

## **Bamboo Capital Partners' Impact Report 2019**

**Pioneering investor impacts an additional 32 million lives,  
rising to total of 184 million lives since 2007**

**27 April, Luxembourg** – Bamboo Capital Partners ('Bamboo'), the impact investing platform, today launches its Impact Report 2019. For the 12-month period, Bamboo is proud to announce that its investee companies have:

- Impacted an additional 32 million lives in developing markets
- Supported an additional 5,000 jobs, including 1,900 jobs for women
- Displaced an additional 680,000 metric tons of CO2 emissions

On a cumulative basis, Bamboo's investees have:

- Impacted 184 million lives
- Supported 45,000 jobs, including 15,900 jobs for women
- Displaced 9.68 million metric tons of CO2 emissions

Strategically, 2019 was a significant year for the firm. For instance, Bamboo partnered with the United Nations Capital Development Fund, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, the International Trade Center, Smart Africa, Stop TB Partnership and CARE Enterprises, amongst others, to launch a series of blended finance impact funds. The funds will target businesses in the agriculture, finance, energy, education and healthcare sectors across Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean and Pacific regions.

At the start of 2020, these funds came together within one coherent framework to form a unique impact investing proposition: *SDG500*. This \$500 million investment platform will use debt and equity to bridge the financing gap between seed and growth stage for hundreds of businesses in emerging and frontier markets, while contributing to most of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals.

In 2019, the firm also concluded the final investment of its second Financial Inclusion Fund and welcomed ElectrFI as an anchor investor in BEAM, its energy access fund. Bamboo also won two mandates from the World Bank Group to launch energy access initiatives in Haiti and Madagascar.

**Jean-Philippe de Schrevel, Founder and Managing Partner of Bamboo Capital Partners commented:**

"Last year, it felt like the pieces of a puzzle came together. A couple of years ago, we decided to reposition Bamboo as an impact investing platform open to partnerships. We wanted to combine our expertise with that of private and public organizations to rapidly scale positive impact for low- and middle-income populations in emerging and frontier markets.

"In 2019, we made significant progress and began to realize the fruits of our labour. We partnered with a wide range of institutions, including United Nations entities, supranational organizations and non-governmental organizations, to create a series of unique blended finance impact funds under one coherent framework – *SDG500*.

"At present, COVID-19 is hitting the world. This crisis will be terrible, especially for the poorest people and countries. It only reinforces our conviction that we urgently need to change our way of measuring value and success. Investing sustainably and responsibly will have to become the new norm going forward. As always, I wish to sincerely thank our staff, board members and investors who continue to support Bamboo."

**The 2019 Impact Report can be viewed here: [Bamboo Impact Report 2019](#)**



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### **About Bamboo Capital Partners**

Bamboo Capital Partners (“Bamboo”) is an impact investing which provides innovative financing solutions to catalyse lasting impact. Bamboo bridges the gap between seed and growth stage funding through a full suite of finance options – from debt to equity – which it activates unilaterally or through strategic partnerships. Founded in 2007 by Jean-Philippe de Schrevel, Bamboo aims to improve the lives of the world’s most marginalized communities while delivering strong financial returns. Since its inception, Bamboo has raised over \$400m and invested in over 30 developing countries. Its investees have positively impacted over 184 million lives and supported 45,000 jobs, including 15,900 jobs for women. The firm has a team of 30 professionals active across Europe, Latin America, Africa and Asia. For more information, please visit [www.bamboocp.com](http://www.bamboocp.com) or follow @bamboocp.