (financed emissions)

#### **Renewable Electricity Energy**

83%

Thanks to a gradually increase of electricity purchased with a Guarantee of Origination certificate

#### **Emission Intensity**

0.6

Scope 1 & 2 emissions (location-based approach) for FTE (full-time contract).

Among the lowest in the sector (Sector avg. 1.63).

#### **TCFD** disclosure

2023 Reporting on climate-related issues are aligned with the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate Related Financial Disclosure (TCFD).



## **Environmental factors included in the credit risk**

assessment and RAF

#### **ESG Factors in our Credit Policy**

We assess and monitor the **ESG risks of the** counterparties that we finance.

This occurs through the obtaining of solicited and unsolicited ESG external ratings, which include environmental and climate indicators.

#### Key ESG elements of Credit Policy:

- List of excluded sectors
- Use of solicited ratings via questionnaire
- Use of ESG unsolicited rating of a third party

#### **RAF 2023**

ESG Indicators	Frequency	
ESG scores of financed counterparties		
Physical and hydrogeological risk scores related to NP portfolio collaterals		
Sustainable finance targets in terms of volumes of loans disbursed/financial instruments purchased	Quarterly	
ESG rating assigned to illimity Group		
Operating losses generated by ESG factors		
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illimity Emission intensity (Scope 1+2 for FTE)	Six-monthly target	

#### **Scenario Analysis**



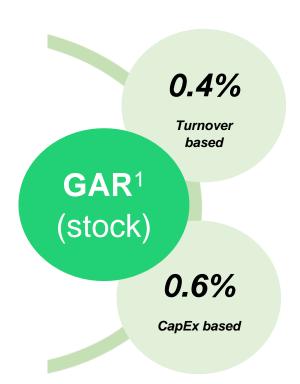
- By using data from *Oxford Economics*, we implemented 3 scenarios: 'Net Zero'; 'No Further Action' and 'Delayed Transition', considering 50+ variables (GDP, consumer price index, carbon emissions, unemployment rate, etc).
- The in-house satellite model allows us to estimate the impacts on Bankit DR (Default Rates), resulting in shocks to be applied to the PD (Probability of Default) of illimity over a forecast horizon of up to 30 years.



# **EU Taxonomy Eligibility Reporting FY23**



**Assets eligible** for the EU Taxonomy are approximately **2%** of total assets Alignment is represented by the GAR for the stock at 31 Dec 2023



GAR is impacted by the illimity's loan book mainly represented by **SMEs not subject to NFRD** obligations.

	FY	FY22	
	Turnover	СарЕх	Turnover
Voluntary Eligibility <sup>2</sup> (6 environmental objectives for undertakings subject and not to NFRD)	17.4%	17.7%	17.1%
Voluntary Alignment <sup>2</sup> (climate change mitigation and adaptation objectives for undertakings subject and not to NFRD)	2.9%	3.1%	n.a.



<sup>(1)</sup> Please refer to the templates in the Appendix in the Non-Financial Declaration published on the website https://www.illimity.com/en/sustainability/report, which constitute the mandatory information regarding the EU Taxonomy by Group illimity banking with reference to the financial year 2023, pursuant to Annex V of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2178 and subsequent Delegated Acts and Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214. The parameters above, below and in the Appendix relating to the EU Taxonomy have not been subject to external review and have been prepared to the best of our ability and known

The above analysis, of a voluntary nature, relating to the admissibility and alignment of exposures to non-financial undertakings not subject to NFRD obligations is therefore reported only for analysis purposes on a purely statistical basis, not constituting specific Taxonomy information

# Financed emissions: Scope 3 - Category 15 (Investments)

Calculation of financed emissions of illimity by sector, as of 31.12.2023, in terms of **exposure in M€**; Scope 3 **financed emissions** (absolute and in %) and **Carbon Footprint** in tCO2/M€.

