BANCO COMERCIAL DE MACAU, S. A.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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BANCO COMERCIAL DE MACAU, S. A. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Board of Directors of Banco Comercial de Macau, S. A. (the "'Bank" or "BCM") submits its report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Principal activities

BCM is a limited liability company by shares incorporated and domiciled in the Macau Special Administrative Region ("MSAR" or "Macau"), where it is engaged in general banking business by providing retail, commercial banking, wealth management, bancassurance, and other related financial services to its customers.

Results and appropriations

The results of the Bank for the year ended 31 December 2023 are set out in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on page 8.

The Board of Directors does not recommend payment of any dividend for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: MOP18,000,000).

Shareholders' equity

Movements in shareholders' equity of the Bank during the year are set out in the Statement of Changes in Equity on page 12.

BANCO COMERCIAL DE MACAU, S. A. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023 (Continued)

Directors

The following persons were appointed as Directors at the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") held on 24 March 2022 for the triennium 2022-2025 and continue in office or as of the date of this report:

(Chairman)

David Shou-Yeh Wong

Hon-Hing Wong (Derek Wong)

Gary Pak-Ling Wang

Harold Tsu-Hing Wong

Pak-Hung Lau

Chit-Kwan Wong (Vincent Wong)

Directors' interests in contracts

None of the Directors had a beneficial interest in any contract of significance to the business of the Bank to which the Bank, any of its holding companies or fellow subsidiaries, was a party during the year.

Directors' interests in equities or debentures

At no time during the year was the Bank, any of its holding companies or fellow subsidiaries, a part of any arrangement to enable the Bank's Directors to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares or debentures of the Bank.

Events subsequent to balance sheet date

The Board of Directors is not aware of any event that has occurred since the end of the financial year that has significantly affected the Bank.

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Management contracts

The Bank enters into an agreement ("Computer and Administrative Services Agreement" or the "Agreement") with Dah Sing Bank, Limited ("DSB", the Bank's immediate holding company), pursuant to which DSB provides certain computer and administrative services to the Bank. The latest agreement

entered into is for a fixed term of 3 years commencing on 1 January 2023.

The Bank shall pay a fee to DSB, for services rendered to the Bank, per DSB's periodic billing. DSB and

the Bank shall review the amount of fees at the end of each year.

Under the terms of the agreement, either party can terminate it by giving notice in writing to the other party if the other party commits any material breach of any terms of the agreement and shall have

failed to remedy the breach within 30 days after the receipt of the request in writing.

In addition, the Bank enters into various outsourcing arrangements with unrelated parties in the areas of security, provision of electronic and brokerage services and others. The terms of these agreements

are set in accordance with the Guideline on Outsourcing issued by Autoridade Monetaria de Macau

("AMCM") under Circular Nº. 032/B/2009-DSB/AMCM.

These arrangements are entered into with the objectives to facilitate the operation of the Bank,

improve the quality and diversify the range of services provided to customers.

Auditors

The financial statements have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers who retire and, being eligible,

offer themselves for reappointment.

By and on behalf of the Board

(signed on the original)

Pak-Hung Lau

(Chief Executive Officer and Director)

(signed on the original)

Gary Pak-Ling Wang

(Director)

Macau, 5 March 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF BANCO COMERCIAL DE MACAU. S. A.

(Incorporated in Macau with limited liability by shares)

We have audited the financial statements of Banco Comercial de Macau, S. A. ("Bank" or "BCM") set out on pages 8 to 73, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, and the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Directors' responsibility for the financial statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Financial Reporting Standards issued by the Government of the Macao Special Administrative Region, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit and to report our opinion solely to you, as a body, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report. We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Professional Committee of Accountants of the Government of the Macao Special Administrative Region. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Audit opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of BCM as at 31 December 2023, and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Financial Reporting Standards issued by the Government of the Macao Special Administrative Region.

Li Ching Lap Bernard Certified Public Accountant PricewaterhouseCoopers

Macau, 5 March 2024

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Note	2023	2022
Interest income		876,608	515,611
Interest expense	_	(533,061)	(218,427)
Net interest income	5	343,547	297,184
Fee and commission income		41,724	48,356
Fee and commission expense	_	(18,862)	(16,616)
Net fee and commission income	6	22,862	31,740
Net trading income	7	9,386	7,462
Other operating income	8	22,282	8,826
Operating income	_	398,077	345,212
Operating expenses	9	(232,971)	(226,256)
Operating profit before bad debt provisions	_	165,106	118,956
Loss on disposal of premises and other fixed assets		(2)	(101)
Credit Impairment losses	10	(40,218)	(90,440)
Recoveries of loans and interest previously written off		1,692	1,163
Profit before income tax	_	126,578	29,578
Income tax expense	11	(12,106)	(5,674)
Profit for the year	<u> </u>	114,472	23,904

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (continued)

Profit for the year		114,472	23,904
Items that will not be reclassified to the income statement:			
Net change in the fair value of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income Deferred income tax related to the above	21	555,579 (66,670)	296,165 (35,540)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		488,909	260,625
Total comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		603,381	284,529
Dividends Proposed dividend	12	<u>-</u>	18,000

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Note	2023	2022
Assets			
Cash and balances with banks	13	825,324	1,041,608
Balance with AMCM	-	323,166	372,559
AMCM monetary bills maturing within 12 months		1,625,076	1,155,594
Placements with and loans and advances to banks maturing		, ,	, ,
within 12 months		3,089,340	3,136,113
Loans and advances to customers	14	14,800,804	14,061,088
Financial assets at amortized cost	16	3,875,002	2,284,108
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive			
income	17	889,835	334,256
Intangible assets	18	12,722	10,909
Premises and other fixed assets	19	173,370	183,547
Derivative financial instruments	15	770	-
Other assets	20	70,118	26,273
Total assets		25,685,527	22,606,055
Liabilities		06.700	40.455
Balances and deposits from banks maturing within 12 months	22	96,700	49,155
Deposits from customers	22	22,372,161	19,698,222
Certificate of deposit issued	23	740	312,746
Derivative financial instruments	15	740	396
Other liabilities	24	168,456	148,542
Current income tax liabilities		14,942	15,371
Deferred tax liabilities		100,557	33,887
Provisions		98	98
Total liabilities	_	22,753,654	20,258,417
Equity			
Share capital	27	225,000	225,000
Share premium		50,000	50,000
Legal reserve	28	225,000	225,000
General regulatory reserve	28	129,248	120,574
Specific regulatory reserve	28	57,527	42,929
Reserve for share-based compensation		-	1,146
Investment revaluation reserve		749,534	260,625
Retained earnings		1,495,564	1,422,364
Total equity	_	2,931,873	2,347,638
Total liabilities and aguitu	_	25 605 527	22 606 655
Total liabilities and equity	=	25,685,527	22,606,055

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Approved and authorized for issue by the Board of Directo	ors on 5 March 2024.
(signed on the original)	(signed on the original)
David Shou-Yeh Wong (Chairman) (signed on the original)	Hon-Hing Wong (Derek Wong) (signed on the original)
Gary Pak-Ling Wang	Harold Tsu-Hing Wong
(signed on the original) Pak-Hung Lau (Chief Executive Officer)	(signed on the original) Chit-Kwan Wong (Vincent Wong)

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Share Capital (Note 27)	Share Premium	Legal Reserve (Note 28)	Reserve for Share-based Compensation	Regulatory Reserve (Note 28)	Reserve for Investment Revaluation	Retained Earnings	Total Equity
Balance as at 1 January 2022	225,000	50,000	225,000	1,146	-	-	1,525,453	2,026,599
Change on adoption of New MFRS	-	-	-	-	-	-	86,510	86,510
Transfer to regulatory reserve	-	-	-	-	113,996	-	(113,996)	-
Restated balance at 1 January 2022	225,000	50,000	225,000	1,146	113,996	-	1,497,967	2,113,109
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2021 Dividend (Note 12)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(50,000)	(50,000)
Net profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	23,904	23,904
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	-	260,625	-	260,625
Transfer to regulatory reserve	-	-	-	-	49,507	-	(49,507)	-
Balance as at 31 December 2022 and 1 January 2023	225,000	50,000	225,000	1,146	163,503	260,625	1,422,364	2,347,638
2022 Dividend (Note 12)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(18,000)	(18,000)
Net profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	114,472	114,472
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	-	488,909	-	488,909
Settlement of share-based compensation	-	-	-	(1,146)	-	-	-	(1,146)
Transfer to regulatory reserve		-		-	23,272		(23,272)	
Balance as at 31 December 2023	225,000	50,000	225,000	-	186,775	749,534	1,495,564	2,931,873

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Note	2023	2022
Cash flows from operating activities			
Interest income received		799,160	377,303
Interest expense paid		(396,793)	(167,133)
Dividends received		14,285	36
Net fee and commission income received		22,148	31,919
Net trading income received		3,320	7,466
Recoveries of loans and interest previously written off		1,692	1,163
Other operating income received		7,993	8,785
Other operating expenses paid		(262,711)	(211,903)
Income tax paid		(12,535)	(13,631)
Net cash flows from operating activities before changes in			
operating assets and operating liabilities		176,559	34,005
Changes in operating assets and operating liabilities			
Net (increase)/decrease in AMCM monetary bills with original			
maturity of more than 3 months and balance with AMCM		(602,627)	741,712
Net increase in placements with and loans and advances to banks		(002)02.7	, , _,,
with original maturity of more than 3 months		(178,883)	(255,640)
Net (increase)/decrease in loans and advances to customers		(782,046)	417,294
Net increase in other operating assets		(740)	(216)
Net increase/(decrease) in balances and deposits from banks		47,492	(26,462)
Net increase in deposits from customers		2,224,978	931,805
Net increase/(decrease) in other operating liabilities		26,198	(21,267)
Net cash flows from operating assets and operating liabilities		734,372	1,787,226
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Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of intangible assets		(9,078)	(5,457)
Purchase of premises and other fixed assets		(1,870)	(103,656)
Proceeds from disposal of premises and other fixed assets		5	5
Purchase of amortized cost investments		(3,322,878)	(1,822,079)
Proceeds from redemption of amortized cost investments		1,767,882	763,639
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(1,565,939)	(1,167,548)
Net cash flows from financing activities			
Dividend paid		(18,000)	(50,000)
Net cash flows used in financing activities		(18,000)	(50,000)
The cash hous asea in manang activities		(20,000)	(50,000)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(673,008)	603,683
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		3,774,062	3,249,043
Exchange impact on cash and cash equivalents		3,308	(78,664)
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Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		3,104,362	3,774,062
Cash and cash equivalents comprise:			
Cash and balances with banks		739,506	1,024,033
AMCM monetary bills and placements with and loans and			
advances to banks with original maturity up to 3 months		2,364,856	2,750,029
Total cash and cash equivalents as at 31 December	29	3,104,362	3,774,062
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1 General information

Banco Comercial de Macau, S. A. (the "Bank" or "BCM") is incorporated and domiciled in Macau where it provides a wide range of financial services including retail, commercial and institutional banking businesses. The Bank is a limited liability company by shares. The address of its registered office is Avenida da Praia Grande N° 572, Macau.

In its retail banking activities, the Bank handles individual customers' deposits (current, savings and term deposit accounts) and provides consumer and housing loans, overdrafts, credit cards, bancassurance products, and other banking services such as remittances.

In its commercial business and institutional oriented activities, the Bank handles current and term deposit accounts as well as property, business, project and trade finance facilities, and bank guarantees for corporate, institutional and high net worth customers.

The Bank also provides wealth management products, bancassurance and stock trading services to various segments of its clientele.

