

PERFORMANCE AND COMPENSATION

The aim of the Group's compensation policy is to ensure its attractiveness and its employees' commitment and retention over the long term, whilst also ensuring appropriate compliance and risk management and promoting the Group's values. For Chief Executive Officers, it is designed to recognise implementation of the Group's strategy and promote its longevity in the interests of shareholders, clients and employees alike.

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2022 KEY FIGURES

10,052м€ in personnel expenses

gross annual compensation¹

88,232€ 10 M€ DEDICATED **OVER 4 YEARS** to reduce wage gaps at Societe Generale SA in France

OF EMPLOYEES had an annual performance review **72.1**M€ IN COMPANY CONTRIBUTIONS paid into mutual funds by Societe Generale in France

1. Societe Generale SA in France, foreign branches.



OFFERING A FAIR AND ATTRACTIVE COMPENSATION POLICY TO RETAIN EMPLOYEES

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The Group strives to offer fair and attractive compensation that helps retain employees and boosts the Group's performance over the long term. The compensation policy is built on the principles of non-discrimination and fair treatment of all employees, and relies on common principles for all. Next, it is developed according to the businesses and geographic areas in which the Group operates, in consideration of market practices and conditions. This policy can be adapted whenever national regulations require it.

On average, the lowest salary paid in our entities is 60% higher than the local legal minimum.

The Group's compensation policies and principles are presented each year in the Group's compensation policies and practices report in compliance with current regulations (see <u>Compensation Policies and Practices report</u>).

Though adapted to the economic, social, legal and competitive environment of the markets in which the Group operates, this policy is nevertheless based on principles shared by all entities:

- rewarding individual and collective performance;
- promoting healthy and effective risk management and ensuring employees are not prompted to take inappropriate risks;
- attracting, retaining and motivating strategic talent and key resources;
- aligning the interests of employees with those of the Group and shareholders;
- ensuring employees comply with the applicable internal rules and regulations and that clients are treated fairly.



Monetary compensation includes a **base salary**, which rewards the ability to satisfactorily hold a position using the requisite skills and is determined in a manner consistent with market practices. It also includes **variable compensation** to recognise collective and individual performance (see <u>Compensation Policies</u> and Practices report).

For the 2022 financial year, personnel expenses for the Group¹ totalled €9.76 billion (see <u>Personnel</u> expenses and related-party transactions in the Universal Registration Document).

based on Societe Generale shares.

Each year, employees of Societe Generale SA in France and Boursorama, as well as certain foreign subsidiaries, specifically the United Kingdom, Italy, Madagascar and Luxembourg, receive a Total Reward Statement, which provides a personalised overview of the components of their total compensation.

Personnel expenses include all expenses related to personnel,
 including employee benefits and expenses related to payments

FOCUS ON REDUCING THE GENDER WAGE GAP AT SOCIETE GENERALE SA IN FRANCE

The French Decree on Gender Workplace Equality (the fifth such agreement since 2005), signed unanimously by trade unions on 19 December 2019, was extended until the end of 2023. This agreement solidified the commitments made on this subject over the past several years and identified new actions and commitments to **advance workplace equality**, particularly by eliminating the disparities in women's and men's wages, including neutralising the impact of maternity leave on both fixed and variable compensation.

Through this agreement, Societe Generale is reinforcing its compensation goals and actions:

- a four-year budget of €10m to eliminate the wage gap through the 2019 wage agreement (vs. €5.1m for the previous three years), including €3m for 2022. Management has confirmed that these commitments will be maintained, with €3.5m allocated for 2023;
- in 2022, the budget was used to adjust the fixed compensation of 1,138 women, for an average increase of more than €2,641, or 5.4%;
- the salary review on returning from maternity or adoption leave or childcare leave must be at least equal to the average adjustments made for employees in the same

category. Quite often, this amount is exceeded due to application of the minimum raise. Fixed salaries are adjusted for all women returning from maternity or adoption leave. Since 2020, the Group has offered those eligible for paternity or childwelcoming leave their full salary for 11 days or 18 days for multiple births. The proportion of fathers or second parents who could claim paternity and child-welcoming leave, who had taken at least one day past the legal three-day leave period, is increasing from 91% in 2021 to 96% in 2022. The proportion of those who took the full paternity and child-welcoming leave (25 or 32 days) was 47% in 2022.

