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中國華融資產管理股份有限公司

China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd.

(A joint stock limited liability company incorporated in the People's Republic of China)

(Stock Code: 2799)

2021 ANNUAL RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT OF CHINA HUARONG

The board of directors (the “**Board**”) of China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd. (the “**Company**”) announces the audited annual results of the Company and its subsidiaries for the year ended December 31, 2021. The Audit Committee of the Board has reviewed the audited annual results. This results announcement complies with the relevant requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited in relation to preliminary announcements of annual results. The printed version of the Company’s 2021 Annual Report will be delivered to the holders of the H Shares of the Company and available for viewing on the websites of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited at www.hkexnews.hk and of the Company at www.chamc.com.cn in April 2022.

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1. Company Profile

China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd. (Stock Code: 2799), with its predecessor being China Huarong Asset Management Corporation founded on November 1, 1999, is one of the four state-owned financial asset management companies (the “AMCs”) established in response to the Asian financial crisis and for mitigating financial risks, promoting the reform of state-owned banks and the reform and difficulty relief of state-owned enterprises. It was converted into a joint stock limited company upon the approval of the State Council on September 28, 2012. On October 30, 2015, China Huarong was listed on the Main Board of the HKEX. Currently, major Shareholders of the Company included the MOF, CITIC Group Corporation, China Insurance Rongxin Private Fund Co., Ltd., China Life Insurance (Group) Company, Warburg Pincus and Sino-Ocean Group Holding Limited.

The Company mainly engages in such businesses as distressed asset management, financial services, and asset management and investment business, with distressed asset management being its core business. Currently, China Huarong has 33 branches with geographic coverage across 30 provinces, autonomous regions and municipalities in mainland China as well as in Hong Kong and Macau. Its platform subsidiaries include Huarong Securities, Huarong Financial Leasing, Huarong Xiangjiang Bank, Huarong Trust, Huarong Rongde, Huarong Industrial and Huarong International, with a total of about 10,000 employees.

In 2021, China Huarong was selected as the Top 300 Traders in the Interbank Market in Local Currency 2021 by the National Interbank Funding Center.

2. Definitions

In this results announcement, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings:

AMCs	the four financial asset management companies approved for the establishment by the State Council, namely the Company, China Great Wall Asset Management Co., Ltd., China Orient Asset Management Co., Ltd. and China Cinda Asset Management Co., Ltd.
Articles of Association or Articles	the Articles of Association of China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd. as amended from time to time
Board or Board of Directors	the board of directors of the Company
Board of Supervisors	the board of supervisors of the Company
CBIRC	China Banking and Insurance Regulatory Commission (中國銀行保險監督管理委員會)
Company	China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd.
CITIC Group	CITIC Group Corporation
Debt-to-Equity Swap(s) or DES	the practice of converting indebtedness owed by the obligors to equity
DES Assets	(1) the equity assets that converted from distressed indebtedness, which was acquired by the Company from medium and large state-owned enterprises prior to its restructuring, as a result of equity swaps of distressed debt assets according to national policy; (2) additional equities of the aforementioned enterprises that the Company subsequently acquired as part of asset packages it purchased; (3) additional investments by the Company in the aforementioned enterprises; (4) equities the Company received in satisfaction of debt the Company acquired through distressed asset management; (5) the small amount of equity the Company received as part of its share capital when it was established in 1999; and (6) the assets from the market-oriented DES business conducted by the Company
DES Companies	the companies and enterprises whose distressed debt held by the AMCs were swapped for equity
Director(s)	director(s) of the Company
Domestic Share(s)	ordinary Share(s) in the share capital of the Company with a nominal value of RMB1.00 each, which are subscribed for or credited as fully paid in Renminbi
Epidemic	Corona Virus Disease 2019 epidemic

Group, our Group or China Huarong	China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd. and its subsidiaries
H Share(s)	ordinary Share(s) in the share capital of the Company with a nominal value of RMB1.00 each, which are subscribed for and traded in HK dollars and listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange
HK\$ or HK dollars	the lawful currency of Hong Kong
Hong Kong or HK	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
Hong Kong Stock Exchange or HKEX	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
Huarong Consumer Finance	Huarong Consumer Finance Co., Ltd.
Huarong Financial Leasing	China Huarong Financial Leasing Co., Ltd.
Huarong Futures	Huarong Futures Co., Ltd.
Huarong International	China Huarong International Holdings Limited
Huarong Industrial	Huarong Industrial Investment & Management Co., Ltd.
Huarong Rongde	Huarong Rongde Asset Management Co., Ltd.
Huarong Securities	Huarong Securities Co., Ltd.
Huarong Trust	Huarong International Trust Co., Ltd.
Huarong Xiangjiang Bank	Huarong Xiangjiang Bank Corporation Limited
IFRSs	the International Accounting Standards (IAS), the International Financial Reporting Standards, amendments and the related interpretations issued by the International Accounting Standards Board
Latest Practicable Date	March 28, 2022, being the latest practicable date for the purpose of ascertaining certain information contained in this results announcement prior to its publication
Listing Rules	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (as amended from time to time)
Macau	the Macau Special Administrative Region of the PRC
MOF	the Ministry of Finance of the PRC (中華人民共和國財政部)

Non-performing Loan(s) or NPL(s)	loan(s) classified as substandard, doubtful and loss under the five-category loan classification system (as applicable) adopted by financial institutions pursuant to applicable PRC guidelines
PBOC	the People's Bank of China (中國人民銀行), the central bank of the PRC
PRC GAAP	generally accepted accounting principles in the PRC
Reporting Period	the year ended December 31, 2021
RMB or Renminbi	the lawful currency of the PRC
ROAA	return on average assets
ROAE	return on average equity attributable to equity holders
Securities and Futures Ordinance or SFO	the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) as amended from time to time
Share(s)	ordinary Share(s) in the share capital of the Company with a nominal value of RMB1.00 each, including Domestic Shares and H Shares
Shareholder(s)	holder(s) of the Share(s)
State Council	the State Council of the PRC (中華人民共和國國務院)
Supervisors	supervisor(s) of the Company
US\$ or U.S. dollars or USD	the lawful currency of the United States

3. Important Notice

The Board, the Board of Supervisors, the Directors, Supervisors and senior management of the Company warrant the truthfulness, accuracy and completeness of this annual results announcement and that there are no misstatements, misleading representations or material omissions, and they shall assume several and joint liability for its contents.

On March 28, 2022, the third meeting of the Board in 2022 considered and approved the 2021 Annual Report and the 2021 Annual Results Announcement of the Company.

