

## Vall Banc promotes impact investment with Return&Conscience

- The bank, in addition to investing in sustainable projects, will transfer part of its transaction fee to the country's charitable organisations by offering a unique banking service to Andorra.
- The bank is especially proud of the trust placed in it by the *Andorran Cancer Society (ASSANDCA)*, the *Andorran Diabetes Society (ADBA)*, the *Andorran Organ Transplant and Donor Association (ATIDA)* and the *Association for People with Functional Diversity of Andorra (AMIDA)*

Vall Banc has unveiled a new line of specialisation in their service portfolio this week: sustainable profitability. The bank, having set itself the objective of becoming a pacesetter in this area, has done so with the launch of a new sustainable investment product called Return&Conscience.

This international mixed fixed income fund is targeted at the conservative investor who identifies with and follows international trends in sustainability and caring for the environment. This investment is adapted to the criteria of sustainable investment set out by the *PRI Network*, supported by the *UNEP Finance Initiative* and the *United Nations Global Compact*, which respects the pillars of *ESG* financial sustainability (*Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance*). All this, along with the criteria and standards demanded of asset management under best practices, aims to place the best possible investment portfolio in the hands of the client.

Vall Banc is offering its clients a unique product and profitability while making an impact in the local area. This is why, in addition to ensuring a sustainable investment, it also plans to donate the fee from managing this fund to a variety of local Andorran organisations. Initially, this will be destined to aid the projects of the *Andorran Cancer Society (ASSANDCA)*, the *Andorran Diabetes Society (ADBA)*, the *Andorran Organ Transplant and Donor Association (ATIDA)* and the *Association for People with Functional Diversity of Andorra (AMIDA)*, although the expansion of this initiative to other groups has not been ruled out. In this sense, Vall Banc would like to thank the aforementioned organisations for participating and bringing their initiatives to this project, a sign of trust that the bank is proud of.



"Our commitment to sustainability is redoubled with a fund whose outlook is towards international aid yet simultaneously has a positive impact on the local area," says the General Manager of Vall Banc Fons, Gerard Albà. He went on by indicating, "We are working towards offering even more services like this and believe that by starting with a fund with a potential return such as this, we will succeed in convincing investors less accustomed to this type of investment".

According to the 2016 Global Sustainable Investment Review, there were 22.9 trillion dollars of assets professionally managed under responsible investment strategies, representing 26.3% of the total assets managed worldwide, up 25% from 2014.

#### **About Vall Banc**

Vall Banc is an Andorran bank founded in July 2015 and purchased by J. C. Flowers in July 2016. In recent months, the bank has launched a comprehensive transformation plan to maintain the upward progress of its position in the market, its returns and, above all, the service to its customers. To find out more, please go to [www.vallbanc.ad](http://www.vallbanc.ad).