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### Presentation of the 21<sup>st</sup> Edition of the annual report on banking supervision 2024

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In the 21st edition of its annual report on banking supervision for the year 2024, Bank Al-Maghrib presents its regulatory and supervisory mission, as well as the performance of credit institutions and similar bodies.

Over the course of the year, the national economy demonstrated notable resilience, despite a challenging international environment and successive years of drought, recording a growth rate of 3.8 percent and a significant decline in inflation to 0.9 percent.

Against this backdrop, Bank Al-Maghrib initiated a monetary policy easing cycle by reducing its interest rate twice, in June and December, by a total of 50 basis points, bringing the rate down to 2.50 percent.

Regarding bank credit, it increased by 4.6 percent, and customer deposits expanded by 9.2 percent. The ratio of non-performing loans stood at 8.4 percent on a corporate basis and 9 percent on a consolidated basis, reflecting relatively stable levels compared to the previous year.

The aggregate earnings of conventional banks rose by 24.1 percent, reinforcing the sector's strength and solvency. Meanwhile, participatory banks reached breakeven after a period of gradually scaling up their activities.

The banking sector registered an average solvency ratio of 16.2 percent and an average Tier 1 capital ratio of 13.5 percent, both exceeding the regulatory minimum thresholds of 12 percent and 9 percent, respectively. The average Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) also remained at a comfortable level.

Beyond traditional banking risks, Bank Al-Maghrib enhanced its focus on emerging risks related to climate change and the expansion of digital banking services.



In this context, the Bank issued two new regulatory directives for banking institutions, outlining its requirements for climate risk management. It also contributed to the formulation of a climate finance strategy targeting 2030, in coordination with the relevant authorities.

Concerning digitalization of financial services, Bank Al-Maghrib undertook a significant reform of the regulatory framework governing payment institutions and services, aiming to boost digital payments.

Additionally, the Bank granted licenses to three crowdfunding companies, including one specializing in donation-based financing.

Simultaneously, it reinforced its oversight of cyber risks and enhanced coordination in this area with the General Directorate of Information Systems Security, under the Administration of National Defense.

The year 2024 also witnessed the completion of legislative and regulatory reforms intended to strengthen the bank crisis management framework. These reforms encompassed a comprehensive overhaul of the tools for addressing difficulties encountered by credit institutions, as well as a revision of the internal mechanism for granting emergency liquidity to banks. In parallel, a draft law establishing a secondary market for non-performing loans was finalized.

In the field of financial integrity, Bank Al-Maghrib has contributed to finalizing a draft law on crypto-assets, aimed at aligning our country with the relevant international regulatory framework.

Regarding consumer protection, Bank Al-Maghrib strengthened its supervisory oversight of credit institutions to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements. The Bank also undertook actions aimed at improving the accessibility of banking services for persons with disabilities.

Finally, Bank Al-Maghrib implemented measures to promote the secure use of digital banking services and to raise public awareness on preventive actions against financial scams risks.