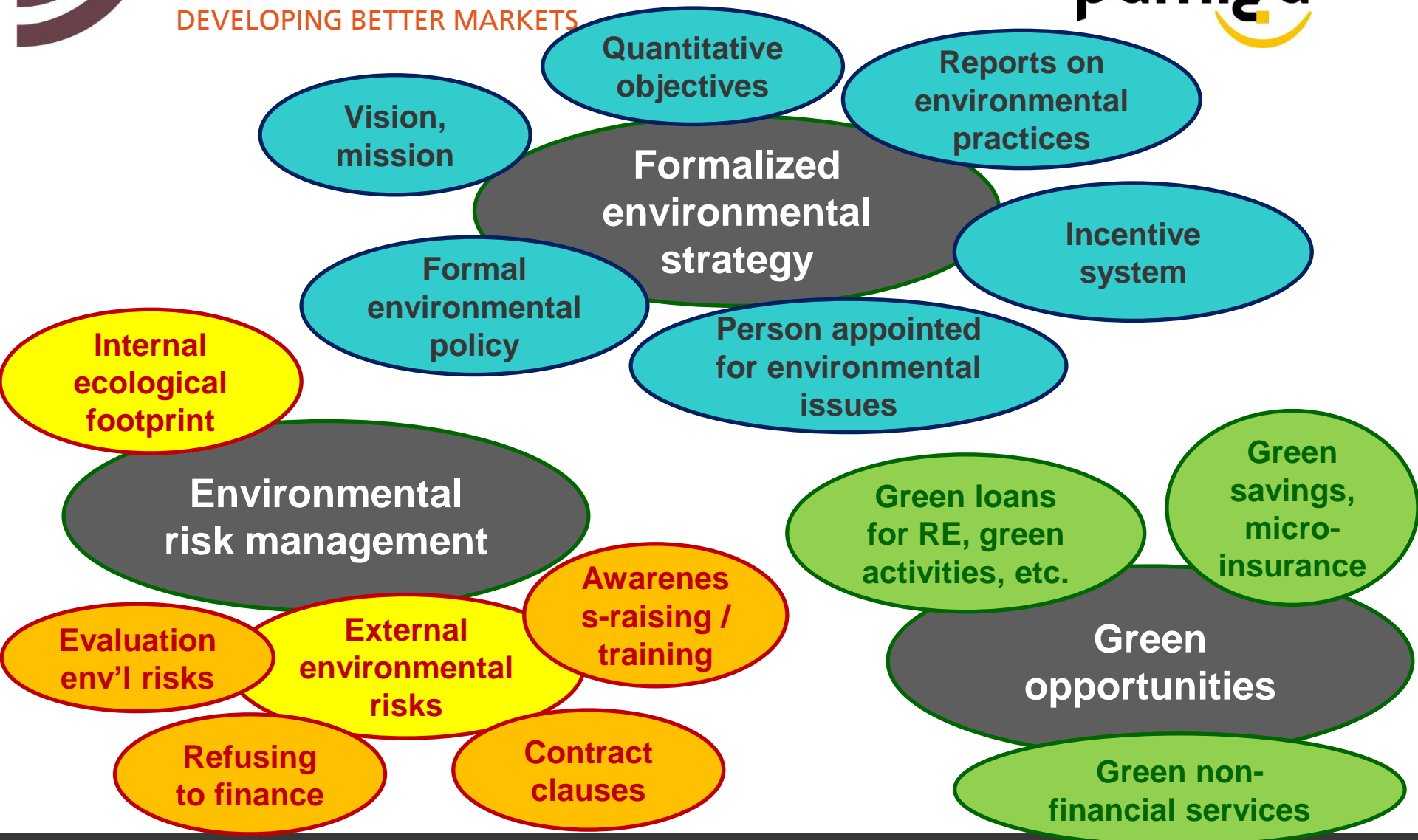


# The Green Index, an innovative tool to assess the environmental performance of MFIs

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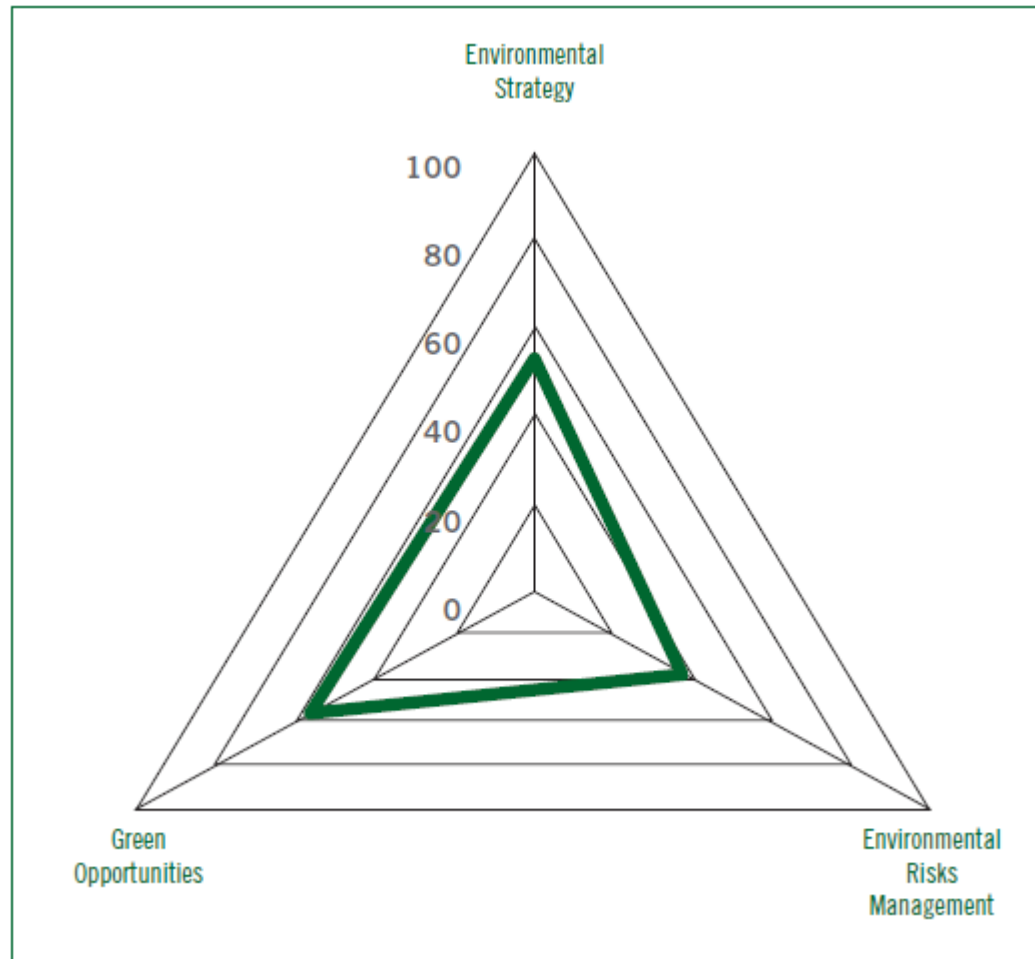
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Level	Num	Label	Answers
Standard	7a	The institution addresses environmental issues through a formalized strategy	
EP	7a1	The institution defines and implements its environmental strategy	
Indicator	7a11	The institution defines its environmental strategy	
Detail	7a111	Formalizes environmental protection in the official vision, mission or values	YES/NO
Detail	7a112	Has a formal environmental policy	YES/NO
Detail	7a113	Consults its stakeholders on environmental issues (clients, employees, investors, environmental organizations, etc.)	YES/NO
Indicator	7a12	The institution implements its environmental strategy	
Detail	7a121	Raises board members' awareness on environmental issues (regulation, risks and opportunities)	YES/NO
Detail	7a122	Has a person appointed to manage environmental issues	YES/NO
Detail	7a123	Sets quantitative objectives to manage environmental risks and/or foster green opportunities	YES/NO
Detail	7a124	Has an incentive system to encourage employees to take into account specific environmental objectives	YES/NO
Detail	7a125	Reports on the MFI's environmental practices (annual reports, reports to Board, investors, etc.)	YES/NO
Standard	7b	The institution manages its environmental risks	
EP	7b1	The institution manages its internal environmental risks	
Indicator	7b11	The institution implements actions to reduce its internal ecological footprint	
Detail	7b111	Conducts activities to raise employees' awareness of good practices in paper, water and energy consumption, waste management, etc.	YES/NO
Detail	7b112	Defines processes and/or implements mechanisms to reduce paper, water, and energy consumption, reduce/treat waste, and/or reduce carbon emissions	YES/NO

Indicator	7b12	The institution monitors its internal environmental risks	
Detail	7b121	Tracks the achievement of quantitative objectives set for paper, water, and energy consumption, waste management, and/or carbon emissions	YES/NO
EP	7b2	The institution manages its external environmental risks	
Indicator	7b21	The institution evaluates the level of environmental risk of its clients	
Detail	7b211	Trains loan officers on how to evaluate the environmental risks of their clients' activities	YES/NO
