

A Group of excellence

A leader in terms of capital soundness and liquidity

Cooperative banking group in Italy by size

Largest banking
Group in Italy by
number of branches

Largest banking
Group in Italy
by total assets

Among the systemically important banking institutions in Italy

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What we have done

Results and events for each month of last year, coming from the work of a Group made up of banks that are historic yet ultra-modern, true to themselves, and always striving for new heights.

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Our values

Consistency with the original spirit that brought cooperative credit into being enables us to generate trust and is embodied in the three principles that are the foundation of our work:
Territoriality,
Mutuality,
Innovation.

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The figures

We are a driver that creates growth by supporting households and SMEs in the communities in which we operate. That is why our goals for the future are even more ambitious.

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Territoriality

The 4 million plus SMEs contribute to Italy's economic resilience. That is why for us being close to the communities in which we operate is not just a commitment but forms the basis of all of our work.

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Mutuality

For us, the word "development" does not mean exclusively economic growth, but also refers to the personal growth of members, customers, employees and associates.

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Innovation

Dedicated financial products and increasingly modern services, an omnichannel offering supported by major investments in IT and, above all, the presence of banks that are a boost to businesses and startups in the areas in which they operate. For us, this is innovation, and it is implemented day after day to benefit those who produce value in the communities where we are present.







Management and coordination perimeter

113BCCs

6 Subsidiary companies

among which

BCC Beni Immobili

BCC CreditoConsumo

BCC Factoring

BCC Financing

Banca Sviluppo

BCC GestioneCrediti

BCC Leasing

BCC Rent&Lease

BCC Risparmio&Previdenza

BCC Servizi Assicurativi

BCC Sinergia

BCC Sistemi Informatici

BIT Servizi per l'investimento sul territorio

Associate companies

among which

BCC Assicurazioni

BCC Vita

Numia

Hbenchmark

Pitagora

Group Structure as at 31 March 2025

January

 Fitch upgrades BCC lccrea Group's rating to Investment Grade.

March

- The 2023 Financial Statement and the 2024-2026 Industrial Plan are approved.
- New lending of about €50 billion is planned for the three-year period 2024-2026.
- Further acceleration in the path towards digitalization.

May

- The 2023 Non-financial Statement is approved.
- About 80% of lending is targeted at SMEs and households.
- Lending with a social and environmental impact exceeds €8 billion.

April

- The new BCC Iccrea Group communication campaign goes live.
- BCC Iccrea Group and Assimoco finalize a strategic partnership in the non-life insurance segment in Italy.

February

 S&P upgrades BCC Iccrea Group's rating to Investment Grade.

June

- BCC Iccrea Group and BNP Paribas Cardif finalize a strategic partnership in the life insurance sector in Italy.
- S&P improves the outlook on BCC lccrea Group's rating from stable to positive.

July

 Assets under management reach €26 billion, +10% in the first half of 2024.

September

- Numia, the second largest player in the e-money sector at national level, is founded together with Banco BPM and FSI.
- BCC Innovation Festival day: a pathway for development, incubation and acceleration with a total value of over €200,000.

November

- Consolidated results as at 30 September 2024.
- Around €135 billion in direct deposits, net banking income of about €4.5 billion and consolidated equity at €15.5 billion.
- BCC Banca Iccrea's stake in Pitagora, Italy's leading company in the consumer credit and salary-backed loans segment, increases to 20%.

October

- Morningstar DBRS improves BCC Iccrea Group's rating by one notch from "BBB" (low) to "BBB".
- BCC Iccrea Group's UNI PdR 125: 2022 Certification for gender equality is confirmed by RINA.

August

- Consolidated results as at 30 June 2024.
- Net loans to customers at €93 billion and CET1 ratio at 22.7%, net NPL ratio at 1.1%.

December

- The BCC Arte&Cultura project, dedicated to the discovery and appreciation of local territories' artistic and cultural heritage, is launched.
 A brochure collecting more than 100 artworks held throughout Italy, a project reserved for middle schools, and a book club involving partners and customers of the BCCs are created.
- Fitch upgrades the outlook of BCC Iccrea Group's rating from stable to positive.



For the first time in the history of BCC lccrea Group, we have decided to make a new tool available to communities: a narrative for all those who want to learn about the role played by our Cooperative Credit Banks within the Italian economy.

This is what you have in your hands.

We have written this document to make the results of the past year **clear to everyone**, not limiting ourselves simply to economic figures but rather expanding it to include the achievements at social and environmental level.

We have chosen to tell our story **through numbers** that summarize the daily work of all the colleagues of BCC Iccrea Group, that clearly express the important impact created by being true to our values.

What the **Cooperative Credit Banks** in BCC Iccrea Group trigger is a virtuous circle based on social responsibility and trust. We have chosen to split this document according to our three most important values.

"Cooperative Credit is a network of Banks made up of people who work for people" (from "The Cooperative Credit Union's Charter of Values").

The first is the value of **territoriality**: we are committed to developing local economies made up of small and medium-sized enterprises, farmers, craftsmen and merchants, innovative start-ups and households.

For us, "being close to the people" is not just a slogan, but rather the de jure and de facto condition of our activities, and there can be no such thing as local development without an increase in the wellbeing of the women and men who are the daughters and sons of that territory.

The word mutuality comes from the Latin word "mutuus" meaning "reciprocal."

The second value is **mutuality**: we operate with the aim of solidarity in the exclusive interest of our social base and communities in the areas in which we are present.

The relationship between the Cooperative Credit Banks in BCC Iccrea Group and their respective territories is a source of reciprocal trust and allows for forms of social participation in corporate life.

The third value is **innovation**.

for a banking Group like ours, it is a way to return value to the communities, contributing to their integral development in a responsible way, thus improving the social and environmental context in which the local people live. However, we have undertaken an equally important commitment that concerns

young people who represent the future of banking cooperation and local development. Their wish for authenticity and democratic participation is also ours. That is why their active presence in our Banks is particularly encouraged.

Young people are valuable counterparts for us in the territories: they spark new ideas, value diversity, are inquisitive, and have a desire to grow. Young people must be able to gain experience and practice responsible involvement.

