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For the eighth time, BAWAG P.S.K. Bank für Arbeit und Wirtschaft und Österreichische Postsparkasse AG (referred to as BAWAG P.S.K. in the following) is reporting not only on its financial performance in the previous year, but also on its efforts for the people of Austria and the effects of its day-to-day operations on the environment and climate.

Along with the current CSR Report 2015, the CSR Update 2014, the CSR Report 2013, and the annual reports can be used as additional sources of information about BAWAG P.S.K.'s CSR activities.

REPORTING BOUNDARIES

- ▶ The CSR Report 2015 and the GRI Index and UN Global Compact progress reports are only released in online versions.
- ▶ The CSR Report 2015 is directly tied to the Update 2014 and provides information about new developments and the progress of the measures as well as the development of the indicators.
- ▶ The reporting period for the data and indicators is the years 2013–2015.
- ▶ Important aspects that pertain to 2016 and were already known at the time the report was being prepared were taken into account.
- ▶ The content was developed together with the members of the BAWAG P.S.K. CSR Committee in accordance with the guidelines of the Global Reporting Initiative and in line with the principles of materiality, transparency, and comparability.
- ▶ The CSR Report 2015 is oriented towards the guidelines of the Global Reporting Initiative, version 4.0, and the Core "In Accordance" option and also contains disclosures specified by the set of industry-specific indicators for financial services.

- ▶ The GRI document also contains the UN Global Compact progress reports (Communication on Progress). More information about the indicators for the ten Global Compact principles and the six UN Global Compact Women's Empowerment Principles can be found in this document starting on page 11.
- ► The CSR Report 2015 pertains to the company BAWAG P.S.K. with the following limitations:
 - The subsidiaries are not accounted for in the social indicators in the CSR Report 2015 (see below for exceptions in the ecological indicators). These companies act independently through their own governance bodies. Therefore, all of the content and data related to employees pertain to BAWAG P.S.K. and have a coverage ratio of 83% in relation to all employees of BAWAG P.S.K. Group.
 - The environmental and energy indicators also include the subsidiaries easybank, BAWAG P.S.K. Leasing, BAWAG P.S.K. Wohnbaubank, and BAWAG P.S.K. Immobilien. The economic indicators pertain to the entire BAWAG P.S.K. Group.

SELECTION OF CONTENT FOR THE REPORT, MATERIALITY PROCESS

The current CSR Report 2015 shows where BAWAG P.S.K. can make and plans to make a direct contribution to sustainable development – both within the Bank and externally, for stakeholders and customers, with regard to current social issues, and in the protection and conservation of natural resources.

Back in 2011, BAWAG P.S.K. defined which topics are relevant for the Bank in a multi-stage process. First, the Bank asked external stakeholders to share their perspectives, and this feedback was then supplemented with internal points of emphasis. The industry-specific guidelines for financial services providers and the assessments of sustainability rating agencies were also taken into account. The results of this process form the basis for the Bank's CSR strategy, the measures of the sustainability program derived from this, and the content disclosed in the CSR Report 2015. BAWAG P.S.K.'s CSR strategy is broken down into six focuses of action. These are described by the following GRI aspects (refer to the subsequent GRI Index for additional information):

1. Responsible action

- ▶ Transparent information policy
- ▶ Compliance
- Anti-corruption
- ▶ Anti-competitive behavior
- ▶ Indirect economic impacts
- Audit
- Procurement practices
- ▶ Investment

2. Dialogue with stakeholders

- ▶ Local communities
- Active ownership

3. Customer orientation

- ▶ Product portfolio
- Customer health and safety
- ▶ Product and service labeling
- Marketing communications
- Customer privacy

4. Staff development and training

- **▶** Employment
- Occupational health and safety
- ► Training and education
- Diversity and equal opportunity
- ▶ Equal remuneration for women and men
- Non-discrimination

5. Environmental protection

- Energy
- **▶** Emissions
- Products and services
- ▶ Transport
- Procurement practices

6. Civic engagement and personal commitment

Local communities

The selected aspects according to GRI G4 are presented in the GRI Index and are broken down by the corresponding effects that may occur within the Bank or externally.

GRI INDEX IN ACCORDANCE WITH G4 – CORE OPTION

BAWAG P.S.K. strives to continuously measure and evaluate its performance according to sustainability criteria. In order to prepare the data in a way that ensures comparability and transparency, the Bank orients its reporting towards the performance indicators of the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI). This GRI Index 2015 was prepared "in accordance with" the guidelines as per the GRI definition and fulfills the requirements for the

"Core option." Along with the GRI guidelines, the industryspecific indicators for financial services are also disclosed.