	FY2023	FY2022
Financed emissions	<b>0.73</b> MtCO <sub>2</sub> e -6% Y/Y	0.79 MtCO <sub>2</sub> e
Carbon footprint	150 tCO₂e/M€ invested -20% Y/Y	187 tCO₂e/M€ invested
Coverage	66%	63%

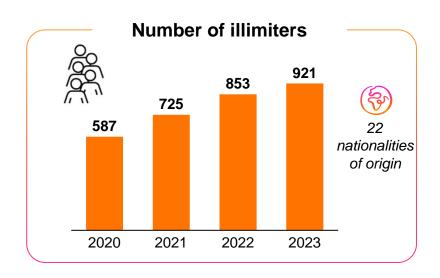
	Exposures Financed Emi		issions Scope 3	Carbon Footprint
SETTORE	[M€]	[tCO2]	[%]	[tCO2/M€ exposure]
C - Manufacturing	1.257	274.160	37%	218
K - Financial and Insurance Activities	1.347	118.310	16%	88
H - Transportation and Storage	391	94.692	13%	242
D - Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply	123	60.146	8%	490
G - Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	402	52.547	7%	131
A - Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	57	37.179	5%	652
F - Construction	304	32.787	4%	108
M - Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	317	20.209	3%	64
I - Accommodation and Food Service Activities	82	9.357	1%	114
B - Mining and Quarrying	11	8.255	1%	738
L - Real Estate Activities	276	5.696	1%	21
N - Administrative and Support Service Activities	111	6.125	1%	55
J - Information and Communication	130	4.508	1%	35
E - Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	8	4.080	1%	513
Q - Human Health and Social Work Activities	68	3.882	1%	57
S - Other Service Activities	18	1.902	0,3%	105
R - Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	6	962	0,1%	160
P - Education	5	96	0,01%	19
O - Public Administration and Defence; Compulsory Social Security	0,002	0,3	0,00004%	151
	4.913	734.893	100%	150

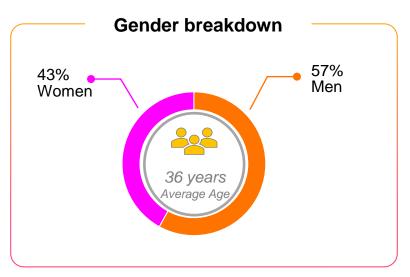
The financed emissions shown in the table do not include the share relating to **government bonds**, whose Carbon Footprint is **121 tCO2/M€** exposure