BCM's immediate and ultimate holding companies are Dah Sing Bank, Limited ("DSB") and Dah Sing Financial Holdings Limited ("DSFH") respectively, both of which are incorporated and domiciled in Hong Kong. DSFH is listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The financial regulatory authority is the Autoridade Monetaria de Macau ("AMCM").

These financial statements are presented in thousands of Macau Patacas ("MOP"), unless otherwise stated.

These financial statements have been approved for issue by the Board of Directors on 5 March 2024.

2. Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented, unless otherwise stated.

2.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the Bank have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards issued by the Government of the Macau Special Administrative Region under Directive No.44/2020 of the secretary of Economy and Finance (the "MFRS").

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

2.1 Basis of preparation (continued)

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the New MFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Bank's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note 4.

2.2 Foreign currency translation

2.2.1 Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the "functional currency"). The financial statements are presented in Macau Patacas as the functional and presentation currency best reflecting the economic substance of the events relevant to the Bank.

2.2.2 Transactions and balances

Foreign transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognized in the income statement.

Changes in the fair value of monetary securities denominated in foreign currency classified as fair value at other comprehensive income are analyzed between translation differences resulting from changes in the amortized cost of the assets and other changes in the carrying amount of the assets. Translation differences related to changes in the amortized cost are recognized in the income statement, and those changes in the carrying amount, except for impairment, are recognized in equity.

Translation differences in the fair value of monetary items denominated in foreign currency carried at fair value through profit or loss are reported in the income statement as part of the fair value gain or loss.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

2.3 Interest income and expense

Interest income, the principal source of revenue of the Bank, and interest expense, the main financial cost incurred by the Bank, are recognized in the income statement for all instruments measured at amortized cost, fair value through other comprehensive income securities and certain financial assets/liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss using the effective interest method.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortized cost of a financial asset or a financial liability and of allocating the interest income and interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument or, when appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. When calculating the effective interest rate, the Bank estimates cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument (for example, prepayment options) but does not consider future credit losses. The calculation includes all fees and points paid or received between parties to the contract that are an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and all other premiums and discounts.

Interest income or expense arising from entering into interest rate swaps ("IRS"), recognized as off-balance sheet financial instruments, is also included in interest income or expense on a net basis.

Once a financial asset has been written down upon the recognition of a specific provision, interest is recognized on a cash basis in accordance with Notice N° 18/93 AMCM.

2.4 Fee and commission income and expense

Fees and commissions are generally recognized on an accrual basis when the service has been provided. Loan commitment fees for loans that are likely to be drawn down are deferred (together with related direct costs) and recognized as an adjustment to the effective interest rate on the loan. Loan syndication fees are recognized as revenue when the syndication has been completed and the Bank retained no part of the loan package for itself or retained a part at the same effective interest rate as the other participants. Commissions and fees arising from negotiating, or participating in the negotiation of, a transaction for a third party – such as the arrangement of the acquisition of shares or other securities or the purchase or sale of businesses – are recognized on completion of the underlying transaction. Portfolio and other management advisory and service fees are recognized based on the applicable service contracts, usually on a time-apportioned basis. Asset management fees related to investment funds are recognized ratably over the period the service is provided. The same principle is applied for wealth management, financial planning and custody services that are continuously provided over an extended period. Performance linked fees or fee components are recognized when the performance criteria are fulfilled.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

2.5 Dividend income

Dividends are recognized in the income statement when the Bank's right to receive payment has been established.

2.6 Financial assets and liabilities

The amortized cost is the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortization using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount and, for financial assets, adjusted for any loss allowance.

The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial asset or financial liability to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset (i.e. its amortized cost before any impairment allowance) or to the amortized cost of a financial liability. The calculation does not consider expected credit losses and includes transaction costs, premiums or discounts and fees and points paid or received that are integral to the effective interest rate, such as origination fees. For purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets (assets that are credit-impaired at initial recognition) the Bank calculates the credit-adjusted effective interest rate, which is calculated based on the amortized cost of the financial asset instead of its gross carrying amount and incorporates the impact of expected credit losses in estimated future cash flows.

When the Bank revises the estimates of future cash flows, the carrying amount of the respective financial assets or financial liability is adjusted to reflect the new estimate discounted using the original effective interest rate. Any changes are recognized in profit or loss.

2.6.1 Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Purchases and sales of financial assets transacted in a regular manner are recognized on trade-date, the date on which the Bank commits to purchase or sell the asset. At initial recognition, the Bank measures a financial asset or financial liability at its fair value plus or minus, in the case of a financial asset or financial liability not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are incremental and directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of the financial asset or financial liability, such as fees and commissions. Transaction costs of financial assets and financial liabilities carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in profit or loss. Immediately after initial recognition, an expected credit loss ("ECL") allowance is recognized for financial assets measured at amortized cost and investments in debt instruments measured at FVOCI which results in an accounting loss being recognized in profit or loss when an asset is newly originated.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

2.6 Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

2.6.2 Classification and subsequent measurement – financial assets

The Bank classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- Amortized cost;
- Fair value through other comprehensive income; or
- Fair value through profit or loss ("FVPL")

The classification requirements for debt and equity instruments are described below:

(i) Debt instruments

Debt instruments are those instruments that meet the definition of a financial liability from the issuer's perspective, such as loans, government and corporate bonds and trade receivables purchased from clients in factoring arrangements.

Classification and subsequent measurement of debt instruments depend on:

- the Bank's business model for managing the asset; and
- the cash flow characteristics of the asset.

Based on these factors, the Bank classifies its debt instruments into one of the following three measurement categories:

Amortized cost: Assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest ("SPPI"), and that are not designated at FVPL, are measured at amortized cost. The carrying amount of these assets is adjusted by any ECL allowance recognized and measured.

FVOCI: Financial assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows and for selling the assets, where the assets' cash flows represent SPPI, and that are not designated at FVPL, are measured at FVOCI. Movements in the carrying amount are taken through other comprehensive income ("OCI"), except for the recognition of impairment gains or losses, interest revenue and foreign exchange gains and losses on the instrument's amortized cost which are recognized in profit or loss. When the financial asset is derecognized, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognized in OCI is reclassified from equity to profit or loss.

FVPL: Assets that do not meet the criteria for amortized cost or FVOCI are measured at FVPL. A gain or loss on a debt investment that is subsequently measured at FVPL and is not part of a hedging relationship is recognized in profit or loss and presented in the income statement in the period in which it arises.

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- 2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)
- 2.6 Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

2.6.2 Classification and subsequent measurement – financial assets (continued)

Business model: the business model reflects how the Bank manages the assets in order to generate cash flows. That is, whether the Bank's objective is solely to collect the contractual cash flows from the assets or is to collect both the contractual cash flows and cash flows arising from the sale of assets. If neither of these is applicable (e.g. financial assets are held for trading purposes), then the financial assets are classified as part of "other" business model and measured at FVPL. Factors considered by the Bank in determining the business model for a group of assets include past experience on how the cash flows for these assets were collected, how the asset's performance is evaluated and reported to key management personnel, how risks are assessed and managed and how managers are compensated. Securities held for trading are held principally for the purpose of selling in the near term or are part of a portfolio of financial instruments that are managed together and for which there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking. These securities are classified in the "other" business model and measured at FVPL.

SPPI: Where the business model is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows or to collect contractual cash flows and sell, the Bank assesses whether the financial instruments' cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest (the "SPPI test"). In making this assessment, the Bank considers whether the contractual cash flows are consistent with a basic lending arrangement (i.e. interest includes only consideration for the time value of money, credit risk, other basic lending risks and a profit margin that is consistent with a basic lending arrangement). Where the contractual terms introduce exposure to risk or volatility that are inconsistent with a basic lending arrangement, the related financial asset is classified and measured at FVPL.

Financial assets with embedded derivatives are considered in their entirety when determining whether their cash flows are SPPI.

The Bank reclassifies debt investments when and only when its business model for managing those assets changes. The reclassification takes place from the start of the first reporting period following the change. Such changes are expected to be very infrequent and none occurred during the period.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

2.6 Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

2.6.2 Classification and subsequent measurement – financial assets (continued)

(ii) Equity instruments

Equity instruments are instruments that meet the definition of equity from the issuer's perspective; that is, instruments that do not contain a contractual obligation to pay and that evidence a residual interest in the issuer's net assets. Examples of equity instruments include basic ordinary shares.

The Bank subsequently measures all equity investments at fair value through profit or loss, except where the Bank's management has elected, at initial recognition, to irrevocably designate an equity investment at fair value through other comprehensive income. When this election is used, fair value gains and losses are recognized in OCI and are not subsequently reclassified to profit or loss, including on disposal. Dividends, when representing a return on such investments, continue to be recognized in profit or loss as other income when the Bank's right to receive payments is established.

2.6.3 Impairment – financial assets

The Bank assesses on a forward-looking basis the ECL associated with its debt instrument assets carried at amortized cost and FVOCI and with the exposures arising from loans to customers, loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts. The Bank recognizes a loss allowance for such losses at each reporting date. The measurement of ECL reflects:

- An unbiased and probability-weighted amount that is determined by evaluating a range of possible outcomes;
- The time value of money; and

Reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

Impairment allowance of financial assets measured at amortized cost is presented as a deduction from the gross carrying amount of the assets. Impairment allowance of loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts is recognized as a provision as part of "Other accounts and accruals". The carrying amount of debt instruments measured at FVOCI is their fair value. Their impairment allowance is recognized as part of "Investment revaluation reserve". Note 3.2.2 provides more detail of how the ECL allowance is measured.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

2.6 Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

2.6.4 Modification of loans – financial assets

The Bank sometimes renegotiates or otherwise modifies the contractual cash flows of loans to customers. When this happens, the Bank assesses whether or not the new terms are substantially different to the original terms. The Bank does this by considering, among others, the following factors:

- If the borrower is in financial difficulty, whether the modification merely reduces the contractual cash flows to amounts the borrower is expected to be able to pay.
- Whether any substantial new terms are introduced, such as a profit share/equity-based return that substantially affects the risk profile of the loan.
- Significant extension of the loan term when the borrower is not in financial difficulty.
- Significant change in the interest rate.
- Change in the currency the loan is denominated in.
- Insertion of collateral, other security or credit enhancements that significantly affect the credit risk associated with the loan.

If the terms are substantially different, the Bank derecognizes the original financial asset and recognizes a "new" asset at fair value and recalculates a new effective interest rate for the asset. The date of renegotiation is consequently considered to be the date of initial recognition for impairment calculation purposes, including for the purpose of determining whether a significant increase in credit risk has occurred. However, the Bank also assesses whether the new financial asset recognized is deemed to be credit-impaired at initial recognition, especially in circumstances where the renegotiation was driven by the debtor being unable to make the originally agreed payments. Differences in the carrying amount are also recognized in profit or loss as a gain or loss on derecognition.

If the terms are not substantially different, the renegotiation or modification does not result in derecognition, and the Bank recalculates the gross carrying amount based on the revised cash flows of the financial asset and recognizes a modification gain or loss in profit or loss. The new gross carrying amount is recalculated by discounting the modified cash flows at the original effective interest rate (or credit-adjusted effective interest rate for purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets).

2.6.5 Derecognition other than on a modification – financial assets

Financial assets, or a portion thereof, are derecognized when the contractual rights to receive the cash flows from the assets have expired, or when they have been transferred and either (i) the Bank transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership, or (ii) the Bank neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and the Bank has not retained control.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

2.6 Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

2.6.6 Classification and subsequent measurement – financial liabilities

In both the current and prior periods, financial liabilities are initially recognized at fair value net of transaction costs incurred and subsequently stated at amortized cost. Any difference between proceeds net of transaction costs and the redemption value is recognized in the income statement over the life of the financial liabilities using the effective interest method.