The following index provides an overview of the reported GRI indicators according to the G4 standard. The indicated page numbers refer to the CSR Report 2015, which can be downloaded here: https://www.bawagpsk.com/CSR-Reports

GENERAL STANDARD DISCLOSURES

G4 code	Content according to G4 (Core)	Reference/Comments				
Strategy a	Strategy and analysis					
1	Statement from the most senior decision-maker	p. 4				
Organizat	ional profile					
3	Name of the organization	p. 26				
4	Primary brands, products, and services	p. 5				
5	Location of the organization's headquarters	p. 5, p. 26				
6	Countries where the organization operates	p. 5, https://www.bawagpsk.com/FinancialResults				
7	Nature of ownership and legal form	p. 5				
8	Markets	https://www.bawagpsk.com/FinancialResults				
9	Scale of the organization	p. 6, https://www.bawagpsk.com/FinancialResults				
10	Figures and information regarding total workforce	p. 17				

Compositio	on of workforce / governance bodies	Age group			
by age grou	up and gender (2015)	<30	30–50	>50	Total
	Managing Board		5		5
	Division managers / senior managers		16	8	24
Men	Regional marketing managers / sales managers / department managers		50	13	63
	Branch managers / group managers / team managers	12	116	30	158
	Non-management functions	135	446	553	1,134
Total (men)		147	633	604	1,384
	Managing Board				
	Division managers / senior managers		2	1	3
Women	Regional marketing managers / sales managers / department managers	2	18	2	22
	Branch managers / group managers / team managers		45	25	70
	Non-management functions	236	785	492	1,513
Total (wome	en)	238	850	520	1,608
Total		385	1,483	1,125	2,992

Nationality (2015)	Austria	Other
Managing Board		5
Division managers / senior managers	21	6
Regional marketing managers / sales managers / department managers	81	4
Branch managers / group managers / team managers	221	7
Non-management functions	2,537	110
Total	2,860	132

G4 code	Content according to G4 (Core)	Reference/Comments
	Regional distribution by province (2015)	Tota
	Vienna	2,089
	Styria	215
	Lower Austria	187
	Upper Austria	144
	Carinthia	101
	Salzburg	83
	Tyrol	77
	Burgenland	47
	Vorarlberg	37
	Abroad	12
	Total	2,992
11	Employees covered by collective bargaining agreements	100% of the employees are covered by collective bargaining agreements.
12	Supply chain	p. 5, p. 15–16
13	Significant changes in the organization's size, structure, or ownership	p. 5
14	Precautionary principle	p. 11
15	External agreements, principles, or initiatives	p. 11
16	Memberships	Transparency International (Austrian Chapter), UN Global Compact, UN Global Compact WEP
Identified	material aspects and boundaries	
17	Description of the reporting boundaries	Reporting boundaries (see above)
18	Process for defining the report content and the aspect boundaries	Selection of content for the report (see above)
19	Identified material aspects and topics	Selection of content for the report (see above), p. 10.
20	Aspect boundary for each material aspect within the organization	The aspect boundaries for the individual aspects are described in the corresponding sections.
21	Aspect boundary for each material aspect outside the organization	The aspect boundaries for the individual aspects are described in the corresponding sections.
22	Restatement of information provided in previous reports	Reporting boundaries (see above)
23	Changes in the scope and aspect boundaries	Reporting boundaries (see above)
Stakeholo	der engagement	
24	List of stakeholder groups engaged by the organization	p. 12
25	Selection of stakeholder groups	p. 12
26	Approach to stakeholder engagement	p. 12
27	Key topics and concerns of stakeholder groups	p. 12
Report pr	ofile	
28	Reporting period	Reporting boundaries (see above)
29	Publication of most recent previous report	2014 (Update), Report 2013
30	Reporting cycle	Annual
31	Contact points	p. 26
32	GRI Index	BAWAG P.S.K. GRI Index
33	External assurance for the report or for report contents	None
Governan	ce	
34	Governance structure of the organization	https://www.bawagpsk.com/FinancialResults
Ethics an	d integrity	
56	Corporate values, principles, and codes of conduct	p. 11

