

GENDER EQUALITY

**ACTIVITY REPORT
2025**



Accelerated mobilization for gender equality and women's rights

In 2025, the renewal of France's International Strategy for a Feminist Foreign Policy (2025-2030) reaffirmed the priority given to gender equality and the rights of women and girls. Building on this strategy, AFD Group is strengthening its action, notably through its new Social Link roadmap, by mobilizing public, private, and civil society partners to help build more equal and inclusive societies.

2025 trends

- 75% of financing committed with gender objectives aimed at equality, social inclusion, and reduction of socio-economic inequalities.
- 65% of financing committed with climate co-benefits also include gender equality objectives.
- 20% of grants allocated by the French government prioritize gender equality (vs. 11% in 2024, DAC 2).

Key figures

Committed financing incorporating objectives to promote gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls* (French overseas territories not included)

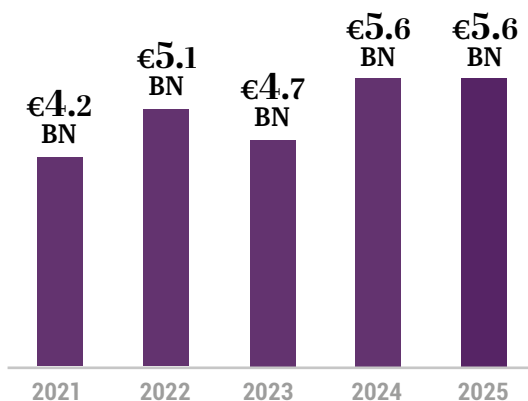
€5.6 BN
in committed financing
representing **68%** of AFD's
total committed financing

86%
of the €5.6 BN in
committed financing
in the form of **loans**

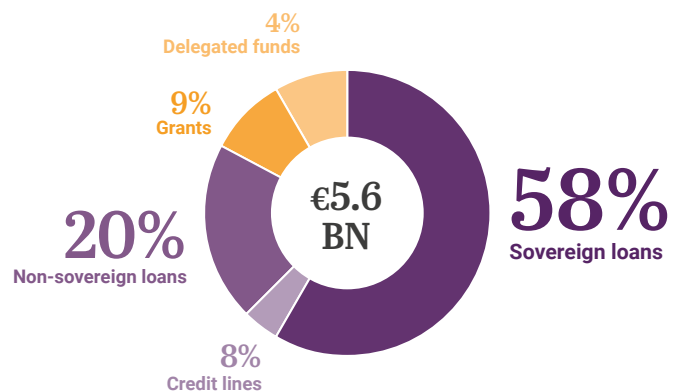
€24.6 BN
in the
active project
portfolio

Trends in committed financing*

5-YEAR TREND



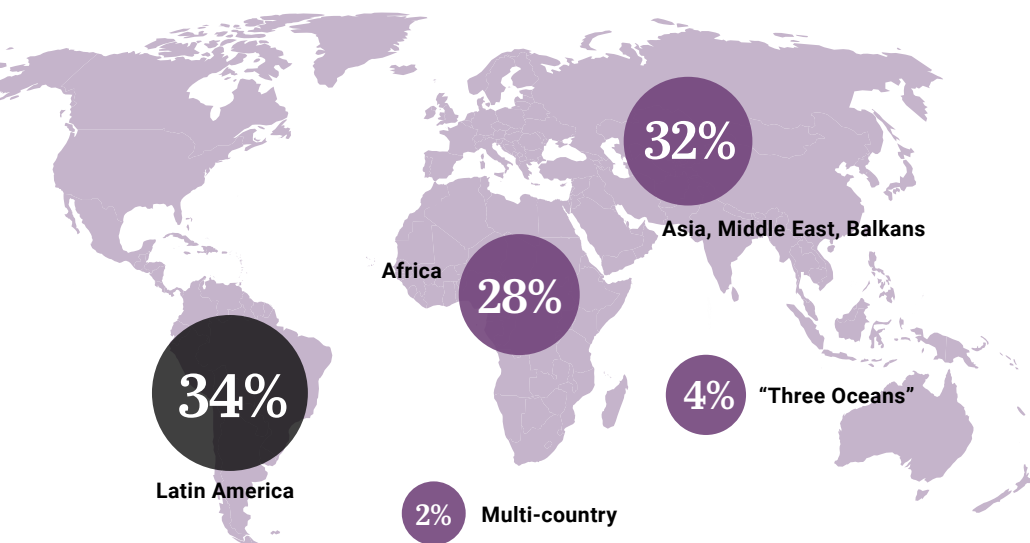
BREAKDOWN BY FINANCIAL TOOL



The level of AFD commitments to gender equality remained high in 2025, despite budgetary constraints. The five-year trajectory illustrates the gradual mainstreaming of gender equality into all of AFD Group's sectors of action and financial tools.

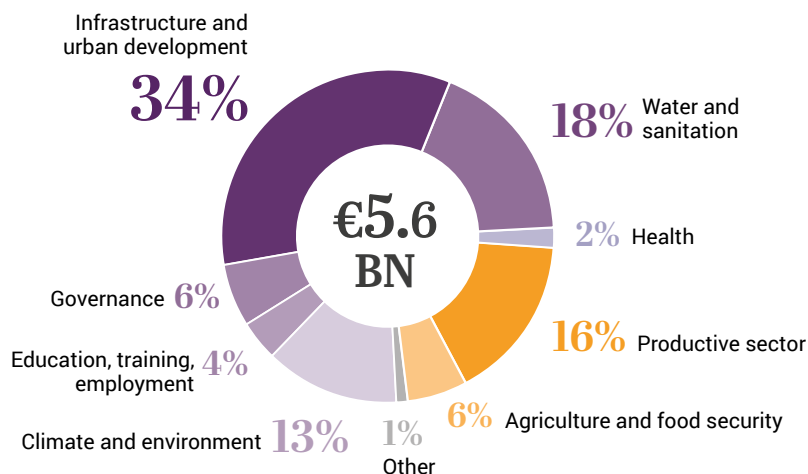
On the ground

GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN OF COMMITTED FINANCING
THAT INCLUDES A GENDER EQUALITY OBJECTIVE*



To promote the rights of women and girls worldwide, AFD Group works across all sectors using its full range of financing instruments, including loans and grants, to support partners ranging from governments, public banks, and local authorities to feminist civil society organizations.

THEMATIC BREAKDOWN OF COMMITTED FINANCING*



*DAC 1 and DAC 2

The Support Fund for Feminist Organizations (FSOF), a flagship tool for feminist diplomacy

Co-managed by AFD and the French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs, the FSOF mobilized €40 million in 2025 to support 23 projects led by feminist organizations in partner countries. Funded projects deal with technology-facilitated gender-based violence; the Women, Peace and Security agenda; and the sexual and reproductive health and rights of adolescent girls and young women.



12 million

women and girls have seen their living conditions improve thanks to the projects completed in 2025.



44.5 million

women and girls will benefit from financing committed in 2025.

Multiple challenges

Financial services and women's entrepreneurship, reproductive and sexual health and rights, gender-based violence, gender-responsive budgeting, the care sector, gender and climate, gender-sensitive infrastructure, etc.

Gender equality across AFD Group operations



€643 M

dedicated to financing projects aligned with the **2X Challenge**, a global initiative that expands opportunities for women as entrepreneurs, managers, and employees through private sector investment.



86%

of new projects in 2025 include gender equality as an objective.

Did you know?

The OECD DAC gender markers help qualify the contribution of projects to gender equality:

- DAC 1: significant objective
- DAC 2: main objective