To young people and their enthusiasm we devote much of our commitment, in the knowledge that the extraordinary history of our Banks will find in them heirs who are ever more focused on creating a better world.

There are **42** Young Members Committees in BCC Iccrea Group, accounting for **27%** of the total number of Local Committees.

73% of the financial education programs of the Group are aimed at young people.

The Banks in BCC Iccrea Group

Abruzzo

BCC Abruzzese Cappelle sul Tavo

BCC Adriatico Teramano

BCC Basciano

BCC Castiglione Messer Raimondo e Pianella

BCC Pratola Peligna

BCC Valle del Trigno

Basilicata

BCC Basilicata

BCC Gaudiano di Lavello

Calabria

BCC Calabria Ulteriore

BCC Mediocrati

Banca Montepaone

Campania

BCC Campania Centro

BCC Capaccio Paestum e Serino

BCC Magna Grecia

BCC Napoli

BCC San Marco dei Cavoti e del Sannio - Calvi

BCC Scafati e Cetara

BCC Terra di Lavoro

Emilia Romagna

BCC RivieraBanca

BCC Romagnolo

BCC Emil Banca

BCC ravennate forlivese e imolese

Friuli Venezia Giulia

BCC Banca di Udine

BCC CrediFriuli

BCC Pordenonese e Monsile

BCC Venezia Giulia

Lazio

BCC Bellegra

BCC Colli Albani

BCC Nettuno

BCC Paliano

BCC Provincia Romana

BCC Roma

Dati al 31 Marzo 2025

Lombardy

BCC Agrobresciano

BCC Basso Sebino

BCC Bergamasca e Orobica

BCC Binasco

BCC Brianza e Laghi

BCC Busto Garolfo e Buguggiate

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BCC Cantù

BCC Carate Brianza

BCC Caravaggio e Cremasco

BCC Centropadana

BCC Credito Padano

BCC Cremasca e Mantovana

BCC Garda

BCC Lezzeno

BCC Milano

BCC Mozzanica

BCC Oglio e Serio

BCC Rivarolo Mantovano

BCC Treviglio

BCC Valle del Lambro

BCC Banca della Valsassina

Marche

BCC Banca dei Sibillini

BCC Banca del Piceno

BCC Banca di Ancona e Falconara Marittima

BCC Banca Pesaro

BCC Fano

BCC Filottrano

BCC Metauro

BCC Ostra e Morro d'Alba

BCC Ostra Vetere

BCC Pergola e Corinaldo

BCC Recanati e Colmurano

BCC Ripatransone e Fermano





Molise

BCC Gambatesa

Piedmont

Banca Alpi Marittime Banca d'Alba

Apulia

BCC Appulo Lucana

BCC Avetrana

BCC Banca Bari e Taranto

BCC Banca di Andria

BCC Canosa Loconia

BCC Castellana Grotte

BCC degli Ulivi Terra di Bari

BCC Erchie

BCC Leverano

BCC Marina di Ginosa

BCC Ostuni

BCC Putignano

BCC Santeramo in Colle

BCC Terra d'Otranto

Sardinia

BCC Banca di Arborea

BCC Banca di Cagliari

Sicily

BCC Agrigentino

BCC Altofonte e Caccamo

BCC Banca Don Rizzo

BCC Banca San Francesco

BCC G. Toniolo e San Michele di San Cataldo

BCC Madonie

BCC Pachino

BCC Valle del Fitalia Longi

BCC Valle del Torto

Tuscany-Umbria

Banca di Anghiari e Stia

Banca Tema

Banco Fiorentino

BCC Banca Alta Toscana

BCC Banca Centro Toscana Umbria

BCC Banca dell'Elba

BCC Banca Pescia e Cascina

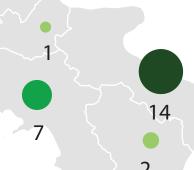
BCC Banca Valdarno

BCC Pontassieve

BCC Valdarno Fiorentino

BCC Banca Versilia Lunigiana e Garfagnana

ChiantiBanca



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Banca della Marca Banca delle Terre Venete

BCC Banca Annia

BCC Banca Veronese

BCC Valpolicella Benaco

BCC Veneta

Veneto

BCC Vicentino Pojana Maggiore

CentroMarca Banca



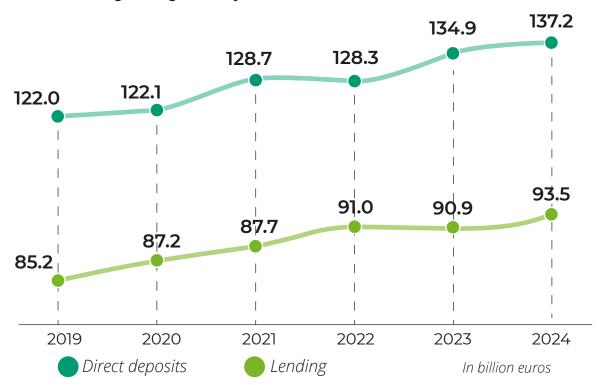


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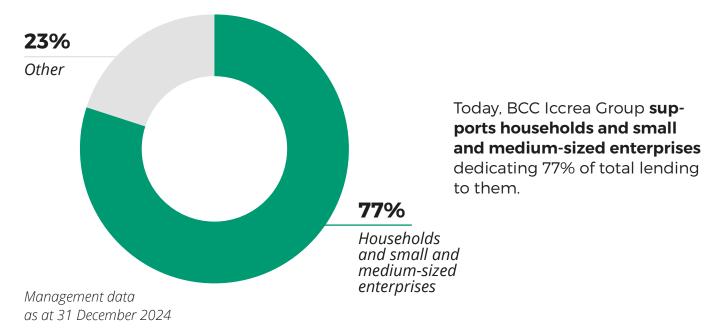
2024

Direct deposits and loans to customers

Since the Group's inception in 2019, **direct deposits** and loans have been growing steadily.



Group Banks' loans to support local communities



Excellent evaluations from rating agencies

Rating agencies, which assess the reliability of financial institutions, have significantly **improved their ratings** for BCC Iccrea Group over the past few years. S&P Global Ratings' and Fitch Ratings' assessments have increased by 3 notches, while Morningstar DBRS' rating has increased by 2 notches. All agencies have given the Group an "Investment Grade" rating.