SPECIFIC STANDARD DISCLOSURES

Economic indicators

Ermittelte wesentliche Aspekte	G4 Indi	katoren (Kern)	Verweis/Anmerkungen
- · · · ·	DMA	Economic performance	p. 6
Economic performance	EC1	Direct economic value generated and distributed	p. 6
	DMA	Market presence	p. 5
Market presence	EC5C PO1	Entry level wage compared to local minimum wage	The entry level wages are more than 10% higher than the minimum wage defined by the collective bargaining agreement.
warket presence	EC6	Proportion of senior management hired from the local community	See LA13 for data; there is no company policy to favor local staff (99.8% of all employees work and live in Austria)
	DMA	Indirect economic impacts	p. 5, p. 13
Indirect economic impacts	EC7	Investments in public infrastructure and communities	p. 13–14
	EC8	Type and extent of indirect economic impacts	p. 13–14
	DMA	Policies with specific environmental and social components applied to business lines	p. 11
	DMA	Processes for monitoring clients' implementation of and compliance with environmental and social requir included in agreements or transactions	ements p. 13-16
Product portfolio	DMA	Process(es) for improving staff competency to implementary and social policies and procedures as	
	DMA	Interactions with clients/investees/business partners renvironmental and social risks and opportunities	regarding p. 13–16
	FS6	Percentage of the portfolio for business lines by specific region, size, and sector	https://www.bawagpsk.com/FinancialResults
	FS7	Products with a significant social benefit	p. 13–14
	FS8	Products with a significant environmental benefit	p. 13–14
	DMA	Auditing of processes to assess sustainability risks	p. 13–16
	FS11	Percentage of assets managed according to sustainal	bility criteria p. 13
	DMA	Procurement practices	p. 11, p. 15–16
	EC9	Proportion of spending on local suppliers	Approx. 99% of the suppliers are located in Austria. There is no official policy to favor local suppliers.
Procurement practices	EN32 LA14 HR10 S09	Proportion of new suppliers assessed according to sustainability criteria	BAWAG P.S.K.'s sustainable procurement policy (Supplier Code of Conduct, see page 11) has been firmly established at BAWAG P.S.K. for several years and focuses on corresponding certifications and domestic suppliers. In cases of suspected violations of the Supplier Code of Conduct, the Procurement, Real Estate & Facility Management division would react immediately. So far, however, no such cases have occurred.

Environmental indicators

Identified material aspects	G4 indi	cators (Core)	Reference/Comments
	DMA	Energy	p. 23
	EN3	Energy consumption within the organization (Scope 1 and 2)	p. 22
Energy	EN4	Energy consumption outside of the organization (Scope 3)	p. 22
	EN6	Reduction of energy consumption through efficiency measures	p. 23
	EN7	Reductions in energy requirements of products and services	p. 23
	DMA	Emissions	p. 23
	EN15	Direct greenhouse gas emissions (Scope 1)	p. 22
Emissions	EN16	Indirect energy-related greenhouse gas emissions (Scope 2)	p. 22
	EN17	All other indirect greenhouse gas emissions generated outside of the organization (Scope 3)	
	EN19	Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions	p. 23
Duradicate and assistant	DMA	Products and services	p. 23
Products and services	EN27	Mitigation of environmental impacts of products and services	p. 23
Transport	DMA	Transport	p. 23
Transport	EN30	Environmental impacts of transporting products, materials, and members of the workforce	p. 22

Social indicators

Identified material aspects	G4 ind	licators (Core)		Reference/	Comments
Labor practices and decent work					
	DMA	Employment			p. 17–20
	LA1	New employee hires and employee turnover			
		Employees leaving (2015)			Number
		Total			371
		By region			
		Vienna			252
		Other			119
		By age group			
Employment		<30			61
Employment		30–50			226
		>50			84
		By gender			
		Women			187
		Men			184
		New hires (2015)			Number
		Vienna			88
		Other			16
		Total			104
	LA2	Benefits provided to full-time employees			p. 21
	DMA	Occupational health and safety			p. 20
	LA5	Representation of the workforce in health			
		and safety committees		Regulated by lav	
Occupational health and safety	LA6	Injuries, occupational diseases, lost days, absenteeism, and fatalitie			p. 20
occupational median and carety			2013	2014	2015
		Number of accidents reported to AUVA and BVA*	19	18	19
		*Austrian Workers' Compensation Board (Allgemeine Unfallversicherungsanstalt; and Public Servants (Versicherungsanstalt für öffentlich Bedienstete; BVA); 6 worl			
	LA8	Inclusion of health and safety in collective agreementsRegulated by	law in Austria		