Ernst & Young Hua Ming LLP and Ernst & Young issued a qualified opinion on the 2021 annual consolidated financial statements of the Group. The qualified opinion only focuses the comparability of the consolidated financial performance and consolidated cash flows in 2021 with the figures in 2020. The audit opinion on the Group's 2022 annual financial statements will no longer be affected by the matters mentioned above. Details of which are set out in "17. Audit Report and Financial Statements".

The Company did not declare any cash dividend for the year ended December 31, 2021.

4. Corporate Information

Official Chinese name	中國華融資產管理股份有限公司
Chinese abbreviation	中國華融
Official English name	China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd.
English abbreviation	China Huarong
Legal representative	Wang Zhanfeng
Authorized representatives	Wang Wenjie, Xu Yongli
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Joint Company secretaries	Xu Yongli, Ngai Wai Fung
Registered address	No. 8 Financial Street, Xicheng District, Beijing, China
Postal code of place of registration	100033
Website	www.chamc.com.cn
Principal place of business in Hong Kong	40th Floor, Dah Sing Financial Centre, No. 248 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, China
Website of Hong Kong Stock Exchange for publishing the H Shares annual report	www.hkexnews.hk
Place for maintaining annual reports for inspection	Board Office of the Company
Stock exchange on which H Shares are listed	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
Stock name	China Huarong
Stock Code	2799
H Share registrar and office address	Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, China
Registration number of financial license	J0001H111000001

Social credit code	911100007109255774
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Legal advisors as to Hong Kong law and office address	Clifford Chance 27th Floor, Jardine House, One Connaught Place, Hong Kong, China
International accounting firm and office address	Ernst & Young 27/F, One Taikoo Place, 979 King's Road, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong, China
Domestic accounting firm and office address	Ernst & Young Hua Ming LLP Level 16, Ernst & Young Tower, Oriental Plaza, No. 1 East Changan Ave., Dongcheng District, Beijing, China

5. Financial Summary

The financial information contained in this results announcement was prepared in accordance with IFRSs. Unless otherwise specified, it is consolidated financial information of the Group and presented in RMB.

	For the year ended December 31,				
	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
	<i>(in millions of RMB)</i>				
Continuing operations					
Income from distressed debt assets	28,077.2	34,121.4	35,067.8	34,449.6	—
Fair value changes on distressed debt assets	6,464.5	4,317.0	9,963.7	8,657.9	—
Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities	13,176.3	(12,520.0)	11,727.2	(386.4)	—
Income from distressed debt assets classified as receivables	—	—	—	—	30,753.4
Fair value changes on financial assets and liabilities	—	—	—	—	12,770.8
Interest income	35,023.7	36,489.2	38,530.0	44,809.2	14,833.8
Finance lease income	2,040.9	3,535.9	5,911.6	6,784.4	6,181.2
Investment income, gains and losses	—	—	—	—	44,179.7
Gains from derecognition of financial assets measured at amortised cost	1,095.7	866.4	104.7	76.9	—
Gains/(losses) from derecognition of debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income (“FVTOCI”)	334.6	154.8	(9.8)	(79.2)	—
Commission and fee income	2,059.2	2,113.8	2,595.8	4,693.3	13,039.1
Net gains on disposals or deemed disposals of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures	571.7	769.1	1,441.2	228.0	917.6
Dividend income	1,087.2	1,193.0	1,819.0	2,392.2	—
Other income and other net gains or losses	3,135.9	4,364.5	5,505.3	5,627.2	5,395.0
Total income	<u>93,066.9</u>	<u>75,405.1</u>	<u>112,656.5</u>	<u>107,253.1</u>	<u>128,070.6</u>

	For the year ended December 31,				
	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
	<i>(in millions of RMB)</i>				
Interest expenses	(53,463.6)	(54,687.5)	(60,256.7)	(64,098.1)	(50,691.1)
Commission and fee expenses	(567.9)	(2,085.6)	(2,207.7)	(2,079.9)	(1,296.2)
Operating expenses	(11,986.2)	(12,791.3)	(13,138.8)	(14,550.0)	(15,140.9)
Impairment losses under expected credit loss (“ECL”) model	(16,678.0)	(97,298.4)	(24,966.2)	(17,297.8)	(16,550.5)
Impairment losses on other assets	(937.9)	(10,075.8)	(1,498.0)	(2,769.0)	(913.1)
Total expenses	(83,633.6)	(176,938.6)	(102,067.4)	(100,794.8)	(84,591.8)
Change in net assets attributable to other holders of consolidated structured entities	(2,669.4)	(500.5)	(631.3)	(1,928.2)	(7,823.7)
Share of results of associates and joint ventures	134.6	(846.5)	1,012.3	1,481.8	946.6
Profit/(loss) before tax from continuing operations	6,898.5	(102,880.5)	10,970.1	6,011.9	36,601.7
Income tax expense	(5,151.7)	(3,544.7)	(8,700.8)	(4,502.9)	(10,014.0)
Profit/(loss) for the year from continuing operations	1,746.8	(106,425.2)	2,269.3	1,509.0	26,587.7
Discontinued operation					
Profit after tax for the year from a discontinued operation	239.3	150.9	—	—	—
Profit/(loss) for the year	1,986.1	(106,274.3)	2,269.3	1,509.0	26,587.7
Profit/(loss) attributable to:					
Equity holders of the Company	378.5	(102,903.0)	1,424.4	1,575.5	21,992.6
Holders of perpetual capital instruments	1,219.2	811.3	869.4	976.8	1,140.5
Non-controlling interests	388.4	(4,182.6)	(24.5)	(1,043.3)	3,454.6