	2020 2025		Improvement	
S&P Global Ratings	BB Negative	BBB Stable	+3	
FitchRatings BB-Stable		 BBB- Positive 	+3	
M\(\text{RNINGSTAR} \) \(\text{DBRS} \)	BB (HIGH) Stable	 BBB Stable	+2	

Updated situation as of April 18, 2025

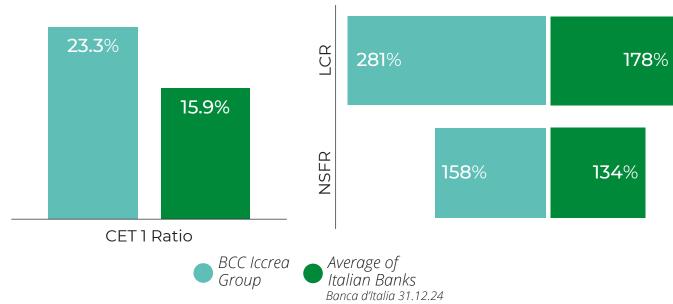
Soundness and liquidity, the comparison with the Italian average

BCC Iccrea Group exhibits **soundness** above the average of the Italian banking system with a 23.3%, **CET1 Ratio**, one of the highest in Italy.

The ratio that measures the **soundness** of a bank. The average CET1 Ratio of Italian banks is 15.9%.

Liquidity indicators (LCR and NSFR) are also well above the industry average.

The LCR indicates the bank's ability to meet any liquidity needs in **the short** term and the NSFR in the **long** term.

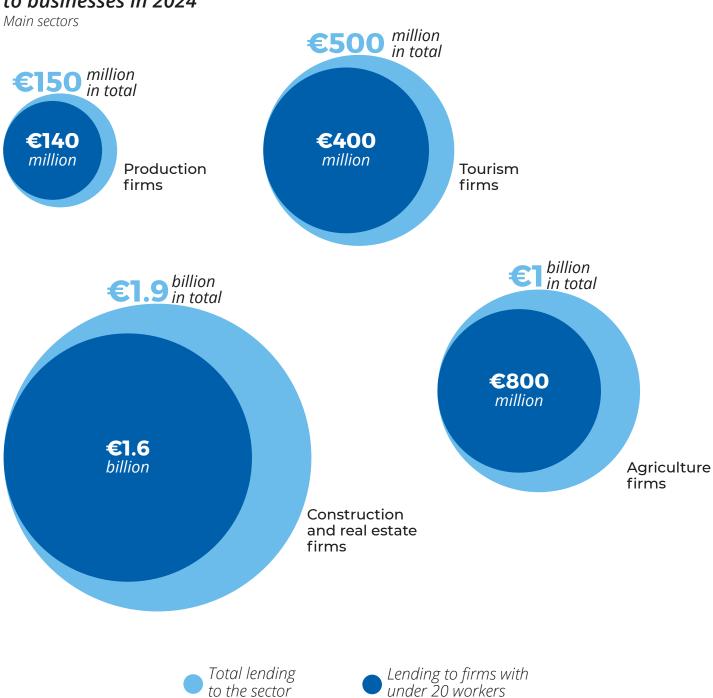


Small and micro businesses are at the heart of BCC Iccrea Group's lending activity



billion is the total amount of loans granted by BCC Iccrea Group to companies with under 20 workers in 2024; more specifically, the bulk of the loans was targeted at companies working in crucial sectors such as skilled production, tourism, agriculture and construction.

Loans granted to businesses in 2024



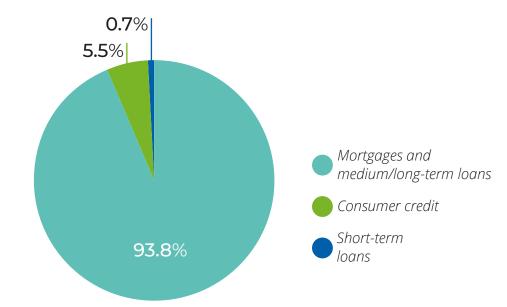
to the sector

Management data as at 31 December 2024

Helping families to buy their own homes

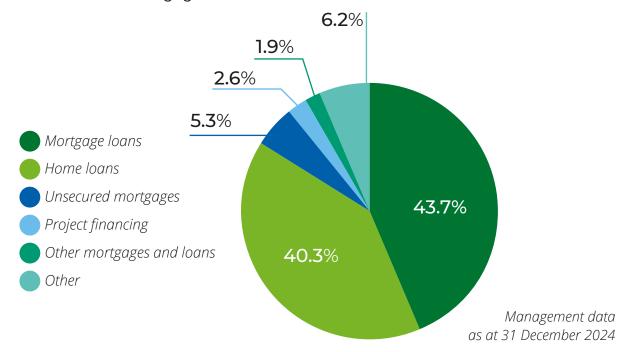
In line with their vocation to be close to the area in which they operate and the communities that live there, BCC Iccrea Group Banks allocate more than 40 % of total lending to **households**, a higher share compared to the average for Italian banks, which amounts to 34% (EBA Risk Dashboard 31.12.24).

Nearly all loans granted to households (93.8%) consists of **mortgages and long-term loans**, mainly for the purchase of the first home. Consumer credit, at 5.5%, accounts for a much smaller share of loans.



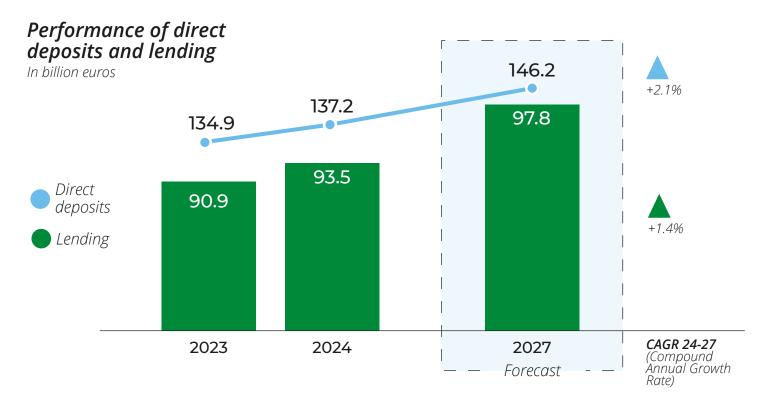
Mortgage and home loans are predominant

40.3% of the loans granted consists of **home loans**, i.e., those issued exclusively for the purchase and refurbishment of one's primary home. Added to this figure is another 43.7 % of **mortgage loans**, which include financing for the purchase of both one's primary home and other real estate. Unsecured mortgages account for 5.3% of the total.