2.6.7 Derecognition – financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognized when they are extinguished (i.e. when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires).

2.7 Derivative financial instruments

The Bank enters into derivative transactions in the foreign exchange and interest rate markets, namely foreign exchange contracts and interest rate swaps ("IRS"), with the principal aim of hedging other transactions, either assets or liabilities. IRS are treated as off-balance sheet financial instruments, with interest income or expenses recorded in the income statement. The interest income and expenses on IRS are settled on a net basis.

Accordingly, interest income and expense on IRS are presented on a net basis in the income statement. Interest receivable and payable are also presented on a net basis in the balance sheet.

Unrealized gains or losses on forward foreign exchange contracts which are marked to market are recognized in the income statement and included, respectively, in other assets or other liabilities in the balance sheet.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

2.8 Repossessed assets

Repossessed collateral assets are accounted as "Assets held for sale" and reported in "Other assets" and the relevant loans are derecognized. The repossessed collateral assets are measured at lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell.

2.9 Intangible assets

Acquired computer software licenses are capitalized on the basis of the costs incurred to acquire and bring to use the specific software. These costs are amortized over their estimated useful life of three years.

Cost associated with maintaining computer software programs are recognized as an expense as incurred. Development costs that are directly attributable to the design and testing of identifiable and unique software products controlled by the Bank are recognized as intangible assets when the following criteria are met:

- it is technically feasible to complete the software products so that it will be available for use;
- management intends to complete the software products and use or sell it;
- there is an ability to use or sell the software product;
- it can be demonstrated how the software products will generate probable future economic benefits;
- adequate technical, financial and other resources to complete the development and to use or sell the software product are available; and
- the expenditure attributable to the software product during its development can be reliably measured.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

2.9 Intangible assets (continued)

Directly attributable costs that are capitalized as part of the software product include the software development employee costs and an appropriate portion of relevant overheads.

Other development expenditures that do not meet these criteria are recognized as an expense as incurred. Development costs previously recognized as an expense are not recognized as an asset in a subsequent period.

Computer software development costs recognized as assets are amortized over 3 years.

2.10 Premises and other fixed assets

Premises and other fixed assets are stated at historical cost less depreciation.

Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items of property and equipment. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or are recognized as a separate asset as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Bank and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. Repairs and maintenance are charged to the income statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation of premises and other tangible fixed assets is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate the cost over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

•	Buildings	2%	50 Years
•	Heavy repairs and improvements	33.3%	3 Years
•	Computer equipment (hardware)	25%	4 Years
•	Motor vehicles	20%	5 Years
•	Furniture, fittings and other equipment	10%-25%	4-10 Years

No depreciation is charged in respect of freehold land and items of property and equipment under development.

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date. Assets that are subject to amortization are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use.

Gains or losses on disposal are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount. These are recognized in the income statement as other operating expenses.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

2.11 Employee benefits

The Bank sponsors a defined contribution pension plan, which is funded by payments by the Bank and its employees to an insurance company, which administers the plan. The plan is registered under and supervised by AMCM. The plan was established and is governed in accordance with Macau Decree-Law 6/99/M of 8 February 1999. Contributions to the plan are recognized as employee benefit expense when they fall due. The Bank has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been made.

Upon an employee's resignation, the Bank's payments to the defined contribution pension plan may be forfeited by the employee depending on their length of service with the Bank. Any amounts forfeited by the employees are maintained in a residual account with the pension provider and are used to offset the Bank's future contributions.

The Bank also offers healthcare insurance-based benefits to its employees who are providing service to the Bank. Healthcare benefits are prepaid annually when renewing the insurance policy and charged over the next 12 months.

2.12 Provisions

Provisions are recognized when there is a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events; it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation; and the amount has been reliably estimated.

When there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. A provision is recognized even if the likelihood of an outflow with respect to any one item included in the same class of obligations may be small.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

2.13 Current and deferred income tax

The tax expense for the period comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognized in the income statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in equity. In this case, the tax is also recognized in equity.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of the tax laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date in the countries where the Bank operates and generates taxable income. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulation is subject to interpretation. It establishes provisions where appropriate on the basis of amounts expected to be paid to the Macau tax authority.

Deferred income tax is recognized using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements.

However, the deferred income tax is not accounted for if it arises from initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction other than a business combination that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss.

Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realized or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

Deferred income tax assets are recognized to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available, against which the temporary differences can be utilized.

The tax effects of income tax losses available for carry forward are recognized as an asset when it is probable that future taxable benefits will be available against which these losses can be utilized.

2.14 Operating Leases

Leases in which a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives from the lessor) including up-front payment made for leasehold land and land use rights, are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Where the Bank is a lessor under operating leases, assets leased out are included in premises and other fixed assets in the balance sheet. They are depreciated over their expected useful lives on a basis consistent with similar owned premises and other fixed assets. Rental income (net of any incentives given to lessees) is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

2.15 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash, balances with banks and AMCM, items in course of collection from other banks, AMCM monetary bills, and placements with and loans and advances to banks with original maturities of 3 months or less and are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.

2.16 Dividend

Dividend distribution to the Bank's shareholders is recognized as a liability in the Bank's financial statements in the period in which the dividends are approved by the Bank's shareholders.

2.17 Financial guarantee contracts and loan commitments

Financial guarantee contracts are contracts that require the issuer to make stipulated payments to reimburse the holder for an incurred loss because a third party failed to fulfill its obligations through either specified payments or the warrant of specific projects. Financial guarantees are carried off balance sheet.

Loan commitments provided by the Bank are measured as the amount of the loss allowance. The Bank has not provided any commitment to provide loans at a below-market interest rate, or that can be settled net in cash or by delivering or issuing another financial instrument.

For loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts, the loss allowance is recognized as a provision. However, for contracts that include both a loan and an undrawn commitment and the Bank cannot separately identify the expected credit losses on the undrawn commitment component from those on the loan component, the expected credit losses on the undrawn commitment are recognized together with the loss allowance for the loan. To the extent that the combined expected credit losses exceed the gross carrying amount of the loan, the expected credit losses are recognized as a provision.

2.18 Balance with AMCM

In accordance with AMCM Notice Nº 6/93, the Bank is required to maintain a minimum regulatory deposit balance with AMCM for liquidity purposes. The required weekly average of the MOP deposit account should not be less than 70% of the following:

- 3% on all liabilities repayable on demand;
- 2% on all liabilities repayable within 3 months (inclusive), except for those already counted above; and
- 1% on liabilities repayable beyond 3 months.

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3 Financial risk management

The Bank's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks and those activities involve the analysis, evaluation, acceptance and management of some degree of risk or combination of risks. Taking risk is core to the financial business, and operational risks are an inevitable consequence of being in business. The Bank's aim is therefore to achieve an appropriate balance between risk and return and minimize potential adverse effects on the financial performance.

3.1 Credit risk

The Bank's main credit risk is that borrowers or counterparties may default on their payment obligations due to the Bank. These obligations arise from the Bank's lending and investment activities and trading of financial instruments (including derivatives).

The Bank has a Credit Committee for approving major credit exposures, which if beyond the approval authority of the Bank's Credit Committee will be approved by the Group Credit Committee. Credit risk measurement, underwriting, approval and monitoring requirements are detailed in credit policies.

Credits are extended within the parameters set out in the credit policies and are approved by different levels of management based upon established guidelines and delegated authorities. Credit exposures, limits and asset quality are regularly monitored and controlled by the management, credit committees and Group Risk Division. The Bank's internal auditors also conduct regular reviews and audits to ensure compliance with credit policies and procedures and regulatory guidelines.

3.1.1 Expected credit loss measurement

IFRS 9 outlines a "three-stage" model for impairment based on changes in credit quality since initial recognition as summarized below:

- A financial instrument that is not credit-impaired on initial recognition is classified in "Stage 1" and has its credit risk continuously monitored by the Bank.
- If a significant increase in credit risk ("SICR") since initial recognition is identified, the financial instrument is moved to "Stage 2" but is not yet deemed to be credit-impaired.
- If the financial instrument is credit-impaired, the financial instrument is then moved to "Stage 3".
- Financial instruments in Stage 1 have their ECL measured at an amount equal to the
 portion of lifetime expected credit losses that result from default events possible within
 the next 12 months. Instruments in Stages 2 or 3 have their ECL measured based on
 expected credit losses on a lifetime basis.

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.1 Credit risk (continued)

3.1.1 Expected credit loss measurement (continued)

- A pervasive concept in measuring ECL in accordance with IFRS 9 is that it should consider forward-looking information.
- Purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets are those financial assets that are credit impaired on initial recognition. Their ECL is always measured on a lifetime basis (Stage 3).

Significant increase in credit risk

The Bank considers a financial instrument to have experienced a SICR when one or more of the following criteria have been met:

- when there is significant adverse external credit rating transition for the bond portfolio, migrating from investment grade to non-investment grade, or one notch downgrade for bond with original non-investment grade at purchase,
- when there is internal credit rating transition, ranging from one notch to five notches depending on its initial credit rating, for corporate portfolio,
- when the day past due ("DPD") exceeds 30 days,
- when the borrower is reported as "Early Warning" for corporate portfolio,
- when the borrower is reported as Special Mention according to the loan classification of the AMCM. The decision to classify the loans is based on the borrower's repayment ability and likelihood of individual counterparties defaulting.

The assessment of SICR is performed on a monthly basis at a portfolio level for all retail financial instruments held by the Bank. In relation to corporate financial instruments, where an Early Warning list is used to monitor credit risk, this assessment is performed at the counterparty level and on a monthly basis. The criteria used to identify SICR are revised as when appropriate by the respective credit departments of the portfolios.

The Bank has not used the low credit risk exemption for any financial instruments in the year ended 31 December 2023 and 2022.

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- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- **3.1 Credit risk** (continued)
- 3.1.1 Expected credit loss measurement (continued)

Definition of default and credit-impaired assets

The Bank defines a financial instrument as in default, which is aligned with the definition of credit impaired (referred to as "Stage 3 financial assets"), when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable data:

- significant financial difficulty of the borrower or issuer;
- Overdue instalments and/or monthly interest repayment under an exceeded limit overdraft account for more than 90 days;
- the restructuring of a loan or advance by the Bank on terms that the Bank would not consider otherwise;
- the borrower is bankrupt;
- it is reported as substandard, doubtful or loss according to the loan classification of the AMCM. The decision to classify the loans is based on the borrower's repayment ability and likelihood of individual counterparties defaulting; and
- the disappearance of an active market for a security because of financial difficulties.

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- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- **3.1 Credit risk** (continued)

3.1.1 Expected credit loss measurement (continued)

A loan that has been renegotiated due to deterioration in the borrower's condition is usually considered to be credit-impaired unless there is evidence that the risk of not receiving contractual cash flows has reduced significantly and there are no other indicators of impairment. In addition, a retail loan that is overdue for 90 days or more is considered credit-impaired.

Measuring ECL - Explanation of inputs, assumptions and estimation techniques

The ECL is measured on either a 12-month ("12M") or Lifetime basis depending on whether a SICR has occurred since initial recognition or whether an asset is considered to be creditimpaired. Expected credit losses are the discounted product of the probability of default ("PD"), exposures at default ("EAD"), and loss given default ("LGD"), defined as follows:

- The PD represents the likelihood of a borrower defaulting on its financial obligation (as per "Definition of default and credit impaired" above), either over the next 12 months ("12M PD"), or over the remaining lifetime ("Lifetime PD") of the obligation.
- EAD is based on the amounts the Bank expects to be owed at the time of default, over the
 next 12 months ("12M EAD") or over the remaining lifetime ("Lifetime EAD"). For
 example, for a revolving commitment, the Bank includes the current drawn balance plus
 any further amount that is expected to be drawn up to the current contractual limit by the
 time of default, should it occur.
- LGD represents the Bank's expectation of the extent of loss on a defaulted exposure. LGD varies by type of counterparty, type and seniority of claim and availability of collateral or other credit support. LGD is expressed as a percentage loss per unit of exposure at the time of default. LGD is calculated on a 12-month or lifetime basis, where 12-month LGD is the percentage of loss expected to be made if the default occurs in the next 12 months and Lifetime LGD is the percentage of loss expected to be made if the default occurs over the remaining expected lifetime of the loan.