The Group's governance of compensation policy provides for a **comprehensive and independent compensation policy review.** Furthermore, as part of the annual compensation review process, the HR teams monitor how compensation, specifically pay rises and promotions, is distributed between men and women.



ACKNOWLEDGING EACH EMPLOYEE'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE GROUP'S PERFORMANCE

In a pledge of fairness for Societe Generale, all employees are given a performance review based on a common model that has been in place in the Group since 2008.

- Individual employee performance is measured using quantitative and qualitative operational and behavioural targets, which are set each year.
- The recommended methodology for setting targets is the SMART method (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-Bound goals) to set precisely identified and observable goals using indicators known to employees.
- Qualitative goals are individualised, relevant to the position's occupation and pay grade. Quality risk management resources and behaviours used to achieve

- results (cooperation, teamwork, people management, and client satisfaction) are recommended. Thus, one or two development goals must address the Group's Leadership Model¹ (see <u>Corporate</u> Culture and Ethics Principles report).
- Employees are reviewed during a meeting with their direct manager. In addition, feedback may be requested from other contributors, including a manager from the function, peers or team members.
- Beyond this common system, the Group encourages regular feedback and recognises the right to make a mistake (see <u>Corporate</u> Culture and Ethics Principles report).

In 2022, 94% of employees underwent an annual performance review.

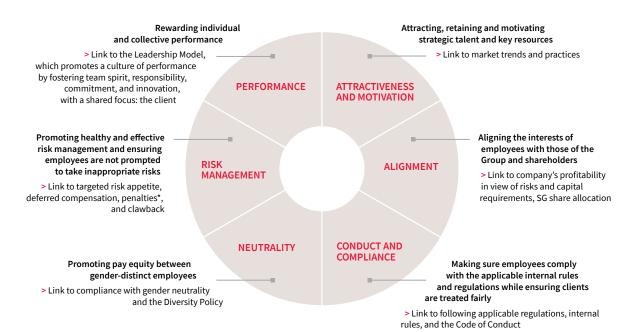
 The Leadership Model defines the behaviours and skills expected of employees, managers, and Chief Executive Officers, in connection with the Group's values (Innovation, Responsibility, Commitment, Team Spirit) and client focus.

ENSURING THAT COMPENSATION DECISIONS TAKE PERFORMANCE REVIEWS INTO ACCOUNT

Decisions on compensation should reflect the performance review, which should be based on quantitative and qualitative criteria (operational and professional behavioural development targets) and behavioural assessment in terms of compliance with applicable regulations and internal rules, specifically *the Code of Conduct, the Anti-Corruption Code* and *the Tax Code of Conduct.* Depending on the job, the review should include the following criteria:

- sound and prudent risk management;
- respect for the assignment given in terms of activity and limits;
- quality of services provided to clients;
- respect for clients' interests and fair treatment;
- sustainability-related risk management.

GROUP COMPENSATION POLICY GOALS





- * Deferred compensation: payment of variable compensation is deferred beyond certain thresholds in order to align the compensation structure with risks and long-term performance.
- **Penalty: the Bank may reduce or cancel the deferred variable compensation before the vesting or payment date if performance conditions are not met or in response to a case of inappropriate conduct.
- ***Clawback: the bank can request the return of variable compensation components already paid, subject to regulations in force.

The compensation policy stipulates that compensation should not be influenced by the fact that an employee has raised an alert, in keeping with the Group's whistleblowing policy (see *Corporate Culture and Ethics report*).