2025/2027 Plan
An increasingly sound Group
at the service of the communities

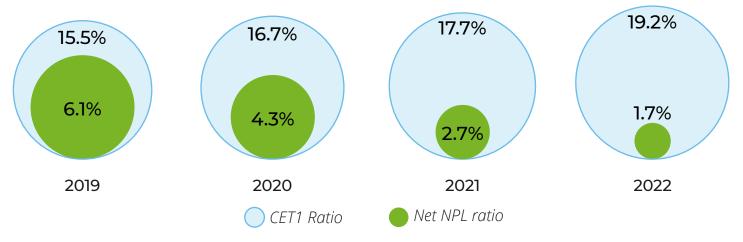
Over the next three years, BCC Iccrea Group expects to reach €97.8 billion in loans to customers (with a 1.4% average annual increase) and €146.2 billion in direct deposits (with a 2.1% average annual growth).



BCC Iccrea Group plans to maintain the **Net NPL ratio** at minimum levels (0.9% in 2027) and further increase the **CET1 ratio** (27.1% in 2027).

It is the ratio between a bank's net non-performing loans and total net loans.

Performance of net NPL ratio and CFT 1 Ratio

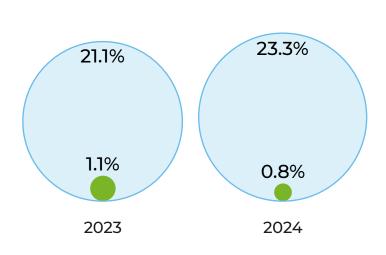


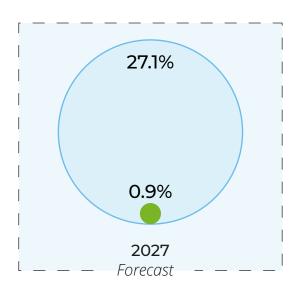
BCC Iccrea Group aims to increase **indirect deposits** (life insurance, assets under administration, assets under management) to \leq 85.1 billion by 2027 and to grow assets under management to \leq 44 billion.

Performance of indirect deposits

In billion euros







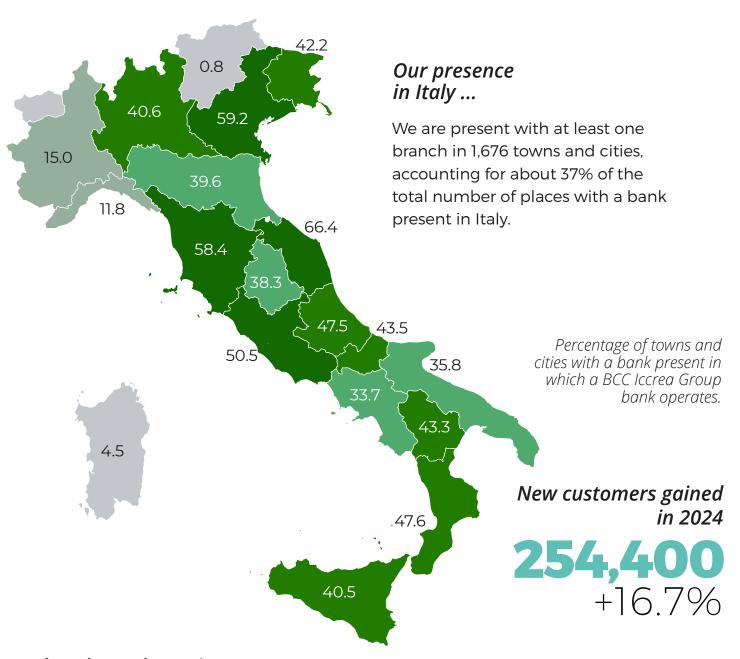


Italy's economic structure is characterized by the predominant presence of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), which are the main engine of the national production system.

The history of these companies is an extraordinary example of resilience, adaptability and innovation.

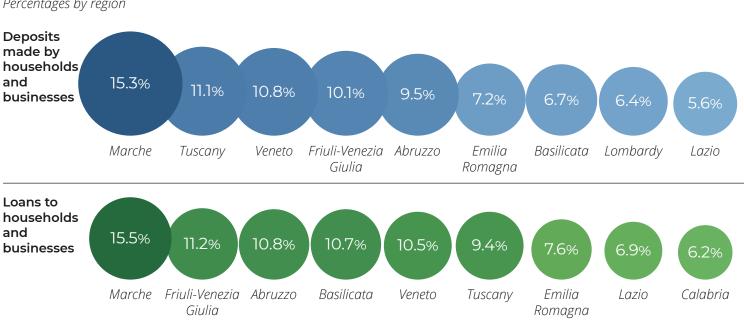
Supporting and investing in the development of these businesses means making a significant contribution to the country's economic stability.