The ECL is determined by projecting the PD, LGD and EAD for each future month and for each individual exposure. These three components are multiplied together and adjusted for the likelihood of survival (i.e. the exposure has not prepaid or defaulted in an earlier month). This effectively calculates an ECL for each future month, which is then discounted back to the reporting date and summed. The discount rate used in the ECL calculation is the original effective interest rate or an approximation thereof.

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.1 Credit risk (continued)

3.1.1 Expected credit loss measurement (continued)

The Lifetime PD is developed by applying a maturity profile to the current 12M PD. The maturity profile looks at how defaults develop on a portfolio from the point of initial recognition throughout the lifetime of the loans. The maturity profile is based on historical observed data and is assumed to be the same across all assets within a portfolio and credit grade band. This is supported by historical analysis.

The 12-month and lifetime EADs are determined based on the expected payment profile, which varies by product type.

- For amortizing products and bullet repayment loans, this is based on the contractual repayments owed by the borrower over a 12-month or lifetime basis. This will also be adjusted for any expected overpayments made by a borrower. Early repayment/refinance assumptions are also incorporated into the calculation.
- For non-revolving products, the exposure at default is predicted by taking current drawn balance and adding a "credit conversion factor" which allows for the expected drawdown of the remaining limit by the time of default.
- For revolving products, the EAD is estimated by taking the maximum between the onbalance sheet exposure and the estimated utilized amount at default based on utilization rate.

The 12-month and lifetime LGDs are determined based on the factors which impact the recoveries made post default. These include collateral type and projected collateral values, historical discounts to market/book values due to forced sales, time to repossession and recovery costs observed.

Forward-looking economic information is also included in determining the 12-month and lifetime PD, EAD and LGD.

The assumptions underlying the ECL calculation, such as how the maturity profile of the PDs and how collateral values change etc., are regularly monitored and reviewed.

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- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- **3.1 Credit risk** (continued)

3.1.1 Expected credit loss measurement (continued)

Forward-looking information incorporated in the ECL models

The assessment of SICR and the calculation of ECL both incorporate forward-looking information. The Bank has performed historical analysis and identified the key economic variables impacting credit risk and expected credit losses for each portfolio.

These economic variables and their associated impact on the PD, EAD and LGD vary by financial instrument. Expert judgement has also been applied in this process. Forecasts of these economic variables (the "base economic scenario") are provided by some economic research institutions and the in-house economic research team on a regular basis and provide the best estimate view of the economy over the next five years. For the economic variables out of the forecasting periods (i.e. after the next five years), the point-in-time default risk level at the last forecasting period is referenced to estimate the lifetime default risk level of each instrument. The impact of these economic variables on the PD, EAD and LGD has been determined by performing statistical regression analysis to understand the impact changes in these variables have had historically on default rates and loss rates.

The assessment of SICR is performed by considering either the change in credit quality, expert credit judgement and backstop indicator. This determines whether the whole financial instrument is in Stage 1, Stage 2, or Stage 3 and hence whether 12-month or lifetime ECL should be recorded. Following this assessment, the Bank measures ECL as either a probability weighted 12-month ECL (Stage 1), or a probability weighted lifetime ECL (Stages 2 and 3). These probability-weighted ECLs are determined by running each scenario through the relevant ECL model and multiplying it by the appropriate scenario weighting.

Management judgements and overlay or underlay

Notwithstanding the enhancements in ECL quantification models, the Bank closely monitored market developments to assess adequacy of provision against ECL model outputs in a forward-looking manner.

From credit perspective, the Bank had been closely monitoring its Retail Unsecured and Credit Card portfolio and observed mild increasing trend on delinquency, though the actual default rate was still managed at a low range. The PD estimate, a result of using the MEF input based on IMF's significant downward adjustment of its forecast of Macau's economic growth, was considered excessive. Starting from 2022, making reference to commonly accepted market practice, the input MEF was limited to a reasonable range by setting cap and floor using standard deviation ("SD") that translates into a 1-in-10 years severity event.

The exercise of management judgement and the application of underlay on top of model outputs had been reviewed and approved by the BCM Credit Committee and reviewed by the Group's Credit Management Committee ("CMC") and shall be reviewed from time to time.

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.1 Credit risk (continued)

3.1.1 Expected credit loss measurement (continued)

Economic variable assumptions

The Bank relies on a broad range of forward-looking economic indicators as model inputs, mainly the forecasts of macroeconomic factors ("MEFs") such as property price indices, GDP growth rates, unemployment rates, and interest rates. The selection of MEFs had gone through stringent statistical data tests commonly adopted by the industry as well as expert judgements to ensure that MEFs used in the ECL models are relevant to and reflective of the risk profile of the Bank's credit portfolios while satisfying required quantitative standards.

The scenarios "base", "good" and "bad" were determined based on the underlying assumptions described in the below table. In particular, the "base" scenario makes reference to a set of macroeconomic forecasts obtained from different economic research institutions and the Group's economist. "Good" and "bad" scenarios were developed by referencing the MEFs in the "base" scenario, with appropriate adjustment to the upside and the downside potential variations taking into account the uncertainties in the forward-looking economic environments. The magnitude of adjustment was quantified based on historical movements of the MEFs observed through a long span of observed data covering peaks and troughs of past economic cycles.

Scenario Underlying assumptions of the scenario

Base Forward-looking macroeconomic factors are a key component of the macroeconomic outlook. The base scenario is based on a set of macroeconomic forecasts which formulate a "base case" view of the most probable future direction of relevant economic variables.

Good This scenario is determined by making reference to the "base" scenario and reflects positive uncertainties by incorporating upside variations to the "base" scenario macroeconomic forecasts.

Bad This scenario is determined by making reference to the "base" scenario and reflects negative uncertainties by incorporating downside variations to the "base" scenario macroeconomic forecasts.

Members of the Group's CMC as well as department heads of risk units, including the Bank's Chief Executive and Chief Risk and AML Officer, put forth their most holistic view on the likelihood of occurrence, enabling the Bank to generate forecasts of economic factors and the forward-looking PD and LGD. To have further professional review and reasonableness checking, the Group's economist provided his overall view on whether the collective forecasted outcome is generally in line with his expectation. As a stringent measure, the summarized outcomes will be submitted to the CMC for final approval. These forward-looking PD and LGD are then used as input parameters in the expected credit loss model.

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.1 Credit risk (continued)

3.1.1 Expected credit loss measurement (continued)

Significant period-end assumptions used for the ECL estimate are set out as below.

		Average of 5-Year	One-Year Forward
As at 31 December 2023		Forward Looking	Looking
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Macau Real GDP Growth Rate (%)	Base	4.50%	4.80%
	Good	7.42%	7.72%
	Bad	1.58%	1.88%
Macau General Government Revenue Growth			
Rate (%)	Base	34.21%	33.64%
	Good	41.92%	41.35%
	Bad	26.50%	25.93%
		Average of 5-Year	One-Year Forward
As at 31 December 2022		Forward Looking	Looking
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Macau Real GDP Growth Rate (%)	Base	4.50%	4.30%
	Good	8.01%	7.81%
	Bad	0.99%	0.79%
Manage Canada Canada Barana Canada			
Macau General Government Revenue Growth	D	22.56%	22.400/
Rate (%)	Base	32.56%	33.18%
	Good	41.81%	42.44%
	Bad	23.30%	23.93%

^{*} These one-year forward-looking rates represent forecast average rates for one year.

The average weightings assigned to each economic scenario of "base", "good" and "bad" as at 31 December 2023, were 70.21%, 10.79% and 19.00% respectively, as compared to 71.21%, 13.50% and 15.29% respectively as at 31 December 2022.

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.1 Credit risk (continued)

3.1.1 Expected credit loss measurement (continued)

Other forward-looking considerations not otherwise incorporated within the above scenarios, such as the impact of any regulatory, legislative or political changes, have also been considered, but are not deemed to have a material impact and therefore no adjustment has been made to the ECL for such factors. This is reviewed and monitored for appropriateness on a quarterly basis.

Sensitivity analysis

The most significant assumptions affecting the ECL allowance are as follows:

- GDP growth rates, given the significant impact on companies' performance and collateral valuations; and
- Macau General Government Revenue (% of GDP), given the impacts on companies' performance and mortgage lending portfolio for individuals.

Retail		ECL Impact			
		2023	2022		
Macau real GDP growth rate	+0.5%	-6	-145		
	-0.5%	6	145		
Macau General Government Revenue growth rate	+2.0%	-11	-13		
	-2.0%	11	13		
Corporate		ECL Impact			
Macau real GDP growth rate	+0.5%	-164	-197		
	-0.5%	181	219		

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- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.1 Credit risk (continued)

3.1.2 Write-off policy

The Bank writes off financial assets, in whole or in part, when it has concluded there is no reasonable expectation of recovery even after taking necessarily all practical recovery efforts. Indicators that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery include (i) ceasing enforcement activity, (ii) where the Bank's recovery method is foreclosing on collateral and the value of the collateral is such that there is no reasonable expectation of recovering in full, and (iii) entering into, or a very high likelihood of entering into, a debt restructuring agreement with a loss in principal amount. The Bank may write off financial assets that are still subject to enforcement activity. During the year ended 31 December 2023, there was MOP207 million outstanding contractual amounts of such assets written off.

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.1 Credit risk (continued)

3.1.3 Credit risk exposures

The following table illustrates the credit risk exposures of financial instruments of the Bank in accordance with the asset classification required by Notice No. 012/2021-AMCM. Financial asset not subject to impairment mainly comprised of derivative financial assets. As of 31 December 2023, the outstanding amount of derivative financial assets was MOP770,000 (2022: Nil).