Identified material aspects	G4 ind	icators (Core)	Reference/Comments
	DMA	Training and education	p. 18–20
Training and advection	LA9	Number of training hours	p. 18
Training and education	LA10	Programs for skills management and lifelong learning	p. 18–20
	LA11	Feedback for employees regarding their performance and care	er development p. 19–20
	DMA	Diversity and equal opportunity	p. 17–18
Diversity and equal opportunity	LA12	Composition of governance bodies and breakdown of employee	
	DMA	according to gender, age group, and minority group membersh	p. 18 p. 17–18
Equal remuneration for women and men	LA13	Equal remuneration for women and men Ratio of remuneration of women to men	'
	LA13	Ratio of remuneration of women to men	p. 17–18
Human rights	DMA	Investment	p. 12
Investment	HR1		•
	DMA	Inclusion of humans rights aspects in significant investment ag Non-discrimination	reements p. 11
Non-discrimination	HR3	Incidents of discrimination and corrective actions taken	<u> </u>
Non-discrimination	пкэ	incluents of discrimination and corrective actions taken	In 2015, there was one reported incident, which was settled amicably.
Society			
	DMA	Local communities	p. 12, p. 14–16, p. 24–25
	SO1	Operations with implemented local community engagement,	
		impact assessments, and development programs	p. 13–16
Local communities	FS13	Access to banking services / supply security in low-populated o	
		economically disadvantaged areas by type	p. 13–14
	FS14	Initiatives to improve access to financial services for disadvantaged people	p. 13–14
	DMA	Anti-corruption	p. 13–14 p. 11
	S03	Assessment of operations for risks related to corruption	p. 11
	303	Assessment of operations for risks related to corruption	The business units were examined for risks
			related to corruption in the course of an
			internal assessment in spring 2015.
	S04	Communication and training on anti-corruption	Since 2010, BAWAG P.S.K. Group has had a
A 11			gift policy covering the acceptance and giving
Anti-corruption			of gifts and invitations. This policy was adapted
			to the new legal situation in Austria at the end of
			2012 and the new version went into effect on 1 January 2013. A special self-directed
			learning program including a knowledge check
			was introduced in November 2014
			and is mandatory for all relevant employees.
	SO5	Incidents of corruption and actions taken	No incidents of corruption were identified in 2015.
	DMA	Anti-competitive behavior	p. 11
Anti-competitive behavior	S07	Legal actions for anti-competitive behavior,	
		anti-trust, and monopoly practices	No incidents in the reporting period
Compliance	DMA	Compliance with legal regulations	p. 11
Compliance	S08	Fines and sanctions for non-compliance with legal regulations	No incidents in the reporting period

Identified material aspects	G4 ind	icators (Core)	Reference/Comments
Product responsibility			
	DMA	Customer health and safety	p. 9–11
Customer health and safety	PR1	Assessment of health and safety impacts of products	p. 9–11
oustomer nearth and safety	PR2	Incidents of non-compliance with regulations concerning the health and safety impacts of products	No incidents in the reporting period
	DMA	Product and service labeling	p. 13–15
Product and service labeling	PR3	Type of product and service information and proportion of products affected by such information	p. 13–15
Troduct and service labeling	PR4	Incidents of non-compliance with obligations concerning product and service information and labeling	No incidents in the reporting period
	PR5	Results of surveys measuring customer satisfaction	p. 12
Marketing communications	DMA	Marketing communications	Advertising/marketing is performed in line with the applicable legal regulations. The Legal division provides checklists for the legally compliant of measures. In addition, all campaigns undergo a legal review.
	PR7	Incidents of non-compliance with regulations and voluntary codes concerning marketing communications	No incidents of non-compliance in the reporting period. The marketing and communication guidelines were complied with.
	DMA	Customer privacy	p. 11, p. 12
Customer privacy	PR8	Complaints regarding breaches of customer privacy and losses of customer data	No incidents in the reporting period
	DMA	Compliance with legal regulations regarding products	p. 11
Compliance	PR9	Sanctions in connection with requirements regarding products and services	No incidents in the reporting period

UN GLOBAL COMPACT PROGRESS REPORTS

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As a signatory to the UN Global Compact, BAWAG P.S.K. is committed to complying with its ten principles, which focus on labor standards, human rights, environmental

protection, and anti-corruption. In addition, BAWAG P.S.K. endorsed the UN Global Compact Women's Empowerment Principles in fall 2015.