Detail	7b212	Uses specific tools to evaluate the environmental risks of clients' activities (categorizing clients per level of risk using sectorial factsheet, surveys, exclusion list, etc.)	YES/NO
Indicator	7b22	The institution includes the level of environmental risk as a factor in the loan approval process	
Detail	7b221	Refuses to finance environmentally-risky activities	YES/NO
Detail	7b222	Includes clauses in the contract requiring clients to improve environmental practices / mitigate environmental risks	YES/NO
Indicator	7b23	The institution monitors the external environmental risks	
Detail	7b231	Includes indicators into the MIS to track the environmental performance of clients	YES/NO
Detail	7b232	Limits the proportion of environmentally-risky activities in the global portfolio	YES/NO
Indicator	7b24	The institution raises clients' awareness on environmental risks	
Detail	7b241	Conducts activities such as training sessions and discussions / displays posters / distributes flyers on environmental impacts	YES/NO
Standard	7c	The institution fosters green opportunities	
EP	7c1	The institution provides green products and services to its clients	
Indicator	7c11	The institution provides specific green loan products:	
Detail	7c111	Specific loan products dedicated to renewable energy (e.g. solar panels, biogas digesters, etc.) and energy efficiency (e.g. insulations, improved cook stoves, etc.)	YES/NO
Detail	7c112	Specific loan products dedicated to promoting environmentally-friendly technologies and activities (e.g. organic farming, recycling, waste management, agroforestry or silvopasture, clean water, etc.)	YES/NO
Detail	7c113	Specific loan products dedicated to helping clients become more resilient to environmental shocks or climate change (e.g. loans for diversifications of productive activities, loans for adapted seeds, etc.)	YES/NO
Indicator	7c12	The institution provides other green financial products:	
Detail	7c121	Other financial products (e.g. savings, micro-insurance, etc.) dedicated to promoting environmentally-friendly technologies and activities (renewable energy, water and waste management, etc.) and/or helping clients become more resilient to environmental shocks or climate change	YES/NO
Indicator	7c13	The institution provides green non-financial services:	
Detail	7c131	Training on environmentally-friendly practices or businesses (can be done by the MFI itself or through partnering with environmental organizations)	YES/NO



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Thanks for your feedbacks!

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