CaixaBank, S.A. and subsidiaries

Independent verification report Consolidated Non-Financial Information Statement 31 December 2022



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Independent verification report

To the shareholders of CaixaBank, S.A.:

Pursuant to article 49 of the Code of Commerce, we have verified, with the scope of a limited assurance engagement, the Consolidated Non-Financial Information Statement (hereinafter 'NFIS') for the year ended 31 December 2022 of CaixaBank, S.A. (Parent company) and subsidiaries (hereinafter 'CaixaBank' or the Group) which forms part of the accompanying CaixaBank's Consolidated Management Report (hereinafter 'CMR').

The content of the CMR includes additional information to that required by current mercantile legislation in relation to non-financial information, which has not been covered by our verification work. In this respect, our work was limited solely to verifying the information identified in tables included in the accompanying CMR:

- 'Law 11/2018 and Taxonomy Regulation, Table of contents',
- 'Global Reporting Initiative (GRI)',
- Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB)', and
- "UNEPFI" sections:
 - 2.1 Impact Analysis.
 - 2.2 Target Setting,
 - 2.3 Target Implementation and Monitoring and
 - 5.1 Governance Structure for Implementation of the Principles.

Responsibility of the directors of the Parent company

The preparation of the NFIS included in CaixaBank's CMR and the content thereof are the responsibility of the directors of CaixaBank, S.A. The NFIS has been drawn up in accordance with:

- The provisions of current mercantile legislation and using as a reference the criteria of the Sustainability Reporting Standards of the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI Standards) as well as those other criteria described as per the details provided for each matter in tables 'Law 11/2018 and Taxonomy Regulation, Table of contents' and 'Global Reporting Initiative (GRI)' of the CMR.
- The criteria of the Sustainability Accounting Standard for Commercial Banks sector of Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) described as per the details provided for each matter in table 'Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB)' of the CMR.
- The criteria described in the Reporting and Self-Assessment Template of the United Nations'
 Principles for Responsible Banking (PRB) promoted by the United Nations Environment
 Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI) for sections 2.1 Impact Analysis, 2.2 Target Setting,
 2.3 Target Implementation and Monitoring and 5.1 Governance Structure for Implementation of
 the Principles included in table 'UNEPFI'.

This responsibility also includes the design, implementation and maintenance of the internal control considered necessary to allow the NFIS to be free of material misstatement due to fraud or error.



The directors of CaixaBank, S.A. are also responsible for defining, implementing, adapting and maintaining the management systems from which the information required to prepare the NFIS is obtained.

Our independence and quality management

We have complied with the independence requirements and other ethical requirements of the International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants ('IESBA Code') which is founded on fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality and professional behaviour.

Our firm applies current international quality standards and maintains, consequently, a quality system that includes policies and procedures related to compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory provisions.

The engagement team consisted of professionals specialising in Non-financial Information reviews, specifically in information on economic, social and environmental performance.

Our responsibility

Our responsibility is to express our conclusions in a limited assurance independent report based on the work we have performed. We carried out our work in accordance with the requirements laid down in the current International Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 Revised, 'Assurance Engagements other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information' (ISAE 3000 Revised) issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board (IAASB) of the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC), in the Guidelines for verification engagements of the Non-Financial Information Statement issued by the Spanish Institute of Auditors ('Instituto de Censores Jurados de Cuentas de España') and in the UNEP FI Guidance for assurance providers Providing Limited Assurance for Reporting on Principles for Responsible Banking issued by the United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI).

In a limited assurance engagement, the procedures performed vary in nature and timing of execution, and are less extensive, than those carried out in a reasonable assurance engagement and accordingly, the assurance provided is also lower.

Our work consisted of posing questions to management as well as to the various units of CaixaBank that were involved in the preparation of the NFIS, of the review of the processes for compiling and validating the information presented in the NFIS, and in the application of certain analytical procedures and review procedures on a sample basis, as described below:

- Meetings with the CaixaBank personnel to understand the business model, policies and management approaches applied, principal risks relating to these matters and to obtain the information required for the external review.
- Analysis of the scope, relevance and integrity of the content of the NFIS for the year 2022, based on the materiality analysis carried out by CaixaBank and described in section 'Materiality', taking into account the content required by current mercantile legislation.
- Analysis of the procedures used to compile and validate the information presented in the NFIS for the year 2022.



- Review of information relating to risks, policies and management approaches applied in relation to material matters presented in the NFIS for the year 2022.
- Verification, by means of sample testing, of the information relating to the content of the SNFI for the year 2022 and that it was adequately compiled using data provided by the sources of the information.
- Obtaining a management representation letter from the directors and management of Parent company.

Conclusion

Based on the procedures performed in our verification and the evidence obtained, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that NFIS of CaixaBank, S.A. and subsidiaries for the year ended 31 December 2022 has not been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with:

- The provisions of current mercantile legislation and using as a reference the criteria of the GRI Standards as well as those other criteria described as per the details provided for each matter in tables 'Law 11/2018 and Taxonomy Regulation, Table of contents' and 'Global Reporting Initiative (GRI)' of the CMR.
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 the Principles included in table 'UNEPFI'.

Emphasis of matter

The Regulation (EU) 2020/852 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2020 relating to the establishment of a framework to facilitate sustainable investments establishes the obligation to disclose information on the manner and extent to which the company's investments are associated with eligible economic activities according to the Taxonomy. For such purposes, CaixaBank's directors have incorporated information on the criteria that, in their opinion, best allow compliance with the aforementioned obligation and that are defined in sections 'Sustainable business - Green taxonomy' and 'Taxonomy Regulation (EU) 2020/852 and Delegated Acts' of the accompanying CMR. Our conclusion has not been modified in relation to this matter.

Use and distribution

This report has been drawn up in response to the requirement established in current Spanish mercantile legislation and therefore may not be suitable for other purposes and jurisdictions.

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Original in Spanish signed by Juan Ignacio Marull Guasch

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