To prevent any conflict of interest, variable compensation is not directly or solely correlated to revenues generated.

Individual situations (fixed compensation plus, as applicable, variable compensation and/or long-term profit-sharing plan) are reviewed each year (see *Chapter 3 of the Universal Registration Document*).

During the hiring process, the Group adjusts each employee's compensation according to several criteria, including business experience, technical and behavioural skills, and education and training, in line with internal and external practices.

The governance rules and principles related to compensation are detailed in the Group's normative documentation. The diagram below summarises the goals of the Group's compensation policy.

ALLOCATING A PORTION OF COMPENSATION BASED ON THE GROUP'S COLLECTIVE COMMITMENT SCHEMES



Beyond the variable compensation packages determined according to the company's overall performance, Societe Generale offers its employees collective commitment schemes: profit-sharing and incentives, employee savings plans and employee share ownership.

PROFIT-SHARING AND INCENTIVES

The total amount of profit-sharing and incentives (including additional incentive payments) distributed in 2022 in respect of 2021 was €175.4m, including a €10m share relating to the CSR objective, which can be attributed to the Bank's strong performance in terms of corporate social responsibility.

GLOBAL EMPLOYEE SHARE OWNERSHIP PROGRAMME

In 2022, under the 29th Global Employee Share Ownership Programme, more than 118,000 employees in 168 entities and 44 geographic locations had the option to subscribe to the capital increase reserved for them. Ultimately, over 46,000 employees subscribed to the Programme, investing **a total of €235.7m**, the highest amount subscribed since 2009.

EMPLOYEE SAVINGS PLANS

At the end of 2022, current and former employees of Societe Generale, representing more than 88,000 people, held a total of 7.93% of the share capital and 13.20% of the voting rights under the Company and Group Savings Plans.

At Societe Generale SA in France, just as at the majority of subsidiaries enrolled in the company and group savings plans (29/45 subsidiaries), employees also have a stake in the Bank's **development through its profit-sharing and incentive schemes.** For Societe Generale SA in France, these schemes are linked to the Company's overall performance (financial and extra-financial) and are governed by agreements signed with the representative trade unions every three years.

The company and group savings plans provide the option of medium-/long-term savings and favourable financial and tax conditions¹. The range of company mutual funds (FCPEs) offered through these plans is made up of a diversified panel of funds, seven of which are offered in the company and group savings plans (PEE/PEG), including the employee share ownership fund (Fonds E).

"€175.4M in profit-sharing and incentives distributed in 2022"

The employer matching contribution amounted to €72.1m² in 2022. Financial compensation (profit-sharing and incentive payments) may be invested in the Company and Group savings plans.

Societe Generale's employee savings plan offers employees the opportunity to invest in various SRI-certified (Socially Responsible Investments) company mutual funds (FCPE)³.

As of 31 December 2022, all SRI funds in the Group's savings plans in France (the various Company Savings Plans, Group Savings Plans, and Collective Retirement Savings Plans) represented €498 million in assets under management.

^{1.} An employer matching contribution and discount on the Societe Generale share in the event of a capital increase reserved for employees and retired former employees.

^{2.} Gross, in millions of euros for Societe Generale SA in France and the majority of its 45 subsidiaries enrolled in the Group Savings Plan in France.

^{3. (}FCPE) For Societe Generale: SG Obligations ISR, SG Diversifié ISR, SG Otiversifié ISR, SG Otiversifié

EMPLOYEE SHARE OWNERSHIP

Bonus shares have been issued in France since 2006 and internationally since 2009, as authorised at the General Meeting. The Board of Directors defines the allocation policy, following the recommendations of the Compensation Committee.

Shares are granted in order to **reward**, **motivate and secure the long-term loyalty** of three categories of employees: employees who have made a significant contribution to the Group's results, with respect to their responsibilities; high-potential employees whose expertise is highly sought-after on the job market; and employees whose work has proved extremely valuable to the Company.