		As at December 31,				
	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	
	<i>(in millions of RMB)</i>					
Assets						
Cash and balances with central bank	23,956.5	22,808.4	30,774.7	29,909.1	33,207.1	
Deposits with financial institutions	146,698.3	123,875.0	149,462.0	107,500.2	162,881.1	
Placements with financial institutions	19,685.8	5,740.8	2,709.9	843.6	9,822.7	
Financial assets held for trading	—	—	—	—	67,257.7	
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (“FVTPL”)	351,047.7	359,440.0	367,669.9	391,181.0	—	
Financial assets designated as at fair value through profit or loss	—	—	—	—	230,045.3	
Financial assets held under resale agreements	11,044.3	15,224.6	22,525.9	20,126.9	41,238.1	
Contract assets	5,735.6	5,307.0	—	114.7	—	
Loans and advances to customers	247,164.0	232,500.2	211,265.1	190,654.0	158,221.9	
Finance lease receivables	23,554.1	39,796.7	68,040.3	99,002.9	95,703.9	
Debt instruments at FVTOCI	57,203.6	83,106.8	103,739.3	147,387.3	—	
Equity instruments at FVTOCI	3,139.6	4,493.9	3,583.7	3,244.3	—	
Inventories	20,854.1	20,112.4	19,147.4	19,243.0	16,640.8	
Available-for-sale financial assets	—	—	—	—	195,520.7	
Held-to-maturity investments	—	—	—	—	64,451.2	
Financial assets classified as receivables	—	—	—	—	701,192.4	
Debt instruments at amortised cost	580,799.4	656,048.6	642,086.0	612,133.1	—	
Interests in associates and joint ventures	10,514.8	14,358.0	28,078.9	36,975.5	42,097.1	
Investment properties	6,854.2	4,001.0	5,910.9	5,326.1	2,135.4	
Property and equipment	9,621.2	12,717.3	12,325.0	10,684.5	8,645.2	
Right-of-use assets	3,502.1	2,447.2	3,569.6	—	—	
Deferred tax assets	15,612.5	14,423.9	12,193.8	15,018.7	13,400.2	
Goodwill	323.0	323.0	18.1	263.4	342.1	
Assets held for sale	7,301.6	—	—	—	—	
Other assets	23,809.4	24,742.2	21,911.9	20,478.4	27,457.4	
Total assets	<u>1,568,421.8</u>	<u>1,641,467.0</u>	<u>1,705,012.4</u>	<u>1,710,086.7</u>	<u>1,870,260.3</u>	
Liabilities						
Borrowings from central bank	23,147.6	23,182.8	3,641.7	2,402.2	4,647.0	
Deposits from financial institutions	13,656.3	8,924.1	10,276.7	7,307.6	10,158.4	
Placements from financial institutions	4,784.2	4,679.3	2,253.6	300.2	2,101.6	
Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements	30,866.2	15,547.4	15,665.4	24,410.0	60,317.0	
Borrowings	747,625.5	778,423.8	761,506.4	760,995.5	773,057.3	
Financial liabilities at FVTPL	683.7	3,301.5	3,223.9	4,728.3	2,547.4	
Due to customers	257,208.9	250,827.2	226,814.7	209,116.5	202,349.9	
Tax payable	1,388.6	1,283.9	2,887.4	3,731.9	6,025.8	
Contract liabilities	401.2	649.1	575.1	954.4	—	
Lease liabilities	2,049.5	919.8	1,983.3	—	—	
Deferred tax liabilities	341.6	408.8	478.5	605.8	1,380.3	
Bonds and notes issued	271,065.2	336,971.8	367,345.6	353,305.3	331,962.9	
Liabilities directly associated with the assets held for sale	1,740.3	—	—	—	—	
Other liabilities	109,478.6	152,090.6	144,883.6	173,624.0	293,077.8	
Total liabilities	<u>1,464,437.4</u>	<u>1,577,210.1</u>	<u>1,541,535.9</u>	<u>1,541,481.7</u>	<u>1,687,625.4</u>	

	2021	As at December 31,			
		2020	2019	2018	2017
		<i>(in millions of RMB)</i>			
Equity					
Share capital	80,246.7	39,070.2	39,070.2	39,070.2	39,070.2
Capital reserve	16,431.8	17,241.5	18,405.0	19,107.4	19,015.0
Surplus reserve	8,564.2	8,564.2	8,564.2	6,971.8	5,299.7
General reserve	17,888.6	17,842.1	16,681.3	15,872.8	12,882.9
Other reserves	3,906.6	3,413.2	1,806.9	987.8	(799.5)
(Accumulated losses)/retained earnings	(67,694.0)	(67,976.5)	36,731.2	38,630.2	52,706.3
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company	59,343.9	18,154.7	121,258.8	120,640.2	128,174.6
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Perpetual capital instruments	22,377.9	25,475.9	18,430.6	20,258.5	23,185.4
Non-controlling interests	22,262.6	20,626.3	23,787.1	27,706.3	31,274.9
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total equity	103,984.4	64,256.9	163,476.5	168,605.0	182,634.9
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total equity and liabilities	1,568,421.8	1,641,467.0	1,705,012.4	1,710,086.7	1,870,260.3
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As at and for the year ended December 31,

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
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Financial Ratios

ROAE ⁽¹⁾	1.0%	(147.6%)	1.2%	1.3%	18.1%
ROAA ⁽²⁾	0.1%	(6.4%)	0.1%	0.1%	1.6%
Liabilities to total assets ratio ⁽³⁾	93.4%	96.1%	90.4%	90.1%	90.2%
Basic earnings/(loss) per share (RMB) ⁽⁴⁾	0.01	(2.63)	0.04	0.04	0.56
Diluted earnings/(loss) per share (RMB) ⁽⁵⁾	0.01	(2.63)	0.04	0.04	0.56

- (1) Represents the percentage of the net profit/(loss) attributable to equity holders of the Company for the period in the average balance of equity attributable to equity holders of the Company as at the beginning and the end of the period.
- (2) Represents the percentage of net profit/(loss) for the period (including profit/(loss) attributable to holders of permanent debt capital and non-controlling interests) in the average balance of total assets as at the beginning and the end of the period.
- (3) Represents the ratio of total liabilities to total assets for the period.
- (4) Represents the net profit/(loss) attributable to equity holders of the Company for the period divided by the weighted average number of outstanding shares.
- (5) Represents the earnings/(loss) per share based on the basic earnings/(loss) per share adjusted according to the dilutive potential ordinary shares.

6. Chairman's Statement

Flowers start to blossom in March after a cold winter. The year 2021 is an extraordinary year in the history of China Huarong and also the final year of the Three-Year Strategic Plan for building a New Huarong. Facing the complex and severe internal and external environment and a slate of major challenges ahead of us, under the loving care of the Party Central Committee and the State Council and with the help and support from the superior authorities, shareholders and the public, we maintained our strategic focus and took the initiative to embrace the challenges following the work target of “transformation year and breakthrough year”. Our overall business operation and development remained stable, the effect of focusing on our core business continued to show, and introducing strategic investors by way of capital increase was completed satisfactorily. We have successfully responded to changes, stabilized the overall situation, started a new situation, and constantly deepened the construction of New Huarong.