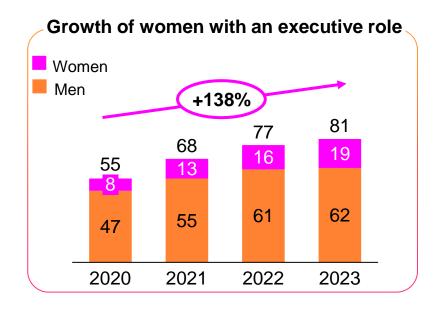


## The illimiters: talent and diversity fosters innovation











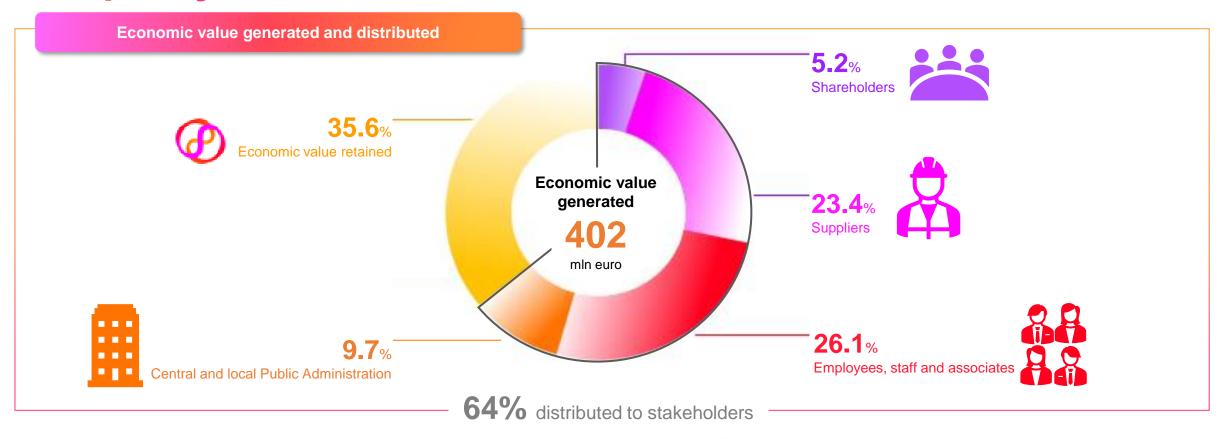
#### **Negligible Equity Pay Gap**

4.9%

#### among the best in the sector

- Analysis of internal and external remuneration benchmarks
- Defining financial packages on employment
- Annual salary review process focus on gender issues

# **Prosperity**







## Responsibility to distressed credit customers

In the absence of standard KPIs (GRI) directly related to **social impact** in the distressed credit world, illimity is a pioneer: it has developed **autonomous indicators** that measure the process of value creation.

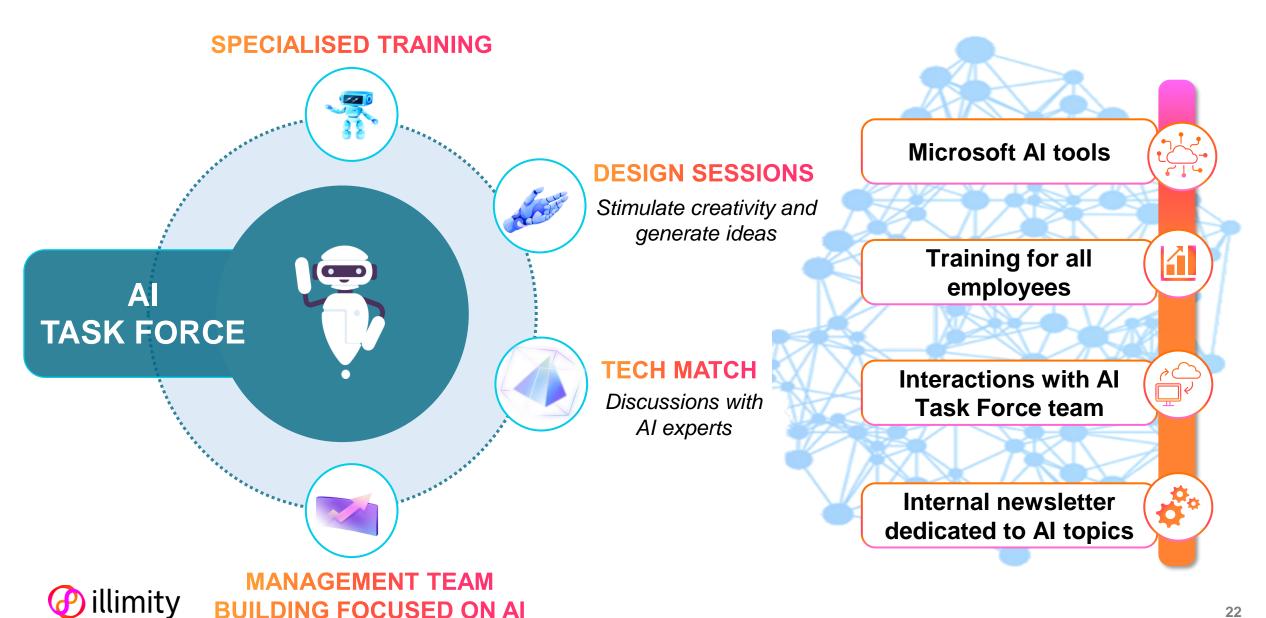
	2023	
Collaborative Agreement Index Ratio between the number of positions closed through out-of-court proceedings and the total of positions successfully closed by illimity Group	73.3%	
Time to Solve  Average time recorded to solve out-of-court proceedings	6 months	