2022 LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLANS

Based on a proposal from the Compensation Committee, the Board of Directors, at its meeting of 10 March 2022, granted performance shares to certain members of staff in accordance with the 24th and 25th resolutions of the General Meeting held in May 2020.

Pursuant to the 24th resolution, the performance shares granted under the specific loyalty and compensation policy for regulated persons as defined by banking regulations (including Chief Executive Officers and Executive Committee members) represent 0.22% of the share capital¹, corresponding to a total of 903,466 shares.

Their vesting periods range from two to six years, followed by a holding period of at least six months.

All shares are contingent on the profitability of the Group and/or the business or division.

The specific terms are applicable to Chief Executive Officers (they are detailed on p. 13 of this report and in the <u>Universal</u> <u>Registration Document</u>).

Pursuant to the 25th resolution, there were 4,856 beneficiaries of the long-term incentive plan receiving approximately 1,214,267 shares overall, i.e., 0.14% of the share capital. Chief Executive Officers and members of the Group Management Committee were not beneficiaries of the plan. The beneficiaries comprised 2,276 women and 2,580 men belonging to other employee categories (including nonexecutives) across 53 different countries; 41% of beneficiaries were working outside France. All shares are granted subject to a condition of presence throughout the vesting period as well as a performance condition based on Societe Generale's net income. The shares will vest definitively for each beneficiary after three years.

The Group also offers local benefit plans,

supplementing the mandatory coverage. Benefits also include social protection (retirement, personal protection, and health insurance) as well as family benefits and leave. The Group's subsidiaries and branches ensure that the social protection plans offered to employees are competitive and appropriate to the local context (see Occupational Health and Safety report).

^{1.} Capital as of the date of the General Meeting that authorised the plan.



RECOGNISING APPROPRIATE RISK MANAGEMENT AND CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY ISSUES IN EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION

RECOGNISING THE GROUP'S RISKS AND HOW THEY ARE MANAGED

Recognition of risks in the compensation policy is detailed in the public report (see *Part 2, specifically 2.3.1 for ex-ante recognition in the Compensation Policies and Practices report*). It is presented to the Risk Committee annually, and a Director on the Risk Committee sits on the Compensation Committee.

Since 2018, the Group annual employee review has included a mandatory **Conduct** and Compliance section, which managers use to recognise employee behaviour that does not comply with the internal rules and regulations that employees are required to respect in their day-to-day work, with regard to risk control, service quality and respect of client interests. It is also used to evaluate employees' engagement with Societe Generale Group's CSR policy. If an employee is found to have failed to comply with the rules of conduct and compliance, their manager must implement a specific action plan to help them correct the issues. The information collected as part of this professional evaluation is a factor in career progression and management, particularly when it comes to compensation and promotions.

Aligning employee compensation with the Bank's risk management, where employees include management bodies and, more broadly, regulated employees¹, is a multilevel process:

- in compensation governance Every year, the Group's various control functions are involved at different levels to assess the compliance of the Group's compensation policy (see <u>Compensation</u> <u>Policies and Practices report</u>);
- in the make-up of variable compensation packages, which are determined with careful consideration of the Bank's various risks, ensuring that the total variable compensation amount will not undermine the Group's capacity to shore up its equity;
- and in the employee reviews factored into individual allocations. The compensation policy applicable to members of the Group's management bodies and, more broadly, to its regulated employees promotes best practices by tying their variable compensation to a number of quantitative and qualitative factors, including respect for compliance and risk management rules².



The connections between Chief Executive Officers and the appropriate management of our risks is detailed in the Universal Registration Document.

^{1.} Individuals having a significant impact on the Group's risk profile (see Compensation Policies and Practices report).

^{2.} In addition to the annual reviews conducted by the management line, reviews are carried out independently by the Risk and Compliance Divisions on certain categories of regulated employees (CRD IV, AIFMD, and UCITS V) and employees in charge of trading desks (French Banking Law and Volcker Rule), as well as any other employee for whom it is deemed relevant.