As at 31 December 2023	23 Gross amount						_	
		Special	Sub-				ECL	
	Pass	mention	standard	Doubtful	Loss	Total	allowance	Net amount
Cash and advances to banks								
- Stage 1	1,148,498	-	-	-	-	1,148,498	(8)	1,148,490
- Stage 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
AMCM monetary bills								
- Stage 1	1,625,114	-	-	-	-	1,625,114	(38)	1,625,076
- Stage 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Placements with and loans								
and advances to banks								
- Stage 1	3,092,804	-	-	-	-	3,092,804	(3,464)	3,089,340
- Stage 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-
- Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-
Advances to customers								
- Stage 1	13,731,379	-	-	-	-	13,731,379	(7,953)	13,723,426
- Stage 2	471,837	387,966	-	-	-	859,803	(11,389)	848,414
- Stage 3	-	-	2,458	8,734	272,883	284,075	(55,111)	228,964
Financial assets at								
amortized cost								
- Stage 1	3,880,950	-	-	-	-	3,880,950	(5,948)	3,875,002
- Stage 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-
Other assets								
- Stage 1	70,256	-	-	-	-	70,256	(138)	70,118
- Stage 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	_
Loan commitments and								
financial guarantees								
- Stage 1	1,002,618	-	-	-	-	1,002,618	(1,083)	1,001,535
- Stage 2	23,676	1,488	-	-	-	25,164	(119)	25,045
- Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	25,047,132	389,454	2,458	8,734	272,883	25,720,661	(85,251)	25,635,410

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.1 Credit risk (continued)

3.1.3 Credit risk exposures

As at 31 December 2022	s at 31 December 2022 Gross amount							
		Special	Sub-				ECL	
	Pass	mention	standard	Doubtful	Loss	Total	allowance	Net amount
Cash and advances to banks								
- Stage 1	1,414,184	-	-	-	-	1,414,184	(17)	1,414,167
- Stage 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
AMCM monetary bills								
- Stage 1	1,155,609	-	-	-	-	1,155,609	(15)	1,155,594
- Stage 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Placements with and loans								
and advances to banks								
- Stage 1	3,141,673	-	-	-	-	3,141,673	(5,560)	3,136,113
- Stage 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Advances to customers								
- Stage 1	13,108,088	-	-	-	-	13,108,088	(10,230)	13,097,858
- Stage 2	329,636	375,836	-	-	-	705,472	(10,373)	695,099
- Stage 3	-	-	6,161	263,263	216,899	486,323	(218,192)	268,131
Financial assets at								
amortized cost								
- Stage 1	2,289,552	-	-	-	-	2,289,552	(5,444)	2,284,108
- Stage 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other assets								
- Stage 1	26,641	-	-	-	-	26,641	(368)	26,273
- Stage 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loan commitments and								
financial guarantees								
- Stage 1	1,251,247	-	-	-	-	1,251,247	(2,127)	1,249,120
- Stage 2	12,170	1,467	-	-	-	13,637	(184)	13,453
- Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	22,728,800	377,303	6,161	263,263	216,899	23,592,426	(252,510)	23,339,916

The results of credit performance of the Bank can be further assessed with reference to the followings:

- Mortgage loans, which represent the biggest group in the portfolio, are backed by collateral;
- Loans and advances to customers that are credit impaired constituted 1.9% (2022: 3.4%) of the total loans and advances to customers; and
- 11.0% (2022: 4.7%) of the investments in debt securities and other bills have at least an Acredit rating.

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- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.1 Credit risk (continued)

3.1.3 Credit risk exposures (continued)

The following table provides an analysis of the impaired loans and advances to customers.

		% of gross loans and advances to customers
As at 31 December 2023		
Gross impaired loans and advances to customers	284,075	1.9%
ECL allowances	(55,111)	
	228,964	
Impaired loans and advances to customers covered by collateral	170,630	
As at 31 December 2022		
Gross impaired loans and advances to customers	486,323	3.4%
ECL allowances	(218,192)	
	268,131	
Impaired loans and advances to customers covered by collateral	179,586	

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.1 Credit risk (continued)

3.1.4 Loss allowance

The tables below provide a reconciliation of the Bank's ECL allowances and gross exposures for loans and advances to customers, loan commitments and financial guarantees by stage under IFRS 9.

	Stage 1 ECL allowance	Stage 2 ECL allowance	Stage 3 ECL allowance	Total ECL allowance
At 1 January 2023	12,357	10,557	218,192	241,106
Transfer:				
Transfer to Stage 1	1,480	(1,480)	-	-
Transfer to Stage 2	(842)	842	-	-
Transfer to Stage 3	(38)	(479)	517	-
Effect on stage transfers and changes in allowance ⁽¹⁾	(4,995)	4,448	44,711	44,164
New financial assets originated, purchased or derecognized during the period	1,074	(2,381)	(832)	(2,139)
Write-offs			(207,477)	(207,477)
As at 31 December 2023	9,036	11,507	55,111	75,654

	Stage 1 ECL allowance	Stage 2 ECL allowance	Stage 3 ECL allowance	Total ECL allowance
At 1 January 2022	21,261	62,153	78,194	161,608
Transfer:				
Transfer to Stage 1	1,409	(1,409)	-	-
Transfer to Stage 2	(2563)	2563	-	-
Transfer to Stage 3	(159)	(53,608)	53,767	-
Effect on stage transfers and changes in				
allowance ⁽¹⁾	(7,372)	1,943	74,406	68,977
New financial assets originated, purchased or derecognized during				
the period	(219)	(1,085)	16,481	15,177
Write-offs			(4,656)	(4,656)
As at 31 December 2022	12,357	10,557	218,192	241,106

Note (1): Effect on stage transfers and changes in allowance comprises loss allowances attributable to stage transfers and changes to risk parameters.

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.1 Credit risk (continued)

3.1.4 Loss allowance (continued)

	Stage 1 Gross exposures	Stage 2Gross exposures	Stage 3 Gross exposures	Total Gross exposures
At 1 January 2023	14,359,333	719,110	486,324	15,564,767
Transfer:				
Transfer to Stage 1	33,748	(33,748)	-	-
Transfer to Stage 2	(450,281)	450,281	-	-
Transfer to Stage 3	(7,187)	(4,862)	12,049	-
Changes in gross exposures other than				
modifications	798,381	(245,811)	(6,821)	545,749
Write-offs			(207,477)	(207,477)
As at 31 December 2023	14,733,994	884,970	284,075	15,903,039
	Stage 1 Gross exposures	Stage 2 Gross exposures	Stage 3 Gross exposures	Total Gross exposures
At 1 January 2022	15,471,714	478,843	220,965	16,171,522
At 1 January 2022 Transfer:	15,471,714	478,843	220,965	16,171,522
·	15,471,714 14,834	478,843 (14,834)	220,965	16,171,522
Transfer:		ŕ	220,965 - -	16,171,522 - -
Transfer: Transfer to Stage 1	14,834	(14,834)	220,965 277,991	16,171,522 - - -
Transfer: Transfer to Stage 1 Transfer to Stage 2 Transfer to Stage 3 Changes in gross exposures other than	14,834 (565,859) (23,520)	(14,834) 565,859 (254,471)	- - 277,991	- - -
Transfer: Transfer to Stage 1 Transfer to Stage 2 Transfer to Stage 3 Changes in gross exposures other than modifications	14,834 (565,859)	(14,834) 565,859	- 277,991 (7,976)	- - - (602,086)
Transfer: Transfer to Stage 1 Transfer to Stage 2 Transfer to Stage 3 Changes in gross exposures other than	14,834 (565,859) (23,520)	(14,834) 565,859 (254,471)	- - 277,991	- - -

Treasury portfolio, which consists of cash and balances with banks, debt instruments and other assets at amortized cost are classified in Stage 1 with no stage transition during both years.

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.1 Credit risk (continued)

3.1.5 Debt securities

The table below presents an analysis of debt securities by rating agency designation at 31 December 2023 and 2022.

As at 31 December 2023	Financial assets at amortized cost
A- to A+	428,568
Rated but lower than A-	87,271
Unrated	3,365,111
Total	3.880.950

As at 31 December 2022	Financial assets at amortized cost
A- to A+	107,880
Rated but lower than A-	88,226
Unrated	2,093,446
Total	2,289,552

3.1.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure

Geographical sectors

Advances to customers by geographical area are classified according to the location of the borrowers after taking into account the transfer of risk. In general, risk transfer applies when an advance is guaranteed by a party located in an area which is different from that of the borrower.

The following table analyses gross advances to customers by geographical area.

Gross advances to customers	As at 31 December	As at 31	
	2023	December 2022	
- Macau	14,306,954	13,831,253	
- Hong Kong	344,059	361,027	
- Mainland China	210,102	98,440	
- Others	14,142	9,163	
Total	14.875.257	14.299.883	

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.1 Credit risk (continued)

3.1.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure (continued)

Industry sectors

Gross advances to customers by industry sector classified according to the usage of loans.

Gross advances to customers	As at 31 December	As at 31 December 2022
	2023	
Industrial, commercial and financial		
 Property development 	375,662	490,075
 Property investment 	1,592,919	775,662
 Financial concerns 	313,480	5,124
 Wholesale and retail trade 	429,531	239,481
 Manufacturing 	1,091,901	1,179,690
 Transport and transport equipment 	15,441	27,646
• Others	1,258,480	1,333,122
Individuals		
 Loans for the purchase of 		
residential properties	6,307,668	6,509,903
 Credit card advances 	211,316	181,645
• Others	3,161,013	3,450,453
Trade finance	117,846	107,082
Total	14,875,257	14,299,883

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Market risk

Market risk is the risk of losses in assets, liabilities and off-balance sheet positions arising from adverse movements in market rates and prices.

3.2.1 Currency risk

The Bank has limited net foreign exchange exposure (except for Hong Kong dollar which is in a linked exchange rate relationship with Macau Patacas under the currency board system, and for United States dollar which is pegged to Hong Kong dollar under the linked exchange rate system in Hong Kong and is therefore indirectly pegged to Macau Patacas) as foreign exchange positions and foreign currency balances arising from customer transactions are normally matched against other customer transactions or transactions with the market. All foreign exchange exposures are managed within limits approved by the Board.

The table below summarizes the Bank's financial assets and liabilities as well as off-balance sheet net notional positions and credit commitments translated into equivalent MOP amounts, categorized by currency.

As of 31 December 2023	MOP	HKD	USD	RMB	Others	Total
Assets						
Cash and advances with						
banks	503,530	214,031	20,709	290,108	120,112	1,148,490
AMCM monetary bills	1,625,076	-	· -	-	· -	1,625,076
Placements with and						
loans and advances to						
banks	-	1,391,304	922,470	360,434	415,132	3,089,340
Advances to customers	7,922,343	6,714,663	111,141	3,220	49,437	14,800,804
Financial assets at				•	•	
amortized cost	-	2,932,254	942,748	-	-	3,875,002
Derivative financial						
instruments	-	-	_	-	770	770
Other assets	70,118	-	-	-	-	70,118
Liabilities						
Deposits from banks	-	-	-	-	96,700	96,700
Deposits from customers	9,155,849	10,145,290	1,929,699	653,085	488,238	22,372,161
Derivative financial						
instruments	-	731	-	3	6	740
Other liabilities	168,456	-	_	-	-	168,456

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.1 Currency risk (continued)

МОР	HKD	USD	RMB	Others	Total
536 926	250 817	/1 5/13	221 217	344 564	1,414,167
	233,017	41,545	231,317	344,304	1,155,594
1,133,334	_	-	-		1,133,334
	2 272 600	111 122	F00 F04	142.470	2 426 442
		•	· ·	•	3,136,113
7,945,886	5,956,822	119,655	1,820	36,905	14,061,088
19,983	1,809,245	454,880	-	-	2,284,108
26,273	-	-	-	-	26,273
-	-	44,191	-	4,964	49,155
9,572,131	8,197,778	676,311	742,245	509,757	19,698,222
_	312,746	_	-	-	
	•				312,746
					- ,
_	395	1	_	-	396
148 542	-	-	_	_	148,542
	536,926 1,155,594 - 7,945,886 19,983 26,273	536,926 259,817 1,155,594 2,372,699 7,945,886 5,956,822 19,983 1,809,245 26,273	536,926 259,817 41,543 1,155,594	536,926 259,817 41,543 231,317 1,155,594	536,926 259,817 41,543 231,317 344,564 1,155,594 - - - - - 2,372,699 111,432 509,504 142,478 7,945,886 5,956,822 119,655 1,820 36,905 19,983 1,809,245 454,880 - - - 26,273 - - - - - - - 44,191 - 4,964 9,572,131 8,197,778 676,311 742,245 509,757 - 312,746 - - - - 395 1 - -

Sensitivity analysis

The Bank has limited net foreign exchange exposure (except for HKD, USD, and Renminbi ("RMB")) as foreign exchange positions and foreign currency balances arising from customer transactions are normally matched against other customer transactions or transactions with the market. As at 31 December 2023, if MOP had weakened by 100 basis points against RMB with all other variables held constant, the impact on profit after tax for the year and equity would be insignificant (same in 2022).