Over the past three years, remaining true to our original aspiration, we focused on transformation and upgrading, and our operation and development have fully carried out, and substantial progress has been made in the construction of the new Huarong. Discarding the old and introducing the new, we deeply analyzed the severe and deep-seated problems during the tenure of Lai Xiaomin, reversing the situation featuring aggressive operation, deviation from the core business, disorderly expansion and uncontrolled internal governance in the past, curbing the momentum of continuous expansion of risks; **Rising from adversity,** we formulated the idea of “stability, risk resolution, downsizing and transformation”, established the direction and path for the high-quality development of New Huarong; **Working hard in practice,** we put into practice its views on Party leadership and Party building, the operation management and internal governance underwent qualitative change, the staff team was improved comprehensively, and the overall risk resolution was completed in 2021 as marked by the implementation of reform and restructuring, securing a long-term stable prospect for New Huarong.

Over the past three years, we lived up to our mission and successfully addressed major risks and challenges, continued to enhancing the foundation of sustainable development of New Huarong. Facing the challenge of operational risk, resolutely implemented the decisions and arrangements of the superior authorities, implemented reform and restructuring, accelerated institution downsizing, enhanced our capital strength and effectively improved risk resilience to consolidate the foundation of sustainable development; **Facing trials such as delayed disclosure of annual reports and suspension of stock trading,** we strengthened internal and external communication, maintained a stable public opinion environment, and successfully resumed trading of our shares as scheduled; **Facing the impact of market fluctuations,** we overcome difficulties, redeemed domestic and overseas bonds on time to strictly control the systemic risk under the bottom line. Through joint efforts, the Company achieved a good situation of stable general situation, stable operation, stable capital, stable expectation and stable team in 2021.

Over the past three years, we have worked tirelessly to improve the quality of the development of our main business, and the positive trend of New Huarong has been consolidated. Focusing on the main business, we put effort into improving the quality of development and gradually iterating and upgrading the profit model, and constantly made new breakthroughs in the core business areas of the main businesses such as disposal of distressed assets, restructuring of enterprises with problems and market-based DES; **Seeking progress in stability,** we strive

to improve the quality and efficiency of operation and management, and continue to reduce the scale of assets and liabilities, and the revenue structure shows a positive trend, and the operating results in 2021 will be “negative to positive”; **Seeking truth and being practical**, we continued to strengthen internal governance, basically established a comprehensive and standardized system of New Huarong, comprehensively promoted the deep integration of Party leadership and corporate governance, and gradually formed a scientific and standardized corporate governance mechanism for decision-making, supervision and execution.

Help each other in dilemma and work together to curb crisis. The new look and new image of New Huarong are inseparable from the unremitting efforts of entire Huarong people, the full trust of the Party and the State, and superior organizations, and the full support of the shareholders, customers and all sectors of the community. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to express my heartfelt and sincere gratitude to all employees for their great contributions and to the superior organizations and related parties for their long-term care and support for the development of the Company.

The wise change from time to time, and the knowledge is made with the facts. Looking ahead, 2022 is a key year for the Communist Party of China to march towards the second centenary goal, and also a crucial opening year for China Huarong after its revival. Facing a more complex, severe and uncertain external environment in the post-pandemic era, we are still facing challenges for achieving high-quality development. We will take the introduction of new shareholders as an important opportunity to strengthen the leading role of Party construction, improve the quality and efficiency of management and operation, focus on the transformation and development of the core business, build a solid and stable foundation for development, and start a new journey of building a New Huarong.

We continuously strengthened the Party’s leadership and Party construction. Under the guidance of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, we firmly upheld the resolution of “establishing Comrade Xi Jinping’s core position on the Party Central Committee and in the Party as a whole and defining the guiding role of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era”, enhanced the effectiveness of supervision and governance, strengthened the construction of work style, and strived to transform the political and organizational advantages of the Party’s leadership into advantages of reform and development.

We kept promoting the transformation of the core business. We further changed the model of wholesale and retail and fund-based development for core businesses, cultivated new profit growth points, continued to optimize the profit model, built our advantages in asset restructuring and value mining in investment banking, created professional service advantages of distressed core business in key industries and key areas and advantages in integration of customer resources across the whole industrial chain.

Constantly and deeply prevent risks. We intensified the revitalization efforts of existing business, through effective and substantive restructuring, debt-to-equity swaps and other ways to discover and improve the value of existing assets, so as to achieve benefits from the existing assets. We innovated the risk resolution mechanism, broadened the disposal idea of risk asset, adhered to both incremental prevention and control and existing assets disposal to win the battle against risk resolution.

We kept strengthening internal management. We optimized operation and management and consolidated the capital management and control system to ensure the safety of liquidity. We kept improving the system, constructing an independent, comprehensive and effective comprehensive risk management system to make risk control throughout the whole process of operation and management. We promoted digital transformation to improve the level of information system in supporting business development.

Continue to strengthen the construction of talent team. We focused on the construction planning of New Huarong and the transformation and development needs of the core business, strengthened the top-level design and overall planning for the selection, cultivation, management and deployment of high-quality professional talents, formed a more professional and market-oriented talent system, and further improved the incentive system to stimulate the enthusiasm for work and entrepreneurship.

In the inspiring spring, we stand at a new historical starting point and feel that the mission is on our shoulders and there is a long way to go. We will actively seize the business development opportunities under multiple cycles, strive to build the core advantages of the core business, reshape the brand that is trustworthy in the market, and create greater value for the country, shareholders, customers and employees with high-quality development, welcome the convening of the 20th National Congress of the Communist Party of China with even more excellent results, and continue to paint a better future for New Huarong!

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of three characters: '王', '占', and '峰'.

Chairman: Wang Zhanfeng
March 28, 2022

7. President’s Statement

Life is a melodious journey on a rugged road. 2021 is a significant year in the history of China Huarong. Facing a series of major tests such as delayed disclosure of annual report, doubled liquidity pressure and reform and reorganization, China Huarong, under the full support and help from all parties, was united as one in the whole system, faced up to and actively coped with difficulties and made steady efforts. Closely following the overall requirements of “Year of Transformation and Year of Tackling”, and focusing on the key tasks of “resolving risks, revitalizing existing assets, optimizing incremental and strengthening foundation”, it stabilized the operation situation, ensured liquidity safety, successfully completed the strategic investors introduction and capital increase, and achieved positive results in operation.

Constant repair was made on the “three tables”, with results bottoming out. We effectively controlled and reduced the Group’s assets and liabilities, making the asset-liability ratio decrease by 2.7 percentage points year-on-year, and significantly improving the capital adequacy ratio. The Group’s total income increased by 23.4% as compared with the previous year, and total expenditure decreased by 52.7% as compared with the previous year. The Group achieved a net profit attributable to the parent company of RMB0.378 billion for the year, turning substantial losses in 2020 into profits in 2021. The parent company maintained generally stable operation and continued to maintain its position as the main profit contributor.