These indicators highlight illimity's focus on finalizing out-of-court agreements, which accelerates resolution times and contributes to the recovery of the entrepreneur



# **Exploting Artificial Intelligence potential**



# fondazione illimity and impact investing



fondazione illimity promotes innovative projects
for the social regeneration of real estate assets and impact investing.

Research & Development
We work with universities and centres

Collectivity
We create networks and sy

Poster Starting from zero, one can go a long way Giving value back to what already exists takes us beyond. illimity exists to relaunch SMEs. looking beyond their ratings, fondazione illimity is born to socially and economically regenerate real estate assets We reinvent spaces turning them into places of inclusion, cohesion and shared well-being. We mobilise the energy of buildings to bring interests together, uncover needs, and give life to ecosystems and new relations We look at real estate assets and expertise as an opportunity to build shared value and common good. We believe in impact investing, by bringing it to where it belongs: local areas and communities. Because creating value takes us far and regenerating it, takes us beyond. fondazione illimity. **Beyond value** fondazione illimity fondazioneillimity.it/en

We build value for local communities through projects focusing on the social regeneration of real estate assets.

We work with universities and centres with expertise in: research projects and feasibility studies for real estate regeneration; social housing creation; and the development of local cultures and areas.

We create networks and synergies between profit and non-profit organisations, and both public and private entities, with the aim of sharing best practices and projects, thus creating the conditions for true financial sustainability.

#### **Albergo Etico Cesenatico**

Project to insert people with disabilities into the working world and offers them training and independence.



#### (RE) GENERATION CAMP

Laboratory for creativity held in a space regenerated by the illimity foundation. Its objective is to promote the integration and socialisation of the younger generations