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.2 Interest rate risk

From an earning perspective, interest rate risk is the risk that the net income arising from future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rate. From an economic value perspective, interest rate risk is the risk that the economic value of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Bank takes on interest rate risk from both perspectives in the banking book. As such, the interest margins or net interest income and the economic value of the capital may increase or decrease as a result of such changes or in the event that unexpected movements arise. The Board and the Asset and Liability Management Committee ("ALCO") sets limits on the level of mismatch of interest rate re-pricing that may be undertaken and monitor the interest rate impacts through scenario analysis and stress testing regularly.

The table below summarizes the Bank's exposure to interest rate risks. Included in the table are the Bank's financial assets and liabilities at carrying amounts, categorized by the earlier of contractual repricing or maturity dates.

	3 months or	Over 3 months	Over 1 year to		Non-interest	
As of 31 December 2023	less	to 1 year	5 years	Over 5 years	bearing	Total
Assets						
Cash and advances						
with Banks	598,290	-	-	-	550,200	1,148,490
AMCM monetary bills	1,134,000	491,076	-	-	-	1,625,076
Placements with and Loans and advances						
to banks	2,490,795	555,127	-	-	43,418	3,089,340
Advances to customers	11,704,749	225,684	2,434,036	104,920	331,415	14,800,804
Financial assets at						
amortized cost	280,320	3,171,401	373,147	-	50,134	3,875,002
Derivative financial						
instruments	-	-	-	-	770	770
Other assets	-	-	-	-	70,118	70,118
Liabilities						
Deposits from banks	96,623	-	-	-	77	96,700
Deposits from customers	10,624,201	9,172,787	207,160	-	2,368,012	22,372,160
Derivative financial						
Instruments	-	-	-	-	740	740
Other liabilities	_	-	_	_	168.456	168.456

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.2 Interest rate risk (continued)

	3 months or	Over 3 months	Over 1 year to		Non-interest	
As of 31 December 2022	less	to 1 year	5 years	Over 5 years	bearing	Total
Assets						
Cash and advances with						
banks	405,459	-	-	-	1,008,708	1,414,167
AMCM monetary bills	992,090	163,504	-	-	-	1,155,594
Placements with and						
loans and advances to						
banks	2,467,466	655,346	-	-	13,301	3,136,113
Advances to customers	11,478,531	168,684	863,398	1,063,928	486,547	14,061,088
Financial assets at						
amortized cost	166,166	1,610,508	419,417	88,017	-	2,284,108
Other assets	-	-	-	-	26,273	26,273
Liabilities						
Deposits from banks	49,132	-	-	_	23	49,155
Deposits from customers	10,478,943	6,221,083	621,165	_	2,377,031	19,698,222
Certificate of deposit	312,746	-	-	_	-	
issued	•					312,746
Derivative financial						•
Instruments	-	-	-	-	396	396
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	148,542	148,542

Sensitivity analysis

As at 31 December 2023, if market interest rates had experienced a 200 basis points parallel up shock, with other variables held constant, the impact on earnings over the next 12 months and the impact on economic value of equity would have been MOP84 million higher and MOP26 million lower respectively. (2022: MOP66 million higher and MOP9 million lower respectively).

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.3 Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Bank is unable to meet its payment obligations associated with its financial liabilities when they fall due and to replace funds when they are withdrawn. The consequence may be the failure to meet obligations to repay depositors and fulfill commitments to lend. The Bank manages its liquidity on a prudent basis to ensure that a sufficiently high liquidity ratio relative to the statutory minimum is maintained throughout the year. ALCO regularly reviews the Bank's current loan and deposit mix and changes, funding requirements and projections, and monitors the liquidity ratio and maturity mismatch on an ongoing basis. Appropriate limits on liquidity ratio and maturity mismatch are set and sufficient liquid assets are held to ensure that the Bank can meet all short-term funding requirements.

The table below analyzes the Bank's assets and liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the end of the reporting period to the contractual maturity date or, where applicable, the earliest callable date.

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.3 Liquidity risk (continued)

	Donovoblo		3 months	Over 3				
	Repayable	Un to 1	or less but over 1	Over 3 months	Over 1	Over 5		
As at 31 December 2023	on demand	Up to 1 month	month	to 1 year	Over 1 year to 5 years	years	Indefinite	Total
Assets								
Cash and balances with								
Banks	1,148,490	-	_	_	_	_	-	1,148,490
AMCM monetary bills	-	828,198	305,802	491,076	_	_	-	1,625,076
Placements with and			•	•				
loans and advances to								
banks	_	1,812,355	716,617	560,368	_	-	-	3,089,340
Advances to customers	1,298,305	226,248	350,385	1,396,563	5,479,920	5,796,620	279,763	14,827,804
Financial assets at	,,	-, -	,	,,-	-, -,-	-,,-	-,	,- ,
amortized cost	_	83,778	216,051	3,202,027	373,146	_	_	3,875,002
Derivative financial				-,,	0.0,2.0			-,,
Instruments	_	467	303	_	_	_	_	770
Other assets	_	-	-	70,118	_	_	_	70,118
other assets				,0,110				70,110
Liabilities								
Deposits from banks	_	96,700	_	_	_	_	_	96,700
Deposits from customers	5,903,532	3,054,522	3,935,201	9,270,347	208,558	_		22,372,160
Derivative financial	3,303,332	3,034,322	3,333,201	3,270,347	200,558	_	_	22,372,100
Instruments		450	290					740
Other liabilities	-	450	290	168,456	-	-	-	168,456
Other habilities	-	-	-	108,450	-	-	-	108,450
			3 months					
	Repayable		or less but	Over 3				
	on	Up to 1	over 1	months	Over 1 year	Over 5		
As at 31 December 2022	demand	month	month	to 1 year	to 5 years	years	Indefinite	Total
					,	,		
Assets								
Cash and balances with								
banks	1,414,167	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,414,167
AMCM monetary bills	-,,	754,077	238,013	163,504	_	_	_	1,155,594
Placements with and		751,077	250,015	103,301				1,155,554
loans and advances to								
banks	_	1,115,005	1,361,788	659,320	_	_	_	3,136,113
Advances to customers	1,285,093	492,212	320,806	1,287,355	3,502,787	6,684,284	488,551	14,061,088
Financial assets at	1,203,033	432,212	320,800	1,207,333	3,302,767	0,004,204	400,551	14,001,000
amortized cost		106,844	64,139	1,611,058	415,342	86,725		2,284,108
Other assets	-	100,644	04,139	26,273	415,542	80,723	-	26,273
Other assets	-	-	-	20,273	-	-	-	20,273
Liabilities								
Deposits from banks		49,155						49,155
Territoria de la companya del companya de la companya del companya de la companya	6,798,217	•	2 666 905	6 221 002	621.165	-	-	•
Deposits from customers	0,798,217	2,390,952	3,666,805	6,221,083	621,165	-	-	19,698,222
Certificate of deposit				242 746				242 746
issued	-	-	-	312,746	-	-	-	312,746
Derivative financial		2.42	450					
instruments	-	243	153	-	-	-	-	396
Other liabilities	-	-	-	148,542	-	_	-	148,542
				1.0,0.2				140,542

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.3 Liquidity risk (continued)

The table below presents the cash flows payable by the Bank under non-derivative financial liabilities, derivative financial liabilities that will be settled on a net basis and derivative financial instruments that will be settled on gross basis by remaining contractual maturities at the end of the reporting period. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows, whereas the Bank manages the inherent liquidity risk based on expected undiscounted cash inflows.

			3 months or	Over 3			
	Repayable	Up to 1	less but over	months to 1	Over 1 year		
As at 31 December 2023	on demand	month	1 month	year	to 5 years	Over 5 years	Total
No. of Carlos and Ma							
Non-derivative cash flow		05.500					00.000
Deposits from banks	-	96,623	-	-	-	-	96,623
Deposits from customers	5,898,750	3,059,372	3,958,457	9,492,839	217,387	-	22,626,805
Other liabilities		25	1,526	21,506		-	23,057
Total liabilities	5,898,750	3,156,020	3,959,983	9,514,345	217,387	-	22,746,485
Derivative cash flow							
Total outflow	-	59,559	11,440	-	-	-	70,999
Total inflow	-	(59,574)	(11,446)	-	-	-	(71,020)
Total	-	(15)	(6)	-	-	-	(21)
			3 months or	Over 3			
	Repayable	Up to 1	3 months or less but over	Over 3 months to 1	Over 1 year		
As at 31 December 2022	Repayable on demand	Up to 1 month			Over 1 year to 5 years	Over 5 years	Total
		•	less but over	months to 1		Over 5 years	Total
Non-derivative cash flow		month	less but over	months to 1		Over 5 years	
Non-derivative cash flow Deposits from banks	on demand	49,155	less but over 1 month	months to 1 year	to 5 years	Over 5 years	49,155
Non-derivative cash flow Deposits from banks Deposits from customers		month	less but over	months to 1		Over 5 years	
Non-derivative cash flow Deposits from banks Deposits from customers Certificate of deposits	on demand	49,155	less but over 1 month	months to 1 year 6,323,159	to 5 years	-	49,155 19,838,986
Non-derivative cash flow Deposits from banks Deposits from customers Certificate of deposits issued	on demand	49,155 2,393,203	less but over 1 month - 3,681,015	months to 1 year 6,323,159 313,706	to 5 years	Over 5 years	49,155 19,838,986 313,706
Non-derivative cash flow Deposits from banks Deposits from customers Certificate of deposits issued Other liabilities	on demand 6,798,217	49,155 2,393,203 - 3	less but over 1 month - 3,681,015	months to 1 year 6,323,159 313,706 17,575	to 5 years - 643,392	-	49,155 19,838,986 313,706 19,091
Non-derivative cash flow Deposits from banks Deposits from customers Certificate of deposits issued	on demand	49,155 2,393,203	less but over 1 month - 3,681,015	months to 1 year 6,323,159 313,706	to 5 years	-	49,155 19,838,986 313,706
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Non-derivative cash flow Deposits from banks Deposits from customers Certificate of deposits issued Other liabilities Total liabilities Derivative cash flow	on demand 6,798,217	49,155 2,393,203 - 3 2,442,361	1 month 3,681,015 1,513 3,682,528	months to 1 year 6,323,159 313,706 17,575	to 5 years - 643,392	-	49,155 19,838,986 313,706 19,091 20,220,938

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.4 Fair values of financial assets and liabilities

3.4.1 Financial instruments measured at fair value

The Bank measures fair values using the following hierarchy that reflects the significance of the observable and unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. This level includes equity securities and derivatives that are listed on exchanges.
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices). This level includes the majority of the OTC derivative contracts.
- Level 3: Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs). This level includes equity and debt securities with significant unobservable components.

(1) Fair value hierarchy

As of 31 December 2023	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets at FVOCI				
Equity securities	-	-	889,835	889,835
Derivative financial instruments				
Held for hedging	-	770	-	770
Total assets measured at fair value	-	770	889,835	890,605
Derivative financial instruments				
Held for hedging	-	740	-	740
Total liabilities measured at fair value	-	740	<u> </u>	740
As of 31 December 2022	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets at FVOCI				
Equity securities	-	-	334,256	334,256
Total assets measured at fair value	-	-	334,256	334,256
Derivative financial instruments				
Held for hedging	-	396	-	396
Total liabilities measured at fair value	-	396	-	396

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.4 Fair values of financial assets and liabilities (continued)

3.4.1 Financial instruments measured at fair value (continued)

For unlisted equity (private equity) held for strategic purposes, management uses valuation techniques to determine the fair value, including the discounted cash flow analysis, net asset value and market comparison approach, etc. The fair value of these financial instruments may be based on unobservable inputs which may have a significant impact on the valuation of these financial instruments, and therefore, these assets and liabilities have been classified by the Bank as Level 3.