Effects were achieved in risk resolution and downsizing, thus guaranteeing the liquidity safety. We improved the risk resolution mechanism, increased positive incentives and further reduced the exposure to hidden existing risks. We promoted the Group’s downsizing in an orderly manner, achieved phased results in the optimization and integration of non-financial subsidiaries, and accelerated the progress of equity transfer of financial subsidiaries. We increased interbank synergies and maintained market ratings. We were permitted to issue financial bonds of no more than RMB70 billion, further optimizing the debt structure. We repaid various facilities on schedule and firmly held the bottom line of no liquidity risk.

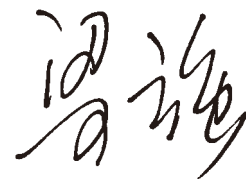
Steady efforts were made on tackling the existing risks, and the disposal and revitalization efforts were intensified. We innovated the marketing model, launched the “Rong Yi Tao (融易淘)” asset promotion and marketing platform, and carried out auctions and live promotions on Ali and Jingdong platforms. We diversified the disposal means, fully promoted the elimination of aging assets, and disposal income remained stable. We successfully implemented 93 bankruptcy restructuring stock projects, provided debt relief of more than RMB500 billion for enterprises with debts. We effectively revitalized equity assets, with investment returns significantly outperforming the market.

Constant optimization was made on the incremental layout, with accelerated transformation of the main business. We acquired distressed asset packages of RMB77.9 billion, continuing to lead the peers in market share. We implemented a number of major projects with demonstration effect of transformation, such as the divestiture of principal and subsidiary of state-owned enterprises, judicial auction, relief of listed companies and acquisition of defaulted bonds, and further increased the balance of restructuring business of enterprises with problems. We signed 10 new market-based debt-to-equity projects, making investment in new energy, high-end equipment manufacturing, information technology and other fields. We cultivated the upstream and downstream customer base and initially built the main business ecosystem.

Improved the quality and efficiency of basic management, and further consolidated the foundation of development. We improved the operation assessment system, refined the classification of branches and implemented counterpart support, strengthened risk control, optimized business authorization, and strived to build a full-time, professional and expert review and approval team. We strengthened compliance construction, carried out the “Year of Internal Control and Compliance Management Construction” activities, and continued to improve the system of New Huarong. We promoted the normalization and systematization of training, increased the training efforts of lines, and improve the professional abilities of the team.

In 2021, under the kind care of the Central Communist Party of China and the State Council, and with the support of all parties including superior organizations and new and old shareholders, we successfully introduced strategic investors such as CITIC Group, which effectively replenished our capital, significantly improved our risk resilience, consolidated the foundation for sustainable development, and embarked on a new stage of high-quality development of New Huarong.

A new year, a new start. In 2022, **striving will remain as the constant basic goal of Huarong people.** On a new phase in our history, we will be vigorous and determined to further focus on the three major tasks of “serving the real economy, preventing and controlling financial risks, and deepening financial reform”, promote the transformation and upgrading of our main business, accelerate the resolution of the existing risks, ensure steady progress in management and key indicators, continue to enhance our service capacity, and improve our business performance. And we will deliver a satisfactory answer to the state, shareholders and the community.



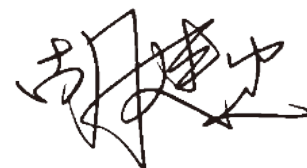
President: Liang Qiang
March 28, 2022

8. Statement of Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

2021 is an extraordinary year for the development of the Company. With the care and guidance of the Central Communist Party of China and relevant national authorities, the Company completed the arduous tasks of risk disposal and introducing strategic investors to replenish its capital, greatly improved its operating conditions, enhanced the ability to resist risks, and consolidated the foundation of sustainable development. The Board of Directors and senior management thoroughly implemented the national economic and financial policies. Standing on the new development stage, we implemented the new development concept and built a new development pattern. With a close focus on the four central tasks of “resolving risks, revitalizing existing assets, optimizing the increment and strengthening the foundation”, the Company deeply dug into the distressed asset market, gave full play to the function of a rescue financial institution, achieved new results in returning to the source and focusing on the core business, and contributed Huarong’s strength in preventing and resolving risks and serving the real economy.

In 2021, the Board of Supervisors of the Company conscientiously implemented the national economic and financial policies. Pursuant to the laws and regulations, regulatory provisions and the Articles of Association, with promoting the Company’s focus on its core business, stable and orderly operation, and sustainable development as the goal, and with the performance of duties, finance, internal control and risk as the main line of supervision, the Board of Supervisors adhered to problem orientation and result orientation, and conducted daily supervision horizontally and vertically to gradually improve the quality and efficiency of daily supervision. Focusing on the major issues that must be solved for the reform and development of New Huarong, the Board of Supervisors conducted extensive research, put forward targeted opinions and suggestions to promote the Company to continuously improve the top-level design of transformation and development of the core business, perfect the internal control system, standardize financial management and strengthen the ability of comprehensive risk management and group control, and continuously promoted the construction of New Huarong to achieve new results. The Board of Supervisors took the initiative to strengthen the work reporting with regulatory authorities, strengthened daily communication with the Board of Directors, senior management and its members, strengthened the experience exchange with peers, and strengthened its self-construction. The level of institutionalization, normalization and standardization of the work of the Board of Supervisors have been continuously improved, and the foresight, systematicness and effectiveness of supervision have been continuously enhanced. Over the past year, with the care and guidance of relevant national authorities, and with the understanding and support of the Party Committee, the Board of Directors and senior management of the Company, the Board of Supervisors successfully completed the established tasks, the pertinence and operability of supervision opinions has been continuously enhanced, and the supervision effect has become more obvious. The Board of Supervisors safeguarded the legitimate rights and interests of the Company, Shareholders, employees and other stakeholders in accordance with the law, and effectively played the role of a supervisory authority.

2022 has special importance to the connection of the national “14th Five-Year Plan”, and also for the Company to enter a new development period. Taking the General Secretary Xi Jinping’s important guidelines on financial work, i.e. “disciplining persons, overseeing money, and consolidating the system firewall”, as the basic principles, under the care and guidance of relevant state departments, and with the support of the Company’s Party Committee, Board of Directors, and senior management, the Board of Supervisors will improve its position, be dedicated to its duties, perform its duties in accordance with the law, work hard and perform duties diligently, focus on supervision, improve supervision methods, enhance the level of performance, improve the quality and efficiency of supervision, effectively play the role of supervisory entity, and work in concert with the Board of Directors and senior management to promote the steady and orderly operation and realize high-quality development of the Company.