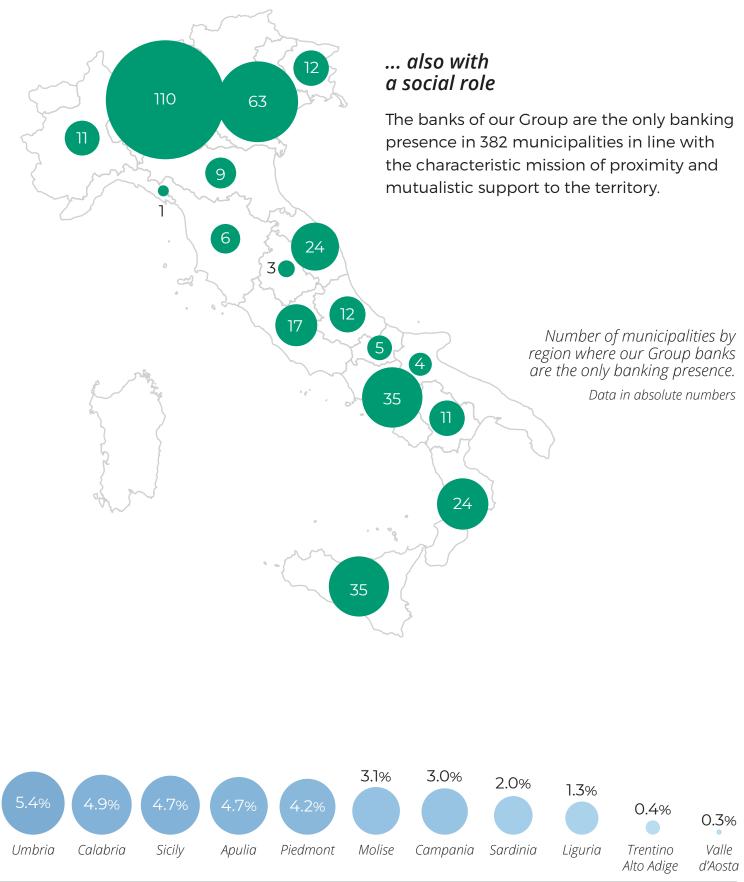
In this respect, **territoriality** represents a fundamental strategic choice for our Group's banks and is made tangible by offering financial support and specialized services to facilitate access to loans and foster the growth of local businesses.

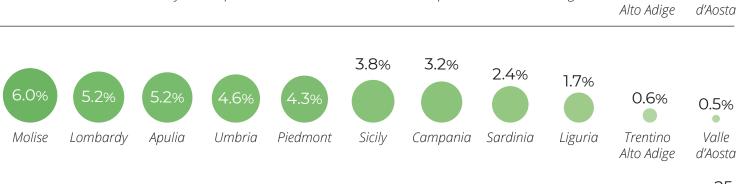


Market shares by region. Customer deposits and lending:

Percentages by region









BCC Iccrea Group Banks are the driver for the development of people and communities, and there is one word that sums it all up: mutuality.

It means financial inclusion, support for members, and real services to people. True to the revolutionary idea that inspired the birth of the **Rural Banks** at the end of the 1800s, we produce **trust**.

Our goal is to include as many deserving people and initiatives as possible in the mutuality circle.

This was the ideal that gave rise to concrete initiatives such as mutual insurance companies for members and customers.

Cooperatives founded according to principles of solidarity and mutualism - the members, usually small farmers, joined together to save money and offer loans at favorable rates, combating the then widespread usury practices.

The initiatives of BCC Iccrea Group Banks for the benefit of members, customers and local **communities** mainly cover the areas of art and culture, sport and welfare.



How many of us are there now

Between 2019 and 2024, the number of members of BCC Iccrea Group Banks increased by 92.254 or +10%.

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The largest increase in the number of members was seen in **Central Italy** and was equal to 15% between 2019 and 2024.

How many and where are our members

810,317	824,610	845,101	861,150	884,504	902,571	TOTAL
				103,481	104,476	
97,642	98,231	101,098	102,663	103,461		
357,039	366,814	378,220	388,190	402,248	410,843	
		101107	123,143	126,143	129,785	
116,180	118,141 	121,194	123,143	120,110		
239,456	241,424	244,589	247,154	252,632	257,467	
2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
	South	Centre	North East	North West		

Through Local Committees, the Banks in BCC Iccrea Group establish a "direct link" with their local areas. The Group maintains close relations with local communities by **listening to their needs** and promoting services, products and initiatives that are consistent with and instrumental to their development potential.



Equity

The activities of the Group are inspired by equity, equal opportunities and inclusion. In our Group, promoting and implementing an **inclusive culture** is deemed essential when it comes to managing change and innovation in a responsible manner.

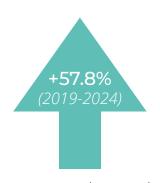
Why do we do it?

For us, equity is not just a value but rather a key element and strategic asset of **social responsibility**, proving our Group's commitment to creating a more sustainable world.

The implementation of fair policies and behaviors fosters a climate of respect in which each individual feels valued and accepted for his or her uniqueness, creating **real opportunities** for professional and personal development and growth for all.

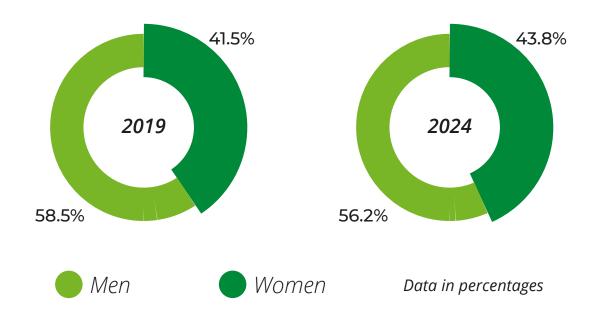
This is what we are committed to in all the Group's people management activities: selection and recruitment, development and training, performance evaluation, compensation and benefits.

In the area of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, BCC Iccrea Group has introduced innovative elements that foster **diversity** and promote **gender equality**.

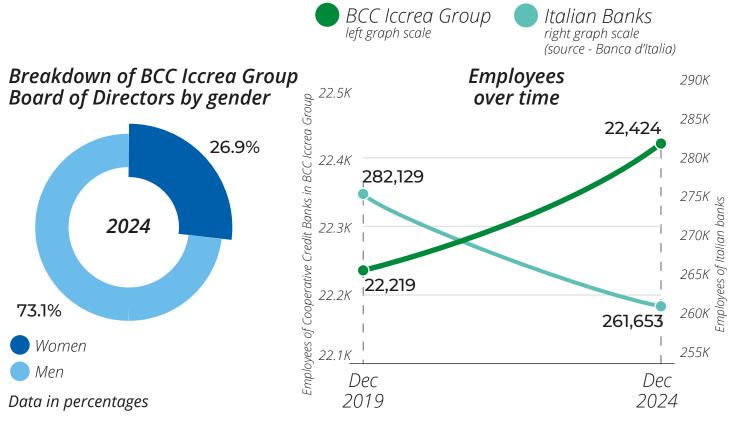


Women on the Boards of Directors of BCC Iccrea Group account for 26.9% of the Board members and overall there are 57.8% more women now compared to when the Group was founded.