<mark>(RE)</mark>GENERATIÖN CAMP

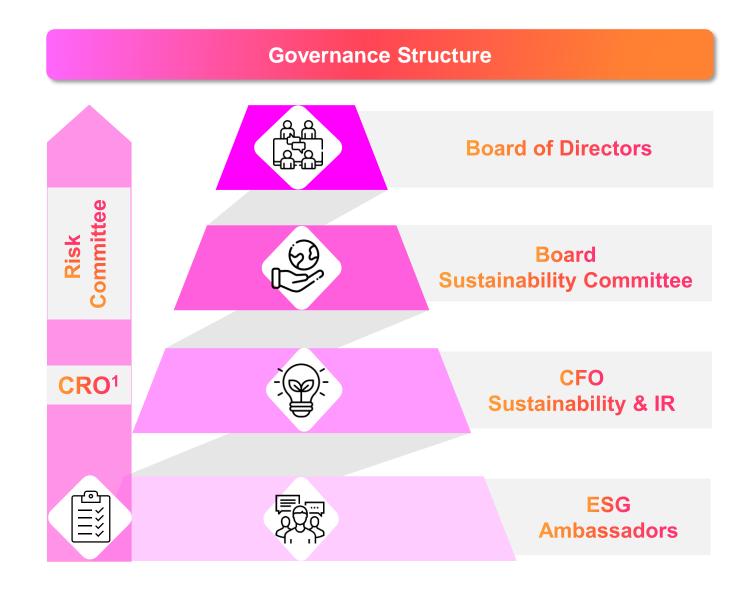




# Sustainability embedded in our governance system

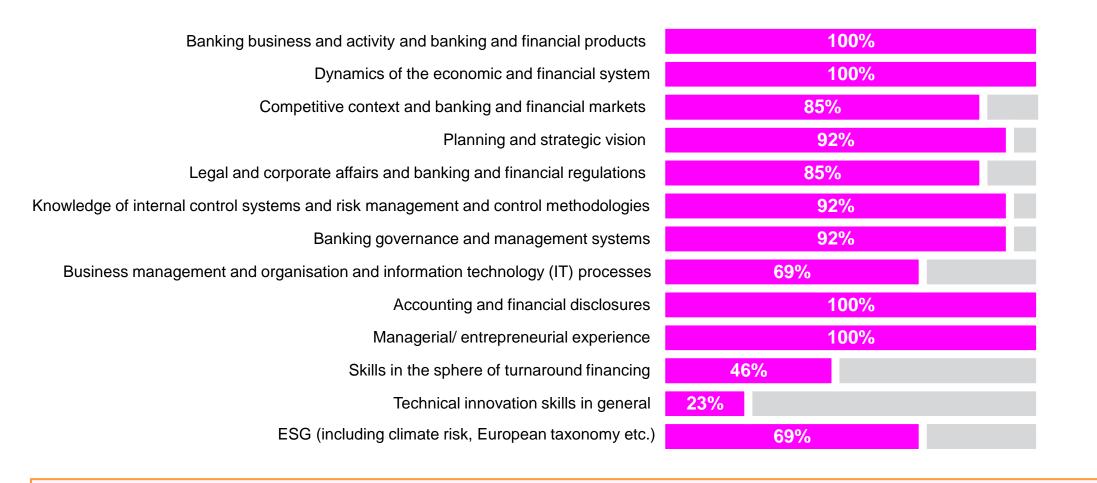
#### **Key governance takeaways**

- Adoption of the "one-tier system"
- 85% board independence
- 46% female board members (6 women out of 13 members)
- Independent Chairperson
- 62 years old average age on the board
- 3 years board average tenure
- 91% average participation to board meetings in 2023
- Diversity in terms of gender, age, skills & background
- Explicit inclusion of "sustainable success" in the bylaws
- Enforcement of ESG Ambassadors' role
   Including Climate Risk Prevention





### **Board of Directors Skills Matrix**



BoD approved the results emerging from the self-assessment process integrating the ESG expertise as additional skill



# Corporate governance & policies in line with best practices



illimity integrates ESG aspects into all its policies<sup>1</sup>, aligning corporate governance practices with international best practices and shareholders' interests.

#### Most recent policies include:

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Sustainable Supply Chain

Artificial Intelligence

**Engagement** 

Anti-Harassment >

Green, social & sustainability-linked loans framework

> Management of tax activities

ESG Investment Policy in Treasury & IB

**ESG** reporting standards

Non-financial disclosure in line with industry best practice













Code of conduct aligned with indications and objectives of the UN, the OECD and the EU; adhesion to UN Global Compact and PRB













# ESG integrated in executives' variable remuneration

#### **Short Term Incentive:** CEO Goal Card\*



Development of environmental policy, as well as a climate **strategy** at a Group level, including the **development** of sustainable finance

Maintenance of the **Gender Equality Certification** 



"UNI PdR 125-2022"



Maintenance of **Equity Pay Gap** in the range of +/- 3%.



Fostering a sustainability culture through the identification of specific roles (ESG ambassadors) in the main central functions, equal to approximately 10% of the emplyess



#### **Long Term Incentive Plan**

#### **Diversity, Equity &** Inclusion (10%)



Employees' satisfaction over



YoY increase of women in managerial roles and gender balance in the company "talent pool".