Chairman of the Board of Supervisors: Hu Jianzhong

March 28, 2022

9. Management Discussion and Analysis

9.1 Economic, Financial and Supervising Environment

In 2021, although the global economy rebounded after the initial relief of the COVID-19 epidemic, the continued spread and recurrence of the Epidemic, energy transformation, supply chain bottlenecks and trade protection have jointly restrained the recovery of the supply side, and inflation has become the main risk to the global economic recovery. In response to inflationary pressures, developed economies have successively tightened monetary policies, and the momentum of global economic recovery has weakened. The International Monetary Fund lowered its forecast for global economic growth from 6% to 5.9%.

In 2021, China calmly responded to the changes in the century and the Epidemic of the century, and coordinated economic development and Epidemic prevention and control. The economy grew by 8.1% for the year 2021 on a year-on-year basis, ranking among the top of the major economies in the world, achieving a good start to the “14th Five-Year Plan”. However, the external environment has become more complex, severe and uncertain. In order to cope with the triple pressures of shrinking demand, supply shocks and weakening expectations faced by economic development, China has strengthened cross-cycle regulation of macro policies, increased supply and stabilized prices, and helped enterprises in bailouts, actively strengthened the economic foundation, enhanced scientific and technological innovation capabilities, steadily advanced high-quality development, and maintained overall economic stability.

In 2021, China’s financial industry fully implemented the new development concept, focused on deepening the supply-side structural reform, closely followed the requirements of “ensuring stability in employment, financial operations, foreign trade, foreign investment, domestic investment, and expectations” and “ensuring security in jobs, basic living needs, operations of market entities, food and energy security, stable industrial and supply chains, and the normal functioning of primary-level governments”, and intensified support for the real economy. The People’s Bank of China flexibly, accurately and effectively implemented prudent monetary policies, strengthened the organic combination of cross-cycle and counter-cycle, and coordinated financial support for the real economy and risk prevention. The CBIRC guided financial institutions to increase support for small and micro enterprises, technological innovation, and green development, actively prevented and controlled risks in key areas, improved the financial risk disposal mechanism, and persistently prevented and resolved financial risks. Under the guidance of the regulatory authorities, financial asset management companies proactively played the functions of counter-cyclical regulation and financial rescue, consolidated the foundation of the main business system centering on acquisitions and disposals, acquisitions and reorganizations, and DES, strived to maximize the operating income of non-performing assets, and continuously improved the ability and level of serving the national strategy and the real economy.

In 2021, the external environment was complex and severe, and the domestic economic development faced triple pressures. While consolidating and expanding the achievements of preventing and resolving major financial risks, the supervision gradually enhanced the ability and support for the new development pattern of financial services to bring new opportunities and challenges to the transformation and development of financial asset management companies. First, improve the macro-prudential policy framework and governance mechanism and clarify the goals of macro-prudential policies to “move ahead the preparedness threshold” for the prevention

and resolution of systemic financial risks, and the expansion of the “distressed” business area has brought broad market opportunities to financial asset management companies; second, further strengthen non-bank financial institutions to focus on their main business and prevent risks, require financial asset management companies to provide differentiated financial services to enhance the core function of non-performing asset disposal; third, adhere to the “different policies for different enterprises” and “different policies for different regions” to dispose of small and medium-sized financial institutions in high-risk areas, so as to realize the combination of risk disposal and deepening reform and promoting high-quality development; and fourth, open up the transfer of non-performing assets from individuals to enterprises and the batch transfer of personal non-performing loans, support credit insurance funds, asset management companies and trust companies working together in the disposal of their non-performing assets and trust risk assets to further expand the disposal channels and methods of non-performing assets.

9.2 Analysis of Financial Statements

9.2.1 Operating Results of the Group

Upon the comprehensive risk assessment and impairment provisions made in 2020, the Group focused on the priorities of “transformation year and breakthrough year” in 2021, and executed four major operating tasks of “resolving risks, revitalizing legacy assets, optimizing incremental assets, and consolidating foundation” to stabilize the operating situation, promote risk resolution and downsizing, accelerate the transformation of core business and optimize the layout of incremental assets, rendering a benign landscape in which the asset scale was stable with a slight decline, the core business remained stable and its profit turned positive. At the same time, the Group successfully completed capital increase by introducing strategic investors, which effectively replenished the capital strength and further reinforced the foundation of development of New Huarong.

