



WOMEN IN FINANCE

Preliminary results survey

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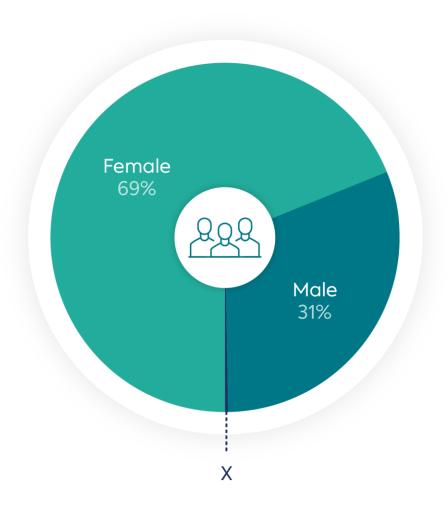


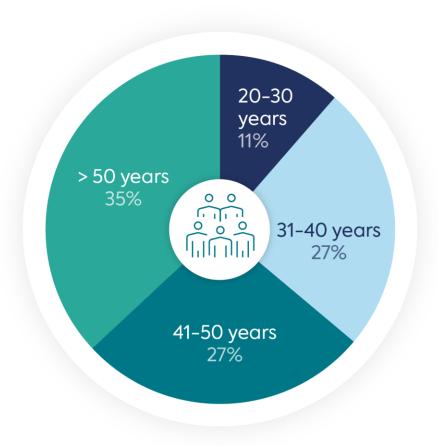
Who are the 1351 participants to the survey?





Gender

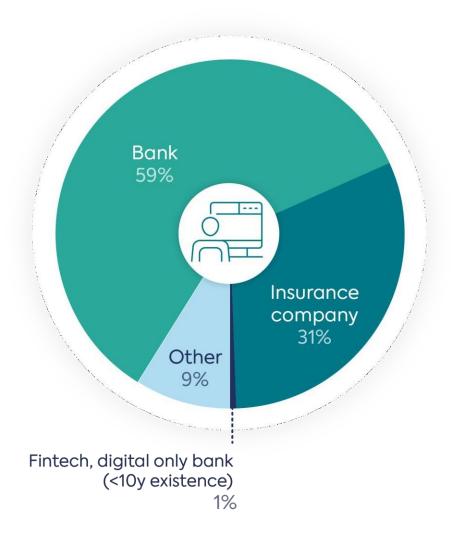




Demographics







Level in organisation



Characteristics associated with the sector



Characteristics associated with the sector:

Competition
Patience Teativity Inclusion
Result-driven
Collective
Authority Control
Respect Power Empathy
Vulnerability
Individualism

Human interconnectedness

Characteristics that should be developed more:

Nulnerability
Inclusion Intuition
Creativity
Empathy
Individualism
Control Result-driven
Competition Control Result-driven
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Patience Respect
Collective

About inclusion & psychological safety in the sector

Opportunity to learn



63%

of respondents believe that

mistakes are opportunities to learn

- → **57%** of **female** senior executives
- → **70%** of **male** senior executives



Respect





65% of respondents indicate that they often feel respected

♂ 69% **♀** 63%

Different opinion



60%

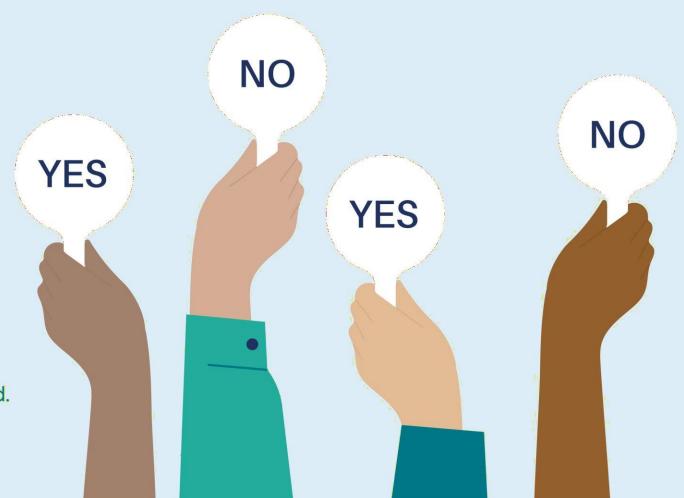
of participants believe that

expressing a different opinion is appreciated

→ 61% of female senior executives versus

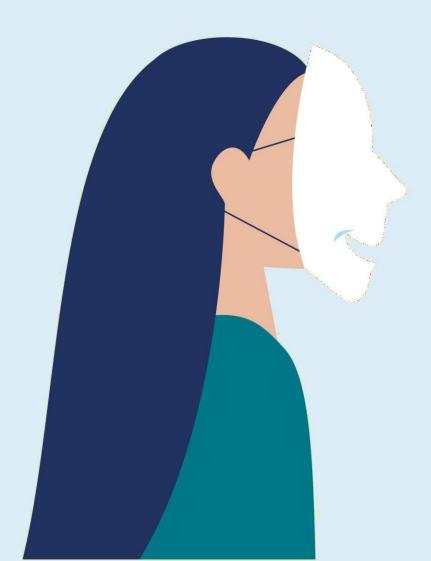
74%

of male senior executives believe that different opinions are valued.



Assimilation





35% of respondents

indicate that they never imitate behavior that does not come naturally to them

Women in senior positions (38%) do it nearly twice as much as senior males (19%)

Soft skills

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74%

of respondents believe that

soft skills

(such as listening, motivating, caring,...)

are appreciated



20%

of respondents believe that

soft skills are financially incentivised

Presence





71%
of respondents believe that
it is important to be
seen at the office

Sexism | Jokes | Bullying



26% of respondents have never heard sexist comments at work

♂ 34% ♀ 22%

64% of respondents have never been the target of bullying

♂ 75% ♀ 60%



56% of respondents respondents have never been the target of belittling comments or jokes at work

73% Q 48%



39% of respondents believe that such behavior decreased during covid,

55% believe that it stayed the same

65% says this impacts them (more women than men)



Personal ambition and self-identified obstacles

Career



Female and male respondents overall have the same understanding of career:

Working for a higher purpose

Maximising my contribution to the organization

To be able to use and develop all my talents

Climbing the corporate ladder as high as possible

Becoming better in my career field as an expert

Taking more responsibility

Earning as a high salary as possible

Blocking points



Top 3 career blockers for male and female respondents:



Office politics

40%

42%



Work-life balance

~~~~ 28%

40%



Experienced leadership style

28%

36%

Leaving the organization





28% of respondents consider leaving the organization because of specific blocking factors

TOP 3 BLOCKING FACTORS:

- 1. Leadership style
- 2. Office politics
- 3. Corporate culture

NOT Work-life balance

What next?





In-depth interviews with senior women (08-09)



Sharing detailed results with CEOs and HR Directors of the sector (Q4)



working together with WIF workstreams on possible solutions