#### **Top ESG Rating &** Sustainable Finance<sup>1</sup> (10%)



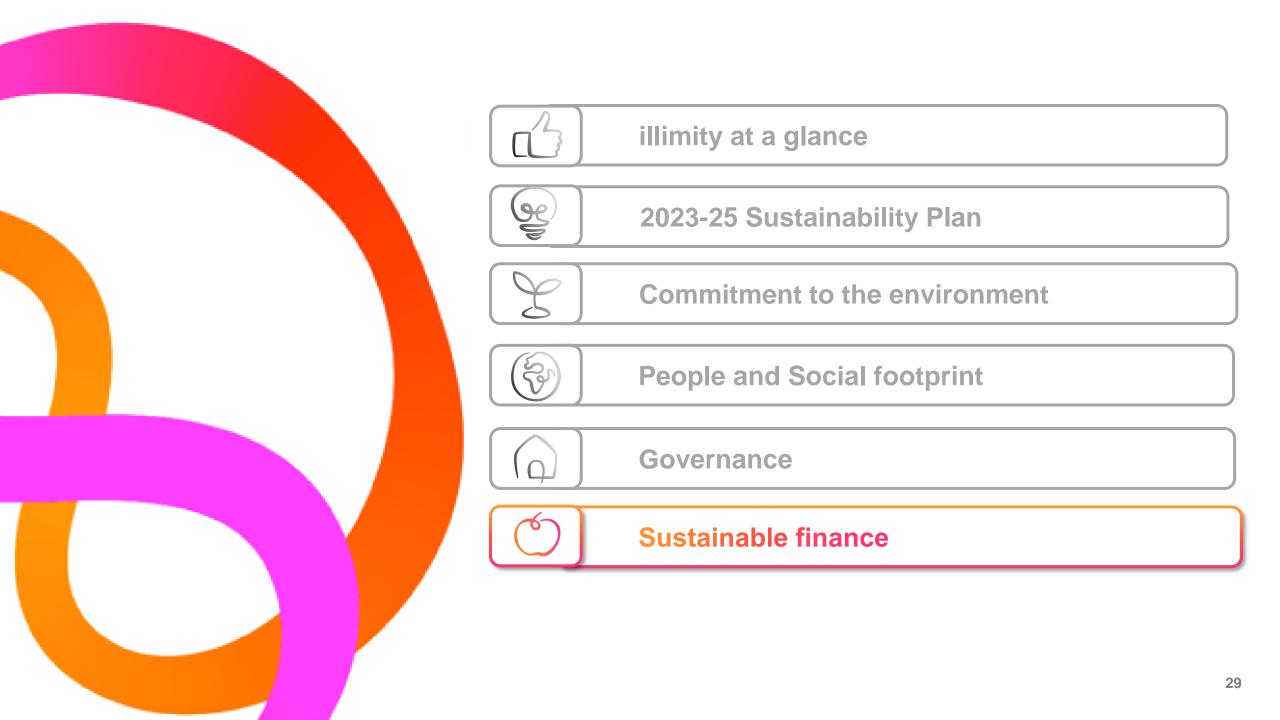
Maintain or increase the investment grade in Standard Ethics and CDP ratings.



Yearly progression on Strategic Plan environmental targets.







## Sustainable Finance main achievements



ESG policies to effectively drive our portfolio investments and credit granting process towards our Group's environmental and responsible investments targets



New Green, Social and Sustainability Linked loan Framework to evaluate financing operations against ESG standards and Group's goals thanks to measurable KPIs











Innovative ESG services ecosystem for SMEs including a strategic partnerships with SACE and EIB to support corporates' sustainable transition



# ESG policies to effectively drive our portfolio investments and credit granting process



#### **ESG Policies**

**ESG Investment Policy** in Treasury and Investment Banking, to achieve 100% under ESG due diligence



The **ESG Investment Policy** aims to define, time by time and consistently with illimity's business model characteristics and RAF limits, strategic criteria for the integration of ESG aspects:

- in the investment analysis
- In the responsible investment decision-making processes.



est illimity SGR



The scope of **illimity SGR's ESG Policy** is to provide the strategic guidelines for the integration of the **sustainability risk analysis into the investment decisions taken by illimity SGR S.p.A**. within the management of Alternative Investment Funds.

