What is UNEP FI

The United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI) is a unique global partnership between the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the private financial sector.

UNEP FI works closely with over 200 financial institutions who are signatories to the UNEP FI Statements, and a range of partners organizations to develop and promote linkages between the environment, sustainability and financial performance. Through regional activities, a comprehensive work programme, training programmes and research, UNEP FI carries out its mission to identify, promote, and realise the adoption of best environmental and sustainability practice at all levels of financial institution operations.

Mission

“To identify, promote, and realise the adoption of best environmental and sustainability practice at all levels of financial institution operations.”
Signatories to the UNEP FI Statements in 2004

UNEP FI welcomed 16 new members in 2004, with a total membership of 208 signatories by the end of the year.
What is the Latin American Task Force LATF

UNEP FI has established a network of regional task forces to coordinate its activities around the world. The task forces provide an opportunity for local signatories to interact and share best practices.

Regional task forces are active or under development in:

- Africa
- Asia Pacific
- Central and Eastern Europe
- Latin America
- North America

Regional Activities

Latin America

Through its Latin American Task Force, UNEP FI is working with financial institutions in Latin America to support and expand sustainable financial practice in the region.
# LATF Members and Advisory Group Members

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## Advisory Group Members:
- SRInvest Argentina
- FIDES - Desenvolvimento Sustentável
- Cleaner Production International LLC
- KPMG LLP UK
- Fundação Brasileira para o Desenvolvimento Sustentável
- Inter-American Development Bank
- World Resources Institute – New Ventures
- Finanzas Ambientales
- Enterprising Solutions Global Consulting

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**Advisory Group**

**The Banker**

Best Bank in Latin America 2004
LATF Goals and Highlights

- To set sustainability priorities for the Latin American financial sector and to promote these through capacity building and training;
- To create a forum of Latin American signatories to exchange ideas and best practice facilitated by the UNEP FI network;
- To integrate a triple bottom line approach to Latin American financial sector operations.
LATF Launch Meeting
The LATF's first meeting was held in Lima, Peru, on 1-2 July. LATF Terms of Reference were agreed, and participants discussed the strategic focus and future activities of the Task Force.

Scoping Paper on sustainable finance in Latin America
Funded and managed by Corporación Andina de Fomento, the LATF chair at the time, and authored by the Brazilian Centro de Estudos em Sustentabilidade (CES) of the FGV Business School in Sao Paulo, the paper outlines the state of sustainable finance in different countries and identifies related challenges and opportunities.

Training
Both the launch meeting and the Scoping Paper identified training as the most important focus area for the Task Force. The LATF has started to develop a training concept and will conduct a number of training workshops on the social and environmental aspects of credit risk in 2005.

Environmental & Social aspects of Credit Risk
- 9-10 March, Bogota, Colombia:
- 4-5 May, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Sept, Lima, Peru
- Dec, San Salvador, El Salvador
LATF planned activities

- Environmental Management Workshop
- Sustainability Reports
- Latin America Portal (environmental & social)
- Round Table Oct. 25-26 in New York (24 AGM)

Stakeholder Forum on Sustainability Management & Reporting (SMR)

The take up of SMR by financial institutions, especially in developing countries, is still low. UNEP FI identifies lack of awareness and capacity as the two main barriers and seeks to produce a set of Guidelines to address them. In 2004-5, the focus of the project is to produce a CEO Briefing on Sustainability Management and Reporting.
**Sustainability Management, Reporting and Indicators (SMRI) Work Streams**

**Aim:**
- To provide financial institutions with efficient tools for sustainability management and reporting.

**Specific Goals:**
- Develop a set of globally applicable environmental performance indicators to assist the international finance sector report on the environmental impacts of its products and services;
- Provide a forum for financial sector stakeholders to discuss sustainability management & reporting, with the ultimate goal of providing a body of guidelines on the subject.

**2004 Highlights:**

**UNEP FI – Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Working Group**
The Working Group had three successful meetings and a 90-day public consultation period in 2004 that resulted in the development of a set of 13 environmental performance indicators for the international finance sector. Designed to assist the retail, corporate and commercial banking, asset management and insurance sectors report on the environmental impacts of their products and services, the indicators have been formatted into a pilot version of the GRI Financial Services Sector Supplement (Environment). This Supplement will be pilot-tested in 2005.

**Chairs:**
Financial Sector Co-Chair - Westpac;
Non Financial Sector Co-Chair - CoreRatings.

**Financial members:**

**Non-financial members:**
Friends of the Earth, US, Earthwatch Europe, Ethical Investment Research Services (EIRIS), Core Ratings, Christian Brothers Investment Services (CBIS), Euronatur, Wilderness Society, INCAE, Centre for Corporate Citizenship, UNISA.

**Observer members:**

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**Only acceptable global standard**

**Sector specific supplements**

**Multi Stateholder process**
What do we want quantification for

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GRI as a global standard
Financial Service Sector Suplements: SPI&EPI

Phase 1: Social Performance

The Pilot version of the Financial Services Sector Supplement - Social Indicators was released for use in November 2002. This document offers a set of supplemental social performance indicators for use in conjunction with the GRI 2002 Sustainability Reporting Guidelines.

- Financial Services Sector Supplement: Social Performance

The indicators were developed as specifically relevant to the financial services sector through an extensive multi-stakeholder process convened by GRI and SPI-Finance. SPI-Finance is a project group of financial institutions from Australia, Germany, the Netherlands, South Africa, Switzerland and the UK.

Phase 2: Environmental Performance

In September 2003, GRI partnered with UNEP-Finance Initiatives (UNEP FI) to build on the work completed in the social arena, and to develop a set of environmental performance indicators for the finance sector. An evenly balanced multi-stakeholder working group of approximately 20 members, co-chaired by one industry and one non-industry representative, was convened to draft the document. It was released in March 2005 following a 90-day public comment period in 2004.

- Financial Services Sector Supplement: Environmental Performance

Like all supplements, this was developed to be used in conjunction with the GRI Sustainability Reporting Guidelines.

Phase 3: Consolidation and Piloting

GRI and UNEP FI will work during the course of 2005-2006 to consolidate the two segments of the sector supplement and convene an international pilot testing process.
## Financial Service Sector Supplements: SPI&EPI

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GRI reporters

34% of the companies listed in Dow Jones Sustainability Index World are GRI reporters. More than 600 GRI reporters world-wide

BBVA has given a step beyond and is “in accordance reporter” (only 56 organization in 20 countries are in accordance)

Learning by doing

First Western European Forum on Finance and Sustainability
Thank you for your attention

Tomas Conde
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