The Bank mainly applies indicative price from market information and the dividend yield model to estimate the fair value of unlisted equity measured at FVOCI. For dividend yield model, significant unobservable inputs include dividend yield ratio and net income growth. At 31 December 2023, it is estimated that with all other variables held constant, a decrease/increase in dividend yield ratio by 5% would have increased/decreased the Bank's reserve for investment revaluation by no more than 4% relative to the reserve balance reported as at 31 December 2023; an increase/decrease in net income growth by 5% would have increased/decreased the Bank's reserve for investment revaluation by no more than 4% relative to the reserve balance reported as at 31 December 2023.

(2) Reconciliation of Level 3 items

(2) Reconciliation of Level 3 Rems	Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income Equity instruments
As at 1 January 2023	334,256
Changes in fair value recognized in the other comprehensive income	555,579
As at 31 December 2023	889,835
Total gain for the year included in reserve for investment revaluation of the other comprehensive income for assets held at the end of the reporting period	555,579
	Financial assets at fair value
	through other comprehensive income Equity instruments
At 1 January 2022, after adoption of IFRS 9	through other comprehensive income
At 1 January 2022, after adoption of IFRS 9 Changes in fair value recognized in the other comprehensive income	through other comprehensive income Equity instruments
Changes in fair value recognized in the other comprehensive	through other comprehensive income Equity instruments 38,091

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.4 Fair values of financial assets and liabilities (continued)

3.4.2 Financial instruments not measured at fair value

The following methods and significant assumptions have been applied in determining the fair values of financial instruments presented below:

Placements with banks – The fair value of floating rate placements and overnight deposits is their carrying amount. The estimated fair value of fixed interest bearing deposits is based on discounted cash flows using prevailing money-market interest rates for debts with similar credit risk and remaining maturity.

Loans and advances to customers, and trade bills – The estimated fair value of loans and advances and trade bills represents the discounted amount of estimated future cash flows expected to be received. Expected cash flows are discounted at current market rates to determine fair value.

Investment securities – Investment securities include interest-bearing assets included in the amortized cost category. Fair value of amortized cost assets is based on market prices or broker/dealer price quotations. Where this information is not available, fair value is estimated using quoted market prices for securities with similar credit, maturity and yield characteristics.

Deposits and balances from banks, deposits from customers, certificates of deposit issued and other borrowed funds – The estimated fair value of deposits with no stated maturity, which includes non-interest bearing deposits, is the amount repayable on demand. The estimated fair value of fixed interest-bearing deposits and other borrowings not quoted in an active market is based on discounted cash flows using interest rates for new debts with similar remaining maturity.

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.4 Fair values of financial assets and liabilities (continued)

3.4.2 Financial instruments not measured at fair value (continued)

The carrying amounts of the Bank's financial instruments carried at cost or amortized cost are not materially different from their fair values as at 31 December 2023 except as follows:

As of 31 December 2023	Carrying value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Figure in Laureta					
Financial assets					
Financial assets at amortized cost	3,875,002	-	3,795,207	-	3,795,207
As of 31 December 2022	Carrying value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets					
Financial assets at amortized cost	2,284,108	-	2,225,266	-	2,225,266
Financial liabilities					
Certificate of deposits issued	312,746	-	312,746	-	312,746

3.5 Capital management

The Bank's objectives when managing capital are:

- To comply with the capital requirements set by the banking regulators in the markets where the entities within the Bank operate;
- To safeguard the Bank's ability to continue its business as a going concern;
- To maximize returns to shareholders and optimize the benefits to other stakeholders; and
- To maintain a strong capital base to support the development of its business

The capital adequacy of and the use of regulatory capital by the Bank is monitored regularly by the management, employing techniques based on the guidelines provided by AMCM. The Bank's regulatory capital is divided into two tiers in accordance with the requirements of AMCM:

- Core capital: share capital, retained earnings, and legal and other reserves created by appropriation of retained earnings; and
- Supplementary capital: fair value gains arising on revaluation of fair value through other comprehensive income equities and debt securities, and general provisions.

4 Critical accounting estimates and judgments

The Bank makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

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4 Critical accounting estimates and judgments (continued)

4.1 Measurement of the ECL allowances

The measurement of the ECL allowances for financial assets measured at amortized cost and FVOCI is an area that requires the use of complex models and significant assumptions about future economic conditions and credit behaviour (e.g. the likelihood of customers defaulting and the resulting losses). Explanation of the inputs, assumptions and estimation techniques used in measuring ECL is further detailed in Note 3.1.1, which also sets out key sensitivities of the ECL to changes in these elements. A number of significant judgements are also required in applying the accounting requirements for measuring ECL, such as:

- Determining criteria for significant increase in credit risk;
- Choosing appropriate models and assumptions for the measurement of ECL;
- Establishing the number and relative weightings of forward-looking scenarios for each type of product/market and the associated ECL; and
- Establishing groups of similar financial assets for the purposes of measuring ECL.

4.2 Fair value of financial instruments

A financial instrument is regarded as quoted in an active market if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service or regulatory agency. A quoted price in an active market provides the most reliable evidence of fair value and shall be used whenever available. If a financial asset or a financial liability has a bid price and an ask price, the price within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of fair value in the circumstances is used by the Bank.

Where observable market quotation of financial instruments is not directly available, the Bank estimates the fair value of such financial instruments by using appropriate valuation techniques that are widely recognized including present value techniques and standard option pricing models. In applying valuation techniques for these financial instruments, the Bank maximizes the use of relevant observable inputs (for examples, interest rates, foreign exchange rates, volatilities, credit spreads) and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs.

4.3 Assessment of claims and contingencies

Judgement is needed to determine if provision for compensation by the Company needs to be recorded in accordance with the requirements of IAS 37 "Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets". In making this judgement, the Bank evaluates the information relating to each or similar cases, and the likelihood and estimated amount of outflow of resources which may be incurred to settle the obligation after considering factors such as recent settlement experiences and advice from legal counsel.

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Total fee and commission income

5 Net interest income

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Interest income		
interest income	2023	2022
Interest received and receivable on:	2023	2022
Current account with AMCM	7,210	1,293
AMCM monetary bills	47,836	11,150
Placements with and loans and advances to banks	147,489	48,132
Investment securities	128,836	29,739
Loans and advances to customers	544,256	424,275
Other interest income	981	1,022
Total interest income	876,608	515,611
Interest expense		
Interest paid and payable on:		
Balances and deposits from banks	1,188	7,597
Deposits from customers	529,708	208,719
Other interest expense	2,165	2,111
Total interest expense	533,061	218,427
		207.104
Net interest income	343,547	297,184
Net fee and commission income		
Fee and commission income		
	2023	2022
Fee and commission income from:		
Bank guarantees granted	1,878	2,442
Trade finance	725	690
Securities trading and custodian services	6,644	8,544
Commitment fees	384	364
Credit card operations	16,517	15,134
Cheques and payment orders issued	1,162	982
Insurance sales	6,426	13,234
Other fee and commission income	7,988	6,966

48,356

41,724

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6 Net fee and commission income (continued)

For and commission armones		
Fee and commission expense	2023	2022
Fee and commission expense on:	2023	2022
Custodian services	156	151
Auto finance	743	1,091
Correspondent banks	1,094	904
Securities trading	2,973	3,404
Credit card operations	13,896	11,066
Total fee and commission expense	18,862	16,616
Net fee and commission income	22,862	31,740
7 Net trading income		
, meet distance in the meeting in th	2023	2022
Not trading in some		
Net trading income - Foreign exchange	8,941	7 960
Net gain on financial instruments at fair value through	0,941	7,869
profit or loss	445	(407)
Net trading income	9,386	7,462
Net trading income	9,380	7,402
8 Other operating income		
	2023	2022
Services rendered to third parties	1,072	1,040
Property rental	2,559	3,152
Dividend income from equity investments measured		
at FVOCI	14,285	36
Other operating income	4,366	4,598
Total other operating income	22,282	8,826

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9 Operating expenses

		2023	2022
	Staff costs:		
	Key management compensation		
	- Directors' remuneration	7,141	7,792
	- Pension costs	375	373
	Wages, salaries and bonus	128,038	122,627
	Pension costs	6,471	8,031
	Others	11,480	10,319
	Property costs:		
	Rental of premises	6,780	6,196
	Other property costs	1,420	1,405
	Amortization and depreciation:		
	Amortization of intangible assets	7,266	6,587
	Depreciation for premises and other fixed assets	13,975	14,262
	Other operating expenses:		
	Advertising and promotion expenses	5,535	4,850
	Computer expenses	19,499	19,469
	Other operating expenses	24,991	24,345
	Total operating expenses	232,971	226,256
10	Credit impairment losses		
		2023	2022
	New charge to income statement	40,218	90,440
		40,218	90,440
	Attributable to:		
	- Advances to customers	43,134	85,034
	- Other financial assets	(1,807)	6,286
	- Loan commitments and financial guarantees	(1,109)	(880)
		40,218	90,440

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11 Income tax expense

Current tax comprises of Macao complementary tax. According to Macao complementary tax law, Macao complementary tax is levied at progressive rates ranging from 3% to 9% on the taxable income above MOP32,000 but below MOP300,000, and thereafter at a fixed rate at 12%. For 2022 and 2023, a special tax incentive is provided to the effect that tax free income threshold is increased from MOP32,000 to MOP600,000 and the profit thereafter is to be axed at a fixed rate of 12%. The tax on the Bank's profit before tax differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the Macao complementary tax rate applicable to the profits of the Bank, which is set out below:

	2023	2022
Current income tax expense	12,106	3,212
Deferred income tax (Note 21)	-	2,462
Total tax expense	12,106	5,674
	2023	2022
Profit before tax	126,578	29,578
Tax calculated at 12% (2022: 12%)	15,189	3,549
Over provision in previous years	(2,836)	-
Effect of the progressive tax rate below 12%	(17)	(17)
Special complementary tax incentive	(55)	(55)
Income not subject to tax	(244)	(339)
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	69	74
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	<u> </u>	2,462
Total tax expense	12,106	5,674

12 Dividend

On 24 March 2023, the shareholders approved an appropriation of dividend of MOP18,000,000 for the year ended 31 December 2022. The dividend was paid during 2023 as an appropriation of retained earnings for the year ended 31 December 2023.

At the meeting of the Board of directors of the Bank held on 5 March 2024, the directors approved no appropriation of dividend for the year ended 31 December 2023.