- iSC fund launched in 2023 classified under Art. 8 of the SFDR¹ places great emphasis on ESG issues and offers economic incentives to SMEs that achieve specific targets in their sustainability journey
- In February 2023, the Group, through illimity SGR, became signatory of the Principles for Responsible Investments



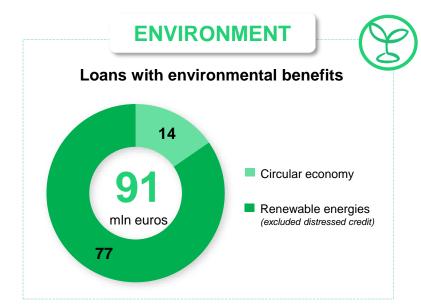
New *Green, Social & Sustainability-linked Loans Framework* included in the credit offer and policy



As part of the environmental targets of the Group in the transitioning to a netzero economy, the new "Framework" foresees the possibility to develop sustainable finance products; it is subject to updates on a periodical basis in order to ensure the full alignment with best market practices and voluntary standards.



## Sustainable finance to support SMEs



**Business model natively** addressing recovery and resilience of SMEs





SUSTAINABILITY-LINKED

Sustainability-linked loans

mln euro

subject to the commitment of the counterparty to specific environmental, social and/or governance outcomes



#### SOCIAL

Loans with social benefits

mln euro

Total loans provided with the specific aim of restructuring companies in economic/financial difficulty



Strategic partnership with SACE to support corporates' sustainable transition





Sace Green Guarantee for

corporates 'projects aimed at mitigating and adapting to climate change, sustainable initiatives, and the circular economy granted thorough a fully digital platform

In December 2023 illimity has signed a strategic partnership with SACE which allows companies to benefit from an 80% Green Guarantee to support investments aimed at reducing environmental impact

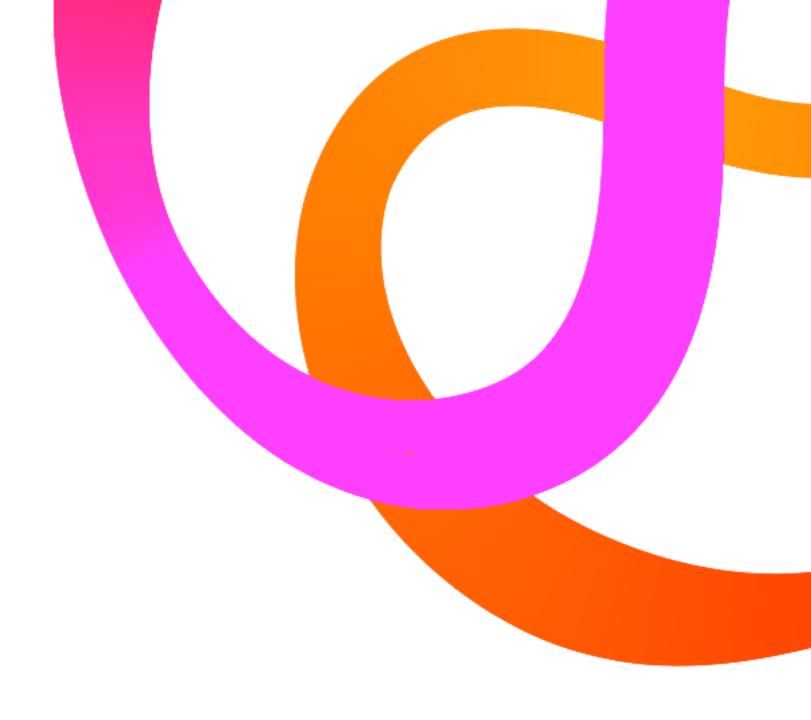
- Projects aimed at mitigating and adapting to climate change, preventing and reducing polluting activities, protecting water and marine resources, safeguarding and restoring biodiversity and ecosystems, sustainable mobility, and the circular economy
- Green Guarantee issued at market conditions, through a fully standardized and digitized process







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