BCC Iccrea Group's staff by gender



The staff of the Banks in BCC Iccrea Group have always been the strength of our system. We have consistently worked to maintain a welcoming work environment for our people, a place where everyone's skills are nurtured and where concrete **opportunities for professional growth** and high-level ongoing training can be found. From 2019 to the present, **the number of staff** at the Banks in BCC Iccrea Group **has grown**, in contrast to the trend of the banking system.



Solidarity

For us, social solidarity is not just doing something for others, but with others.

We support charitable and sponsorship initiatives in the areas of healthcare, education, culture, welfare, sport and climate change emergencies, promoting

economic inclusion and social development and prosperity.

We also engage in **healthcare** to provide support to our members and customers and **Social Housing** to mitigate the housing emergency.

We promote and participate in ethical, local initiatives in favor of charity and nonprofit organizations by investing economic resources and encouraging people's active participation and the startup of worthy projects.

It means making sure that everyone, regardless of their status, has the opportunity to participate in the growth of society and benefit from its development. In 2024, more than 24,000 charity and sponsorship **initiatives** were carried out with a **total** disbursement of more than €53 million.

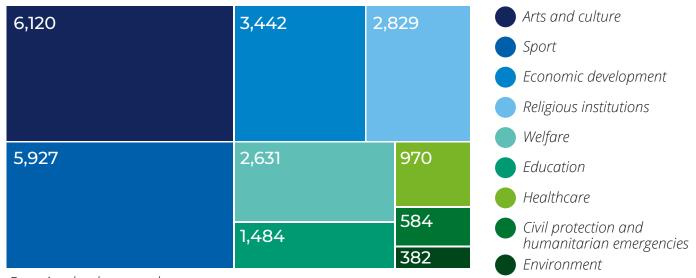






Number of charity initiatives and sponsorships

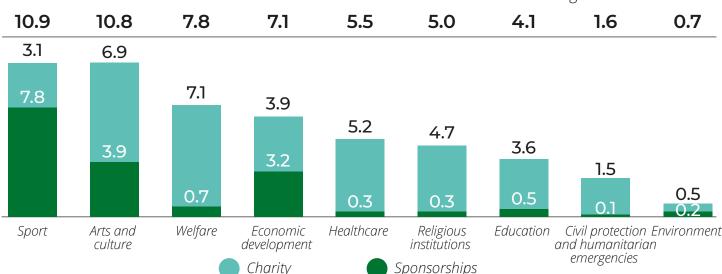
The main initiatives in 2024 were in the areas of **art and culture** (6,120 initiatives) and **sport** (5,927 initiatives). In the first case, **charitable donations** amounting to \leq 6.9 million were made while **sponsorships** totaling \leq 7.8 million were granted in the area of sport.



Data in absolute numbers

Charity initiatives and sponsorships

Figures in million euros



Main focus areas

Health and healthcare

- Purchase of minibuses to transport people with disabilities for the Red Cross
- Provision of advanced medical equipment for hospitals
- Purchase of **ambulances** for municipalities
- Support to scientific research



Social inclusion and support for vulnerable people

- Contributions to in-home care and proper treatment for those in vulnerable situations
- Contributions to shelters and emergency housing projects
- Contributions for the construction of residential homes for the disabled and the elderly



Security and prevention

- **Support** to charity and urban safety organizations
- Purchase of automatic external defibrillators (AEDs) for municipalities and organization of training courses for their use



Mutual insurance companies

A total of

Cooperative Credit Banks have set up an insurance program to offer real support to their members and customers, putting into practice the principles of **mutual assistance**.

The areas in which they operate are:

healthcare

Payment for specialist medical appointments, diagnostic tests, surgeries and other medical services not fully covered by the National Health Service.

Support to welfare needs, such as in-home care or services for the elderly.

social

education

Organization of cultural events, training courses and educational initiatives to promote the members' professional and personal growth.

Promotion of entertainment and sport activities to foster well-being and social ties among members.

entertainment

Crowdfunding

Group banks also use **crowdfunding** to **support projects of a social and cultural nature**, mobilizing economic and social resources while encouraging people's active participation. In 2024, the campaigns completed saw collections exceeding 140% of the initial target, aimed at:

Supporting vulnerable individuals' mobility

Improve the **mobility of people with disabilities**, **the elderly and other vulnerable people**, providing them with greater autonomy and access to essential services, through fundraising activities for the purchase of vehicles, such as minibuses equipped to transport the disabled and elderly, or stair-lift chairs.





Promoting education

Contribution to the creation of learning and inclusive **spaces for young people and families** to carry out educational activities in a safe and inspiring environment.

Supporting households and charity activities

Fundraisers to support households facing economic hardship and social and charity activities in favor of **people in vulnerable situations**, for example through prevention campaigns, reimbursement for healthcare expenses, organization of social gatherings, and support for women suffering from cancer through the provision of services such as free transportation to medical appointments and psychological counseling.

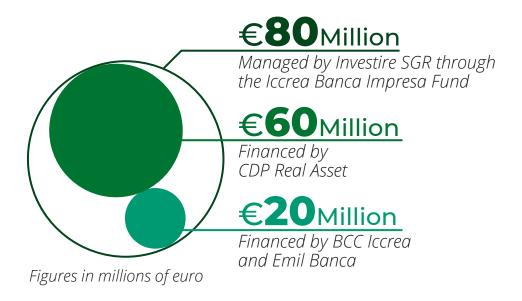


Social Housing

BCC Iccrea Group is also addressing the housing emergency, a phenomenon that has been growing in recent years in Italy, through a solidarity project involving the Iccrea Banca Impresa Fund. This Fund, together with Investire SGR, manages an €80 million plan, €60 million of which financed by CDP Real Asset and €20 million by BCC Iccrea Group together with Emil Banca.



It is a long-term investment for the creation of **social housing** that can be rented or sold at controlled prices to support those who are unable to meet their housing needs on the open market.