In 2021, the total revenue of the Group’s continuing operations amounted to RMB93,066.9 million, representing an increase of 23.4% as compared with the previous year; the total expenditure of the continuing operations amounted to RMB83,633.6 million, representing a decrease of 52.7% as compared with the previous year; the net profit amounted to RMB1,986.1 million, and the net profit attributable to the shareholders of the Company amounted to RMB378.5 million, turning from losses into profits. (i) The main core business of distressed assets operation of the Group continued to maintain its performance contribution, and recorded total income of RMB51,747.6 million and profit before tax of RMB7,206.3 million from the distressed asset management segment, representing a decrease of 14.3% and an increase of 135.4% as compared with the previous year, respectively; among which, the Company accelerated the legacy asset turnover and value revitalizing for acquisition-and-disposal business, and broadened disposal channels by collaborating with online and offline disposal measures, achieving a revenue of RMB8,395.7 million, representing an increase of 1.8% as compared with the previous year; the acquisition-and-restructuring business insisted on steady placement and actively optimized business structure, with asset size and income decreasing amid stability; the DES business proactively served the development of real economy and recorded a revenue of RMB6,861.0 million, representing an increase of 140.7% as compared with the previous year; (ii) the continuing operations total revenue and profit before tax of the financial services segment which was operating stably amounted to RMB31,438.1 million and RMB6,040.9 million, representing a decrease of 2.3% and an increase of 347.5% as compared with the previous year, respectively; (iii) subsidiaries in the asset management and investment segment recorded loss reduction, achieving a total revenue of RMB14,378.5 million and loss before tax of RMB5,243.8 million, representing an increase of 225.0% and a decrease of 93.3% as compared with the previous year, respectively.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021	2020	Change	Change in percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Continuing operations				
Income from distressed debt assets	28,077.2	34,121.4	(6,044.2)	(17.7%)
Fair value changes on distressed debt assets	6,464.5	4,317.0	2,147.5	49.7%
Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities	13,176.3	(12,520.0)	25,696.3	205.2%
Interest income	35,023.7	36,489.2	(1,465.5)	(4.0%)
Finance lease income	2,040.9	3,535.9	(1,495.0)	(42.3%)
Gains from derecognition of financial assets measured at amortised cost	1,095.7	866.4	229.3	26.5%
Gains from derecognition of debt instruments at FVTOCI	334.6	154.8	179.8	116.1%
Commission and fee income	2,059.2	2,113.8	(54.6)	(2.6%)
Net gains on disposals or deemed disposals of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures	571.7	769.1	(197.4)	(25.7%)
Dividend income	1,087.2	1,193.0	(105.8)	(8.9%)
Other income and other net gains or losses	3,135.9	4,364.5	(1,228.6)	(28.1%)
Total income	93,066.9	75,405.1	17,661.8	23.4%
Interest expenses	(53,463.6)	(54,687.5)	1,223.9	(2.2%)
Commission and fee expenses	(567.9)	(2,085.6)	1,517.7	(72.8%)
Operating expenses	(11,986.2)	(12,791.3)	805.1	(6.3%)
Impairment losses under expected credit loss model	(16,678.0)	(97,298.4)	80,620.4	(82.9%)
Impairment losses on other assets	(937.9)	(10,075.8)	9,137.9	(90.7%)
Total expenses	(83,633.6)	(176,938.6)	93,305.0	(52.7%)
Change in net assets attributable to other holders of consolidated structured entities	(2,669.4)	(500.5)	(2,168.9)	433.3%
Share of results of associates and joint ventures	134.6	(846.5)	981.1	115.9%
Profit/(loss) before tax from continuing operations	6,898.5	(102,880.5)	109,779.0	106.7%
Income tax expense	(5,151.7)	(3,544.7)	(1,607.0)	45.3%
Profit/(loss) for the year from continuing operations	1,746.8	(106,425.2)	108,172.0	101.6%
Discontinued operation				
Profit after tax for the year from a discontinued operation	239.3	150.9	88.4	58.6%
Profit/(loss) for the year	1,986.1	(106,274.3)	108,260.4	101.9%
Profit/(loss) attributable to:				
Equity holders of the Company	378.5	(102,903.0)	103,281.5	100.4%
Holder of perpetual capital instruments	1,219.2	811.3	407.9	50.3%
Non-controlling interests	388.4	(4,182.6)	4,571.0	109.3%

9.2.1.1 Total income from continuing operations

The table below sets forth the components of total income of the Group's continuing operations for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021	2020	Change	Change in percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Income from distressed debt assets	28,077.2	34,121.4	(6,044.2)	(17.7%)
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Net gains on disposals or deemed disposals of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures	571.7	769.1	(197.4)	(25.7%)
Dividend income	1,087.2	1,193.0	(105.8)	(8.9%)
Other income and other net gains or losses	3,135.9	4,364.5	(1,228.6)	(28.1%)
Total income	<u>93,066.9</u>	<u>75,405.1</u>	<u>17,661.8</u>	<u>23.4%</u>

In 2021, the Group's total income from continuing operations was RMB93,066.9 million, representing an increase of 23.4% as compared with the previous year. Among which, income from distressed debt assets and interest income maintained a large contribution to income, while fair value changes on distressed debt assets, fair value changes on other financial assets, and liabilities increased as compared with the previous year.

9.2.1.1.1 Income from distressed debt assets

Income from distressed debt assets derives from the acquisition-and-restructuring business of the Group. In 2021, the Group's acquisition-and-restructuring business, which was guided by the operating strategy of "revitalizing legacy assets and optimizing incremental assets", focused on "large distressed" business areas, insisted on stable investment, optimized the business structure, reduced non-financial real estate related business, and expanded the portion of restructuring business of problematic enterprises to enhance the quality and effectiveness of serving the real economy, leading to asset size and income decreasing amid stability. The Group's distressed debt assets decreased by 17.2% from RMB352,953.9 million in 2020 to RMB292,354.4 million in 2021, and its income from distressed debt assets decreased by 17.7% from RMB34,121.4 million in 2020 to RMB28,077.2 million in 2021.

9.2.1.1.2 Fair value changes on distressed debt assets

The table below sets forth the components of fair value changes on distressed debt assets of the Group for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			Change in
	2021	2020	Change	percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Fair value changes on distressed debt assets				
— realized	8,395.7	8,245.0	150.7	1.8%
— unrealized	(1,931.2)	(3,928.0)	1,996.8	50.8%
Total	<u>6,464.5</u>	<u>4,317.0</u>	<u>2,147.5</u>	<u>49.7%</u>

Fair value changes on distressed debt assets derive from the acquisition-and-disposal business of the Group, including the realized net income from acquisition-and-disposal distressed debt assets and the unrealized fair value changes on such assets. Any interest income generated from such assets is also included in the fair value changes.

In 2021, the Group promoted the disposal of distressed debt assets with all its efforts and enhanced the establishment of disposal channels by autonomously expanding marketing APP, used a reasonable combination of online and offline disposal measures and took multiple measures to improve the quality and effectiveness of asset disposal. The realized net income from the disposal was RMB8,395.7 million, representing an increase of 1.8% as compared with the previous year. The unrealized fair value changes were RMB-1,931.2 million in 2021, representing an increase of 50.8% as compared with RMB-3,928.0 million in 2020.

9.2.1.1.3 Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities

The table below sets forth the components of fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities of the Group for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021	2020	Change	Change in percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities				
— realized	9,218.9	8,776.1	442.8	5.0%
— unrealized	3,957.4	(21,296.1)	25,253.5	118.6%
Total	13,176.3	(12,520.0)	25,696.3	205.2%

Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities derive from the financial assets and financial liabilities at FVTPL, excluding the ones in relation to the acquisition-and-disposal business of the Group. The fair value changes comprise both realized gains or losses from disposal and settlement of other financial assets and liabilities and unrealized fair value changes on such assets and liabilities. Any interest income arising from such assets is also included in fair value changes.

In 2021, the fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities were RMB13,176.3 million, representing an increase of 205.2% as compared with RMB-12,520.0 million of the previous year. In particular, the realized gains or losses and the unrealized fair value changes amounted to RMB9,218.9 million and RMB3,957.4 million, representing an increase of 5.0% and 118.6% as compared with the previous year, respectively, mainly because (i) in 2021, the Group proactively served the real economy and steadily promoted market-oriented debt to equity swap business. On the one hand, the disposal of certain assets including equity investment was achieved, with an increase in the realized gains. On the other hand, the fair value of some equity investments increased in line with the capital market, and the unrealized fair value changes were increased; (ii) in 2020, the Group performed a comprehensive review, assessment and impairment test of the existing risk assets, and recognized a large amount of loss from fair value changes in the current period, there was no impact of these factors in 2021.