The CSR Report 2015 is also an annual Communication on Progress (COP). Examples are provided of how each principle has been and is being implemented at BAWAG P.S.K. The page numbers refer to the CSR Report 2015, which can be downloaded here: https://www.bawagpsk.com/CSR-Reports

THE TEN PRINCIPLES OF THE UN GLOBAL COMPACT AND EXAMPLES OF THEIR IMPLEMENTATION AT BAWAG P.S.K.:

The ten principles	Examples of their implementation
Principle 1: Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights (COP 1)	p. 11 General/Principles/Guidelines: Code of Conduct, Human Rights Matrix
Principle 2: Businesses should make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses (COP 2)	p. 13 General/Principles/Guidelines: Code of Conduct, Supplier Code of Conduct Measures/Results 2015: The "New Chance" account had over 32,000 customers at the end of 2015, which highlights the necessity of this service.
Principle 3: Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining (COP 3)	General/Principles/Guidelines: Freedom of association and the authorization of labor unions are protected by law in Austria. All employees are covered by collective bargaining agreements. There is an ongoing exchange of information between management and the Works Council, and new works council agreements are concluded on a regular basis.
Principle 4: Businesses should uphold the elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labor (COP 4)	p. 11 General/Principles/Guidelines: Supplier Code of Conduct; nearly 100% of our suppliers are located in Austria. Before new contracts are concluded, customers are subjected to media screening to look for possible violations. The topics of freedom of negotiation, compulsory labor, working hours, and wages are covered in the Code of Conduct for Suppliers of BAWAG P.S.K. Group under item 3 "Respect for the basic rights, health, and safety of employees."

The ten principles	Examples of their implementation
Principle 5: Businesses should uphold the effective abolition of child labor (COP 5)	p. 11 General/Principles/Guidelines: Supplier Code of Conduct
Principle 6: Businesses should uphold the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation (COP 6)	p. 11 General/Principles/Guidelines: Code of Conduct, Recruiting Policies Measures/Results 2015: Continuation of the Women's Promotion Plan aimed at promoting the equality of women and men at BAWAG P.S.K.
Principle 7: Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges (COP 7)	p. 23
Principle 8: Businesses should undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility (COP 8)	p. 23 Measures/Results 2015: BAWAG P.S.K. exceeded the savings target specified by the Austrian Energy Efficiency Act by 200% in 2015.
Principle 9: Businesses should encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies (COP 9)	p. 23 The photovoltaic system on the facade of the building in Quellenstraße has been in operation since 2012. In addition, energy efficiency is promoted in the area of IT infrastructure.
Principle 10: Businesses should work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery (COP 10)	p. 11 General/Principles/Guidelines: Code of Conduct, Anti-Corruption and Gift Acceptance Guidelines, Conflict of Interest Policy. The Compliance & KYC division monitors compliance with the rules and regulations. All new hires must successfully complete training courses on the prevention of money laundering.

THE SEVEN UN GLOBAL COMPACT WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT PRINCIPLES AND EXAMPLES OF THEIR IMPLEMENTATION AT BAWAG P.S.K.:

After endorsing the UN Global Compact Women's Empowerment Principles in fall 2015, BAWAG P.S.K. is reporting on its progress in this area for the first time here. Examples are provided of how each principle has been

and is being implemented at BAWAG P.S.K. The page numbers refer to the CSR Report 2015, which can be downloaded here:

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The seven principles	Examples of their implementation
Principle 1: Establish high-level corporate leadership for gender equality	Defined target ratio for the underrepresented gender in the Managing Board and Supervisory Board, Women's Promotion Program, Women's Mentoring Program, flexible working time models, point of emphasis in management development programs
Principle 2: Treat all women and men fairly at work – respect and support human rights and nondiscrimination	Human Rights Matrix, Recruiting Policies, Women's Promotion Program For further indicators, see: G4-LA1, G4-LA12, G4-LA13
Principle 3: Ensure the health, safety, and wellbeing of all women and men workers	Career and Family Audit, generation management, information events for expectant parents, Welcome Back events for parents returning from parental leave, company daycare centers at two locations For further indicators, see: G4-HR3, G4-LA6
Principle 4: Promote education, training, and professional development for women	Women's Promotion Plan, Women's Mentoring Program, specific seminars focusing on the further development of women For further indicators, see: G4-LA9, G4-LA11
Principle 5: Implement enterprise development, supply chain, and marketing practices that empower women	Women's Prize
Principle 6: Promote equality through community initiatives and advocacy	Women's Prize, Female Future Day, Women's Initiative
Principle 7: Measure and publicly report on progress to achieve gender equality	Report on measures, objectives and achievements in the annual CSR report and the Communication on Progress (COP).

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