ALIGNING EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION WITH CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY ISSUES FOR THE GROUP



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION

Aligning employee compensation, including that of Chief Executive Officers and members of the Management Committee, with the Group's corporate social responsibility issues is a multi-level process:

IN EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION, for employees whose compensation policy promotes sound and prudent risk management with respect to sustainability risks, particularly for financial market operators and financial advisors in charge of investment advisory.

IN THE COLLECTIVE EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION OF SOCIETE GENERALE SA IN FRANCE in 2022 for 2021

(40,635 employees, i.e. 35% of the Group's employees). A **€10m** portion of the profitsharing package was contingent on achieving the corporate social responsibility (CSR) objective.

Since the agreements signed in 2014, Societe Generale SA has made part of its profitsharing calculation contingent on meeting its CSR objectives. Since 2021, the Group has had to place in the top quartile of the annual industry ranking of companies assessed by extra-financial ratings agency S&P Global CSA and/or Sustainalytics, while also obtaining at least a BBB rating from MSCI. The Group met these criteria for 2021 and €10m in CSR profitsharing was paid as a result.

IN THE COMPENSATION OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS (around 60 people, excluding Executive Officers). Since 2018, the Group's Management Committee has set collective targets including:

- **sustainable finance**, measured based on business volume;
- client satisfaction and experience based on the Net Promoter Score approach;
- employee commitment level, as measured by the Group's Employee Satisfaction Survey;
- diversity in the main managerial circles;
- digital transformation and financial performance.

Attainment of these targets determines part of their variable compensation.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION IN 2022

Compensation of the Chief Executive Officers incorporates CSR performance criteria in setting the amount of the annual variable compensation and for the vesting of the long-term incentive:

CSR CRITERIA IN THE ANNUAL VARIABLE COMPENSATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS:

40% of Chief Executive Officers' annual variable compensation was based on non-financial criteria.

For 2022, this 40% was divided equally between the CSR objectives applicable to all three Chief Executive Officers and the objectives specific to each officer's remit.

The CSR objectives were divided into four themes that all had quantifiable targets:

- Improving the customer experience: measured by the change in the NPS for the Group's main activities;
- Developing our priorities as a responsible employer: measured by the degree to which we respect our commitments to increase female representation in the executive bodies and the change in the employee engagement rate;
- Extra-financial ratings;
- Incorporating CSR topics into the strategy at all the Group's businesses and adhering to pathways that are in line with the commitments the Group has made to the energy and environmental transition.

In 2022, the objectives specific to the **Chief Executive Officer** were:

- Continuing to roll out strategic plans and improving market perception of the Group;
- Securing the execution of the Group's IT and digital transformation strategy;
- Overseeing how the Group's new governance system operates, and that the Group adheres to compliance standards and maintains appropriate relations with regulators.

The objectives of the **Deputy Chief Executive Officer in charge of ESG policies,** the **Group's financial services** and Insurance activities were in 2022:

- Securing the ALD/Leaseplan transaction and adhering to the roadmap;
- Incorporating CSR topics into all aspects of the Group's activities.

The objectives of the Deputy Chief Executive Officer in charge of the supervision of French and International retail banking activities were in 2022:

- Continuing to drive the growth and development of Boursorama and the international networks;
- Properly executing and adhering to the roadmap of the Vision 2025 project in the French networks, with a view to the merger that is expected to occur in 2023.

CSR CRITERIA IN CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS' LONG-TERM INCENTIVE AWARDS:

Twenty percent of the vesting of long-term incentive awards depends on satisfying CSR conditions, half of which is contingent on compliance with the Group's commitments in terms of energy transition financing and half on the Group's positioning in the main extrafinancial ratings.

