**BANCO FINANTIA POSTS A €11.8M PROFIT IN 2021 FIRST HALF**

 **COMMON EQUITY TIER 1 RATIO (CET1) AT 27.1%**

Banco Finantia ([www.finantia.com](http://www.finantia.com)) posted a **Net profit** of €11.8 million in the first half of 2021, a 25% increase over the €9.4 million in the same period of the previous year.

**Financial strength**, as measured by the Common Equity Tier I Ratio (CET1), reached 27.1%, among the highest in the European Union.

**Net interest** **income**,net of hedging costs, reached €18.5 million a 20% increase compared with €15.4 million in the previous year first half, largely because of lower interest rate & FX hedging costs for the period.

**Financial transactions, commissions and other income** was €9.6 million, a slight increase vis a vis last year’s first half of €9.1 million.

**Operating income** increased to €28.1 million (€24.5 million in the first half of 2020).

**Operating expenses** stood at €11.6 million, while impairments and provisions decreased to €0.8 million from €4.7 million the year before.

**Consolidated assets** amounted to €2,055 million as of June 30 2021 and the **Shareholders’ equity** reached €490 million.

During 2021, Banco Finantia will continue to develop its key business activities - **Private Banking, Capital Markets and Corporate & Investment Banking.**

**Banco Finantia** is establishing a branch in Spain by incorporating its subsidiary Banco Finantia Spain through a merger. This merger will allow Group organizational and operational synergies contributing to enhanced customer service in both countries. This process is expected to be completed this year.

According to the Banker 2020 Rankings of the "Top 1000 World Banks", Banco Finantia is the bank with the highest “Financial Soundness” ratios and ROA among the largest 23 banks operating in the Iberian Peninsula included in the list.

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