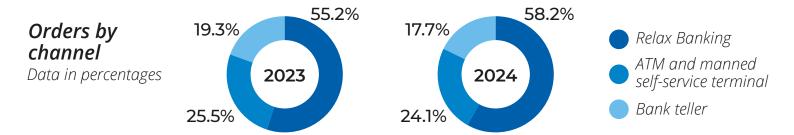
We want to offer our customers increasingly **personalized and innovative products and services**, while strengthening the omnichannel offering through significant investments in people and technologies.

We support the BCCs in their **promotion of innovation** and organize events locally to discuss digital evolution and financial inclusion.

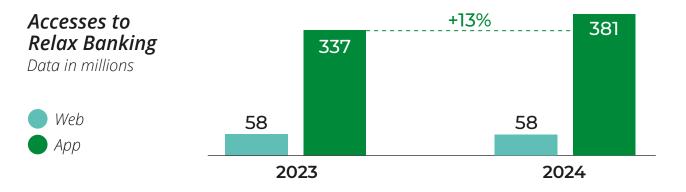
Furthermore, we **grant scholarships** related to innovation to deserving students and select and support **innovative startups** that we then present to the market and accompany in their capital-raising efforts.

An increasingly digital Group

For us, digital channels are tools that work in synergy with the branches in order to strengthen relations: they broaden the meaning of the concept of proximity to achieve a hybrid model consisting of physical closeness and the use of digital channels.



83% of members and customers of BCC Iccrea Group banks have an Internet Banking contract. A total of **58 million** accesses were recorded from the web while those from the App were close to **400 million**. **80%** of all banking transactions in 2024 were conducted on **digital channels**. The current and future ambition of BCC Iccrea Group is to **introduce innovative solutions able to improve production**, **distribution and relationship processes**.



The future will see the evolution of BCC Iccrea Group's digital strategy through:

- The strengthening of mobile-first channels.
- The integrated management of sales and service activities also through the evolution of the Contact Center.
- The enabling of online sales and after-sales processes.

- The improvement of the customer experience.
- The strengthening of security and anti-fraud safeguards for our members and customers.
- The evolution of **digital payments**.

Open Innovation, a modern form of mutuality

The BCC Innovation Festival, among the most notable initiatives, fosters an ecosystem in which local and national levels become two synergic dimensions, aimed at identifying **the best ideas among members and customers**.

+200 Ideas selected

All the BCCs

5 Editions

The path of the Innovation Festival



Training and mentorship of companies

Selection of the startup finalists

The BCC Iccrea Group Banks are leading players in innovation within the community in which they operate, to create a network with specialists in the digital sector, international partners, sponsors, and investors.

Festival Day

Awarding of the most valuable ideas

136 Champions **33**Finalists

Acceleration phase with incubators, firms, universities

16Startups awarded

100 one-to-one meetings between Champions and mentors **26**Speakers on innovation topics

Evaluation of the startup and identification of financing sources

Investor Day



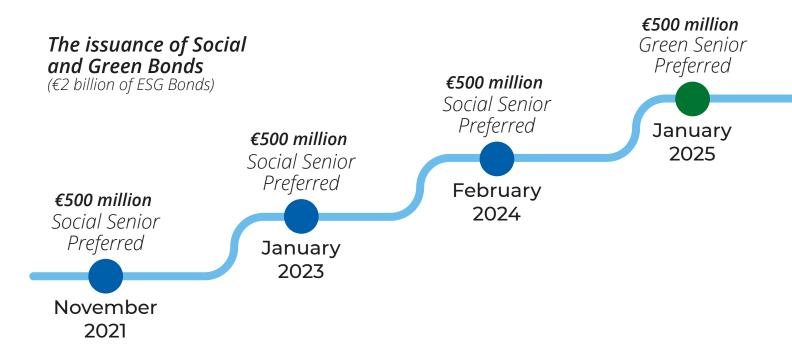
Sustainable finance

At the heart of every bank in BCC Iccrea Group lies a fundamental principle, because no financial choice is ever an end in itself, but rather serves a greater purpose: to support the growth of businesses, households' projects, and strengthen the production network.

In this context, the issuance of bonds by BCC Iccrea Group is aimed at diversifying funding sources, channeling capital also coming from international investors toward uses that support the development of local communities and small and medium-sized enterprises.

Our work shows that financial markets can also be placed at the service of a higher purpose: **distributing resources in a fair and sustainable way**. Each bond issued, as well as social impact lending, is not merely a figure on a balance sheet, it is a small piece in a larger project of collective growth, of support for local production chains, of investment in the vital energy of communities.

Since 2021, BCC Iccrea Group has launched specific bond issuance operations aimed at supporting entrepreneurial initiatives characterized by a social element, totaling €1.5 billion. In addition to these, a Green Bond issuance amounting to €500 million was completed in January 2025.



From 2021 to date, funding from the issuance of the 3 Social Bonds has been allocated to support different categories of beneficiaries:

Women entrepreneurs

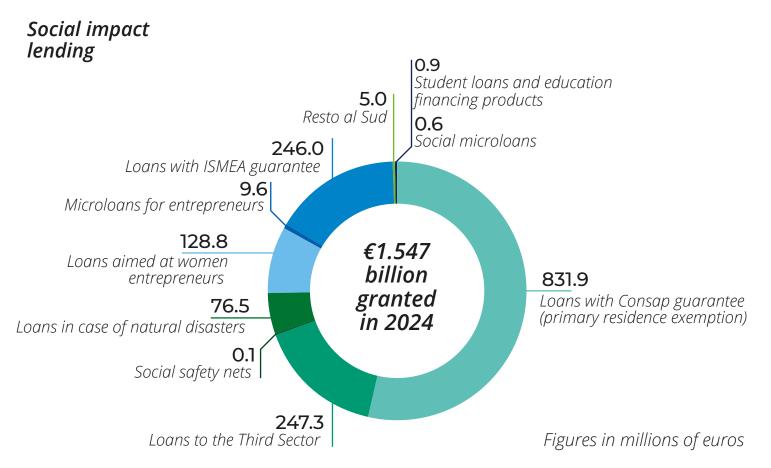
SMEs with under 10 workers and operating in deprived areas or affected by the Covid emergency

Young entrepreneurs

With the aim of strengthening BCC Iccrea Group's commitment to sustainable finance, the first **Green Bond** designed to refinance green mortgages for the purchase of energy-efficient properties was issued.