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13 Cash and balances with banks

As at 31 December	2023	2022
Cash	308,181	317,210
Balances with banks	517,151	724,415
	825,332	1,041,625
Less: impairment allowance stage 1	(8)	(17)
	825,324	1,041,608
14 Loans and advances to customers		
As at 31 December	2023	2022
Gross loans and advances to customers	14,875,257	14,299,883
Less: impairment allowances		
- Stage 1	(7,953)	(10,230)
- Stage 2	(11,389)	(10,373)
- Stage 3	(55,111)	(218,192)
Net loans and advances to customers	14,800,804	14,061,088
As at 31 December	2023	2022
Maturing within 12 months	2,647,764	2,863,915
Maturity beyond 12 months	12,153,040	11,197,173
Net loans and advances to customers	14,800,804	14,061,088

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15 Derivative financial instruments

	As at 31 December 2023		Fair va	alues
		Notional amount	Assets	Liabilities
	Foreign exchange derivatives			
	Currency forwards	70,564	770	740
	As at 31 December 2022		Fair va	alues
		Notional amount	Assets	Liabilities
	Foreign exchange derivatives			
	Currency forwards	34,116	-	396
16	Financial assets at amortized cost			
	As at 31 December		2023	2022
	Debt securities (listed)		325,723	409,926
	Debt securities (unlisted)		3,555,227	1,879,626
			3,880,950	2,289,552
	Less: impairment allowance stage 1		(5,948)	(5,444)
		=	3,875,002	2,284,108
	Market value		3,795,207	2,225,266
		-		
	Maturing within 12 months		3,502,605	1,780,909
	Maturing beyond 12 months		378,345	508,643
	- ,	-	3,880,950	2,289,552
17	Financial assets at fair value through	other comprehensiv	ve income	
	As at 31 December		2023	2022
	Unlisted equity securities, at fair value	_	889,835	334,256

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18 Intangible assets

	Software and banking systems
Opening net book amount as at 1 January 2022	12,002
Additions	5,494
Disposals	(37)
Amortization charged	(6,550)
Closing net book amount as at 31 December 2022	10,909
As at 31 December 2022	
Cost	85,734
Accumulated amortization	(74,825)
Net book amount	10,909
Opening net book amount as at 1 January 2023	10,909
Additions	9,078
Disposals	-
Amortization charged	(7,265)
Closing net book amount as at 31 December 2023	12,722
As at 31 December 2023	
Cost	94,812
Accumulated amortization	(82,090)
Net book amount	12,722

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19 Premises and other fixed assets

Tellinges and other fixed assets	Premises	Premises improvements	Furniture and equipment	Total
As at 1 January 2022				
Cost	115,935	76,897	77,662	270,494
Accumulated depreciation	(49,096)	(70,498)	(65,421)	(185,015)
Net book amount	66,839	6,399	12,241	85,479
Opening net book amount as at 1 January 2022	66,839	6,399	12,241	85,479
Additions	100,374	5,269	6,793	112,436
Write-offs/disposals	-	(4,941)	(3,839)	(8,780)
Depreciation charged	(3,963)	300	(1,925)	(5,588)
Closing net book amount as at 31 December 2022	163,250	7,027	13,270	183,547
As at 31 December 2022 and 1 January 2023				
Cost	216,309	77,225	80,616	374,150
Accumulated depreciation	(53,059)	(70,198)	(67,346)	(190,603)
Net book amount	163,250	7,027	13,270	183,547

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19 Premises and other fixed assets (continued)

Premises and other fixed assets (continued)	Premises	Premises improvements	Furniture and equipment	Total
Opening net book amount as at 1 January 2023	163,250	7,027	13,270	183,547
Additions	-	1,152	2,652	3,804
Write-offs/disposals	-	(704)	(1,229)	(1,933)
Depreciation charged	(4,298)	(3,571)	(4,179)	(12,048)
Closing net book amount as at 31 December 2023	158,952	3,904	10,514	173,370
As at 31 December 2023				
Cost	216,309	77,672	82,039	376,020
Accumulated depreciation	(57,357)	(73,768)	(71,525)	(202,650)
Net book amount	158,952	3,904	10,514	173,370
The net book amount of premises comprises:			2023	2022
Leaseholds in Macau			156,546	160,766
Freeholds in Macau			2,406	2,484
Net book amount		_	158,952	163,250

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20 Other assets

As at 31 December	2023	2022
Repossessed assets	1,500	1,500
Accounts receivable and prepayments	59,697	16,395
Others	9,059	8,746
	70,256	26,641
Less: impairment allowance stage 1	(138)	(368)
	70,118	26,273

21 Deferred income tax

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred income taxes relate to the same fiscal authority.

As at 31 December	2023	2022
Deferred tax liabilities to be settled after more than 12 months	(100,557)	(33,887)

The net movement on the deferred income tax (liabilities)/assets is as follows:

	20	23	2022
As at 1 January	(33,88	37)	4,115
Recognized in the income statement (Note 11) Recognized in equity As at 31 December	(66,67 (100,5 5	<u> </u>	(2,462) (35,540) (33,887)
Deferred income tax assets/(liabilities)	Impairment on loan and advances to customers	Investment revaluation	Total
As at 1 January 2022 Charged to the income statement Charged to equity As at 31 December 2022	4,115 (2,462) - 1,653	(35,540) (35,540)	4,115 (2,462) (35,540) (33,887)
As at 1 January 2023 Charged to the income statement Charged to equity As at 31 December 2023	1,653 - - - 1,653	(35,540) - (66,670) (102,210)	(33,887) - (66,670) (100,557)

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22 Deposits from customers

	As at 31 December	2023	2022
	Current deposit accounts	2,150,396	2,377,579
	Savings deposit accounts	3,753,014	4,420,639
	Time deposit accounts	16,468,751	12,900,004
	Total deposits from customers	22,372,161	19,698,222
	As at 31 December	2023	2022
	Maturing within 12 months	22,163,107	19,076,115
	Maturing beyond 12 months	209,054	622,107
		22,372,161	19,698,222
23	Certificate of deposit issued As at 31 December Maturing within 12 months	2023	2022 312,746
24	Other liabilities		
	As at 31 December	2023	2022
	Accrued expenses and other payables	26,880	32,032
	Deferred income	71,227	71,253
	Others	69,146	42,946
		167,253	146,231
	Add: impairment allowance stage 1 (in respect of		
	contingent liabilities and undrawn commitments)	1,203	2,311
		168,456	148,542

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25 Contingent liabilities and commitments

a. Capital commitments

As at 31 December 2023 and 2022, the Bank did not have any capital commitments.

b. Credit commitments

Credit commitments as at 31 December	2023	2022
Bank guarantees	207,901	292,410
Trade related contingencies	58,214	15,736
Other commitments	761,667	956,738
Total credit commitments	1,027,782	1,264,884
c. Operating lease commitments Operating lease commitments as at 31 December	2023	2022
Less than 12 months	4,034	4,697
Between 1 to 5 years	7,888	9,151
Over 5 years	-	1,508
Total operating lease commitments	11,922	15,356

d. Other contingent liabilities

The Bank is currently having a legal dispute with its business partner in relation to its bancassurance business involving, amongst other things, a monetary claim of up to about MOP188 million against the Bank. No provision was made for the legal dispute because management of the Bank is of the opinion that the Bank is more likely to succeed in its defence.

26 Related party transactions

Related parties are those parties, which have the ability, directly or indirectly, to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial and operating decisions. Parties are also considered to be related if they are subject to common control or common significant influence.

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26 Related party transactions (continued)

The Bank is controlled by DSB, the immediate holding company, which is a licensed bank incorporated in Hong Kong and directly owns 78% of the equity of the Bank. Other shareholders are DSB BCM (1) Limited and DSB BCM (2) Limited, each is directly holding 11% equity interest in the Bank, and both are wholly owned subsidiaries of DSB. The ultimate holding company of the Bank is DSFH, a company incorporated in Hong Kong and listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. In the ordinary course of the Bank's business, the Bank enters into transactions with fellow subsidiaries of DSFH which include Macau Insurance Company Limited ("MIC") and Macau Pension Fund Management Company Limited ("MPFM"), in addition to transactions with DSB.

Immediate holding company

Balances as at 31 December	2023	2022
Balances and placements with and loans and advances to banks	3,481,579	3,697,635
Receivables or prepaid expenses: Other receivables or prepaid expenses	172	83
Liabilities: Balances and deposits from banks Certificate of deposit issued	96,700 -	49,115 312,746
Payables or deferred income: Management fee Other payables or deferred income (Note ii)	1,617 792	791 727
Off balance sheet items: Currency options (notional amount)	1,462	
For the year ended 31 December	2023	2022
Income: Interest on placements with and loans and advances to banks (Note i) Interest on investment securities – At amortized cost (Note i)	146,492	48,013
Other operating income/management fee (Note ii)	160	198

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26 Related party transactions (continued)

Immediate holding company (continued)

For the year ended 31 December	2023	2022
Expenses:		
Interest on balances and deposits from banks	991	1,142
Interest on certificate of deposit issued	169	5,736
Other operating expense/management fee		
(Note iii)	3,179	2,774

- (i) The deposits placed with/from the immediate holding company are at market rates and on normal commercial terms that are comparable or no more favorable than those offered to independent third parties and that no security over the assets of the Bank is granted in respect of such financial assistance.
- (ii) Income derived from derivative transactions entered into with the immediate holding company.
- (iii) The management fee was related to computer and administrative charges paid to the immediate holding company. The underlying service agreement commenced from 1 January 2023.

Fellow subsidiaries

Balances as at 31 December	2023	2022
Assets:		
Loans and advances to non-bank customers	1,802	2,212
Receivables or prepaid expenses:		
Other receivables or prepaid expenses	768	541
Liabilities:		
Deposits from customers	85,159	186,064
For the year ended 31 December	2023	2022
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Income:		
Fee and commission income (Note iv)	7,588	8,022
Rental (Note v)	2,559	3,152
Management fee (Note vi)	1,072	1,040
Interest income (Note vii)	65	68
Expenses:		
Interest on deposits from customers (Note vii)	688	1,757
Fee and commission and operating expenses		•
(Note viii)	3,810	3,956

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26 Related party transactions (continued)

Fellow subsidiaries (continued)

- (iv) The fee and commission income was derived from a distribution agreement with MIC for the marketing and distribution of general insurance products through BCM's branch network for a fixed term of three years with effect from 1 January 2021 and ending on 31 December 2023.
- (v) The rental income was derived from the lease of a property to MIC which covers the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2025 at a month rent (exclusive of management fee and utility charges) of MOP213,210.
- (vi) The management fee was derived from computer and administrative charges earned from MIC.
- (vii) The interest income and expense were derived from banking services provided to MIC and MPFM in the same way as these services are provided to other customers and are conducted on normal commercial terms.
- (viii) Key management personnel The Bank did not provide any credit facility to the Group's key management personnel, their close family members and entities controlled by them in 2023 (2022: Nil), whereas the deposits taken from them were immaterial. Key management personnel of the Bank are directors, and their remunerations are included under Note 9.

27 Share capital

	2023	2022
Authorized 900,000 shares at MOP250 each	225,000	225,000
Issued and fully paid: Ordinary shares of MOP250 each	2023	2022
As at 1 January and 31 December		
Number of shares (thousand)	900	900
Share capital	225,000	225,000

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28 Reserves

Legal reserve

Movements in legal reserve are included in the statement of changes in equity on page 12 of the financial statements.

The legal reserve represents the amount set aside from retained earnings and is not distributable to the Bank's shareholders. Article 60° of the Macau Financial System Act requires credit institutions incorporated in Macau transfer at least 20% of their net annual profits to their legal reserve account until that fund amounts to half of the share capital. Once the amount referred to in the preceding sentence has been reached, credit institutions shall transfer at least 10% of their annual net profits to the legal reserve account until the reserve fund is equal to the share capital.

The Bank's legal reserve had been built up to its ceiling prior to the current year and there was no further transfer made in the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: Same).

Regulatory reserve

The regulatory reserve is maintained to satisfy the provisions of the AMCM for prudential supervision purposes in addition to expected credit loss recognized in accordance with AMCM Guideline Notice 012/2021-AMCM. Movements in the regulatory reserve are appropriated directly through unappropriated profits.

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29 Notes to cash flow statement

Analysis of balances of cash and cash equivalents:

	2023	2022
Cash (Note 13)	308,181	317,210
Balances with banks (Note 13)	517,151	724,415
Balance with AMCM	323,167	372,559
Minimum statutory cash requirement	(408,993)	(390,151)
Total cash and balances with banks	739,506	1,024,033
With original maturity up to 3 months: AMCM monetary bills Placements with and loans and advances to banks	811,091 1,553,765	938,417 1,811,612
Total AMCM monetary bills and placements	1,333,703	1,011,012
with and loans and advances to banks	2,364,856	2,750,029
Total cash and cash equivalents as at 31		
December	3,104,362	3,774,062