Regarding the energy transition financing criterion related to financing the energy mix, the target retained for the 2022 plan will be linked to the Group's commitment to raise €300bn for the energy and environmental transition between 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2025, either in the form of:

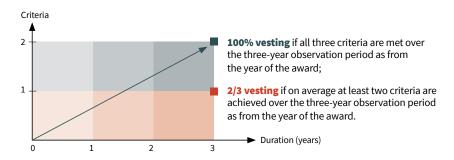
- sustainable bond issues;
- financing that includes SPIF (Sustainable and Positive Impact Finance) transactions, advisory services on SPIF mandates, sustainability-linked transactions and electric vehicle financing.

If the Group achieves its target, 100% of the award will vest. No award will vest if the Group fails to achieve its target.

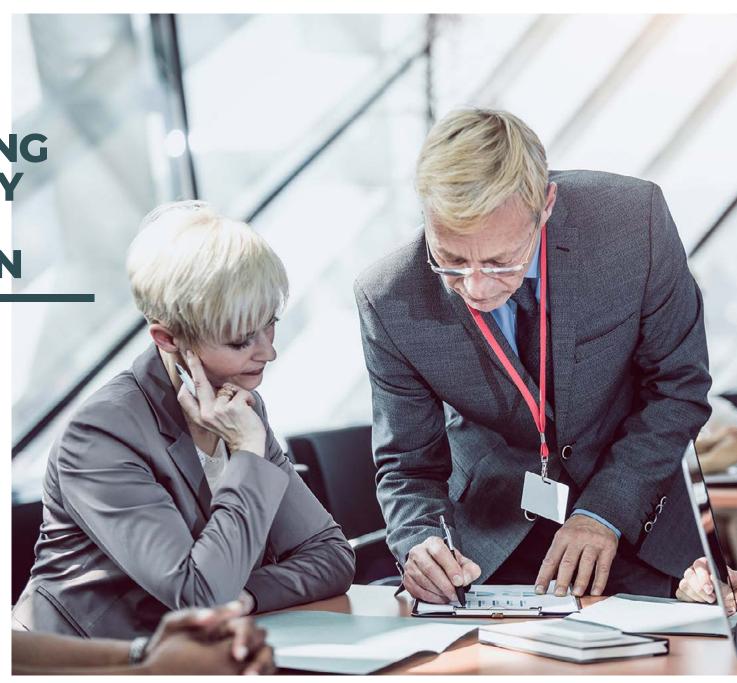
In terms of the **extra-financial ratings criterion** (being in the top quartile of the rankings by S&P Global CSA and Sustainalytics, and having a rating of BBB or better from MSCI), the vesting rate will be defined based on the graph below.

- 100% vesting if all three criteria are met over the three-year observation period as from the year of the award (i.e. the positions/ratings for 2024, 2025 and 2026);
- 2/3 vesting if on average at least two criteria are achieved over the three-year observation period as from the year of the award.

VESTING RATE







Pursuant to regulations in force, the Group itemises the compensation of Chief Executive Officers each year in the *Universal Registration Document*.



This document itemises the following components for Chief Executive Officers:

- the compensation policy applicable to Chief Executive Officers (specifically including the description of the overall structure and all of the compensation components, financial and non-financial performance criteria that govern annual variable compensation and procedures detailing how it is paid and vested, terms of award and vesting of long-term profit-sharing, benefits in kind and post-retirement benefits, etc.);
- the review of Chief Executive Officers' performance based on financial and non-financial criteria and details of the annual variable compensation awarded for the previous financial year in light of actual performance, as well as the payment/vesting procedures for this annual variable compensation;
- details of the long-term profit-sharing awarded for the previous financial year and the conditions for its vesting;
- detailed description of all compensation components and benefits awarded for the financial year;
- description of benefits and itemisation of all monies paid out during the financial year (fixed and variable components) and performance shares vested;
- information about Chief Executive
 Officer compensation compared to average compensation and the company's median salaries and to the Group's performance over five financial years;
- monitoring compliance with requirements on Chief Executive Officer share ownership.

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