Over €1.5 billion in social impact financing in 2024

In 2024, the number of loans granted intended for the **social and economic development** of local areas exceeded 13,700, for a total of \le 1.547 billion.



Resto al Sud

€50,000 loans (€200,000 for companies with a minimum of 4 partners) for the establishment and development of new business activities in the **South of Italy**, in the earthquake-prone areas of **Central Italy** and in minor islands in Central-North Italy operating in the trade, industrial, skilled production and agricultural product processing sectors.

Microloans

Direct lending by BCCs in the form of microloans to entrepreneurs; direct social microloans; lending to combat usury; lending under the Microcredito di Libertà (Freedom Microloans) program*. In addition, our Group has signed referral agreements with a number of specialized microloans operators**.

^{*}Initiative of the Italian Department of Family Policies, ABI, Federcasse and Ente Nazionale Microcredito aimed at women who have been victims of violence.

^{**}Permicro, Cassa del Microcredito, Fidipersona

BCC Iccrea Group: excellence in ESG rating

Working for the environment and development of the areas and communities in which it operates has earned the Group an **ESG Risk Rating of 8.2** from Morningstar Sustainalytics, which corresponds to a "**Negligible**" **ESG** risk level, on a scale consisting of five levels (Negligible, Low, Medium, High, Severe) ranging from 0 to over 40.

Environment

Lending portfolio decarbonization strategy.

2030 target: reduction of direct emissions by 20% and indirect energy emissions by 70%.

Social

Continuation of financial inclusion and educational initiatives.

Support to the sustainable transformation of SMEs.

2030 target: 25% more women in management positions compared to 2024.

Governance

Training initiatives for employees, internal staff, and customers to strengthen the ESG culture.

Evolution of the internal organizational structure with a view to FSG.

Morningstar Sustainalytics' ESG Risk Ranking



€12.2 billion of sustainable investments

Attention to ESG criteria is particularly evident in BCC Iccrea Group's **investments**, which exclude those companies dealing in alcohol, gambling, tobacco, nuclear energy, weapons, or that are responsible for toxic or polluting emissions, exploitation of land and water, and violating human and labor rights. Altogether, **sustainable investments under management** total **more than €12.2 billion** with about **€2.8 billion in funds raised** during the year.

Edufin

What exactly does this expression mean? In Italy,

The General Provisions concerning **financial, insurance and social security education** (Art. 24-bis of Italian Law 15/2017) define financial education as "the process through which people improve their understanding of financial instruments and products and develop the skills necessary to acquire greater awareness of financial risks and opportunities."

Financial education therefore is a valuable building block that contributes to the refinement of the complex mosaic that is **people's financial inclusion**, which in turn fosters community development.

When seen from another angle, financial education is a **tool at the service of the civic economy** that is indispensable for the achievement of the **common good**.

22 BCCs
APPROX. 30 SCHOOLS

67PUBLICATIONS

39 STORIES 100,318 VIEWS

28
POSTS



What we did in 2024

- Promotion of "Finanza Epica!", the program of cooperative and mutual financial education of the Fondazione del Credito Cooperativo Tertio Millennio ETS - Nonprofit organization.
- Participation in the Foundation for Financial Education and Savings (FEduF), established at the initiative of the Italian Banking Association (ABI) enabling the Group's BCCs to make use of free educational materials and have a direct channel for the personalized development of educational pathways.

- Updates on BCC Iccrea Group's financial education portal.
- Launch of a section dedicated to financial education on BCC Iccrea Group's Instagram channel divided into three editorial lines: "Glossary", 'EduQuiz', "Insights."
- Addition to the training program of a course dedicated to financial education, entitled "Financial Education and the Community Banks of BCC Iccrea Group" aimed at BCC Iccrea Group Bank staff.
- Participation in the seventh edition of Financial Education Month with initiatives by BCCs in the BCC Iccrea Group.

"Finanza Epica!"

"Finanza Epica!" is an **educational project on finance, cooperation and mutuality** topics sponsored by the Fondazione del Credito Cooperativo Tertio Millennio ETS - Nonprofit organization, and is aimed at high school students. It consists of six modules that address:

- Civic Economy
- **Savings** and personal budgeting
- What a **Community Bank** is and what it does
- Circular economy
- E-money and digital payments
- Frauds

The project offers an interpretation of economic issues **from the perspective of mutual credit cooperation**. In particular, the themes of economic reciprocity, participation, responsible use of money, geo-circular economy and, of course, the unique and distinctive experience of **community cooperative banks** are explored.

Arte&Cultura



With the **BCC Arte&Cultura** strategic initiative, we take on the role of partner to public institutions **to relaunch the core identity of Italy**, the representation of our age-old history and contemporary creativity and innovation, in line with the implementation of the UN Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development and the National Recovery and Resilience Plan. With BCC Arte&Cultura we operate **in three key areas**:



The BCCs' art collections, from Magna Graecia archaeological finds to contemporary art, form the **nation's largest private diffuse museum**. Today, this museum opens its doors both in person and on the web, it includes a virtual immersive version

and, to get even closer to communities, is supported by a catalogue-guide featuring extraordinary life stories of previously unknown authors.

BCC Arte&Cultura steps into middle schools with a **nationwide educational plan**, seeking to provide new motivation through a digital text distributed free of charge, with the aim of inspi-



ring young people to learn about the art of the territories protected by BCCs, also using cutting-edge tools, while teaching them to **marvel** at art and **share it** around.



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The **BCC Book Club**, started up in 2018 for Group employees, with BCC Arte&Cultura expands to BCCs' members, customers and communities and launches a **national plan to promote rea**-

ding through meetings with writers and discounts on book purchases, involving the leading Italian publishing houses and local bookstores recommended by the Banks.

The objective is to **strengthen the bond that ties together the cultural richness of communities,** thus renewing the ethical responsibility that marks our origins. To this end, through Art and Culture, BCC Iccrea Group is committed to advancing on the path toward the creation of a **civic, fair, and human economy**.

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