9.2.1.1.4 Interest income

The table below sets forth the components of the interest income of the Group for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021	2020	Change	Change in percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Debt instruments at amortised cost other than distressed debt assets	12,116.7	13,132.4	(1,015.7)	(7.7%)
Debt instruments at FVTOCI other than distressed debt assets	1,495.7	1,891.8	(396.1)	(20.9%)
Loans and advances to customers				
Corporate loans and advances and discounted bills	8,105.3	8,764.3	(659.0)	(7.5%)
Personal loans and advances	5,332.3	5,289.0	43.3	0.8%
Loans to margin clients	255.0	338.9	(83.9)	(24.8%)
Receivables arising from sales and leaseback arrangements	4,414.3	3,500.6	913.7	26.1%
Deposits with financial institutions	2,238.7	2,288.4	(49.7)	(2.2%)
Placements with financial institutions	438.1	388.4	49.7	12.8%
Financial assets held under resale agreements	319.3	571.8	(252.5)	(44.2%)
Balances with central bank	308.3	323.6	(15.3)	(4.7%)
Total	<u>35,023.7</u>	<u>36,489.2</u>	<u>(1,465.5)</u>	<u>(4.0%)</u>

Interest income derives from the Group's debt instrument, which is measured at amortised cost and FVTOCI, excluding that from the acquisition-and-restructuring businesses of the Group. In 2021, the Group's interest income amounted to RMB35,023.7 million, decreased by 4.0% from the previous year, mainly because: (i) the Group sustainably reduced its non-dominant and non-advantageous business, and the Group's interest income from both the debt instruments measured at amortised cost other than distressed debt assets and the debt instruments at FVTOCI other than distressed debt assets decreased by 9.4% from RMB15,024.2 million in 2020 to RMB13,612.4 million in 2021; (ii) the interest income from loans and advances to customers decreased by 4.9% from RMB14,392.2 million in 2020 to RMB13,692.6 million in 2021; (iii) the interest income of receivables arising from sales and leaseback arrangements of Huarong Financial Leasing increased by 26.1% from RMB3,500.6 million in 2020 to RMB4,414.3 million in 2021, partially offset by a decrease in interest income.

9.2.1.1.5 Finance lease income

The finance lease income of the Group mainly derives from Huarong Financial Leasing. The finance lease income decreased by 42.3% from RMB3,535.9 million in 2020 to RMB2,040.9 million in 2021. On the one hand, the Group applied IFRS 16 on January 1, 2019, the income from the sale and leaseback business concluded before the implementation of this standard is stated in this account, and the sale and leaseback business concluded later is recognized as a financing arrangement in accordance with IFRS 9, and the income is included in interest income. On the other hand, affected by the industry trend and liquidity demand, the lessee tends to carry out business by means of sales and leaseback rather than financial lease, resulting in the decline of finance lease income year by year.

9.2.1.1.6 Commission and fee income

The table below sets forth the components of the commission and fee income of the Group for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021	2020	Change	Change in percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Securities and futures brokerage business	951.4	897.2	54.2	6.0%
Banking business	668.5	624.1	44.4	7.1%
Asset management business	248.5	241.0	7.5	3.1%
Trust business	165.4	338.3	(172.9)	(51.1%)
Fund management business	25.4	13.2	12.2	92.4%
Total	<u>2,059.2</u>	<u>2,113.8</u>	<u>(54.6)</u>	<u>(2.6%)</u>

Commission and fee income of the Group decreased by 2.6% from RMB2,113.8 million in 2020 to RMB2,059.2 million in 2021, mainly due to part of the trust projects of Huarong Trust were due in 2021, the size of the trust plan decreased, and resulted in a decrease in commission and fee income from the trust business.

9.2.1.1.7 Other income and other net gains or losses

The table below sets forth the components of other income and other net gains or losses of the Group for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021	2020	Change	Change in percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Income arising from operating leases	1,076.7	1,081.2	(4.5)	(0.4%)
Revenue from properties development	871.1	2,396.6	(1,525.5)	(63.7%)
Revenue from construction services	440.4	—	440.4	100.0%
Revenue from futures and spot trading	310.2	103.8	206.4	198.8%
Government grants	183.2	171.4	11.8	6.9%
Revenue from hotel operation	132.8	76.2	56.6	74.3%
Net gains on assets pending for disposal	49.1	7.0	42.1	601.4%
Penalty income	5.3	2.2	3.1	140.9%
Net (losses)/gains on exchange differences	(655.4)	15.9	(671.3)	(4,222.0%)
Others	722.5	510.2	212.3	41.6%
Total	3,135.9	4,364.5	(1,228.6)	(28.1%)

Other income and other net gains or losses of the Group decreased by 28.1% from RMB4,364.5 million in 2020 to RMB3,135.9 million in 2021, mainly due to (i) some property projects of Huarong Industrial are in the stage of sale of inventory properties, and some new projects are in the stage of development and construction, decreasing in the deliverable volume, which resulted in the decrease of revenue from property development from RMB2,396.6 million in 2020 to RMB871.1 million in 2021 under the influence of the periodicity of property project development; (ii) the net losses on exchange differences of RMB655.4 million in 2021 under the influence of the fluctuation of exchange rate market.

9.2.1.2 Total income from discontinued operating activities

Income from discontinued operating activities of the Group is mainly the income from Huarong Consumer Finance which is categorized as a subsidiary held for sale in 2021. Income from discontinued operating activities increased by 12.3% from RMB1,102.4 million in 2020 to RMB1,238.2 million in 2021, mainly due to interest income from discontinued operating activities increased 12.6% from RMB1,099.9 million in 2020 to RMB1,238.1 million in 2021.

9.2.1.3 Total expenses of continuing operations

Total expenses of continuing operations of the Group decreased by 52.7% from RMB176,938.6 million in 2020 to RMB83,633.6 million in 2021, all expenses decreased to varying degrees.

The table below sets forth the components of the total expenses of the Group's continuing operations for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021	2020	Change	Change in
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Interest expenses	(53,463.6)	(54,687.5)	1,223.9	(2.2%)
Commission and fee expenses	(567.9)	(2,085.6)	1,517.7	(72.8%)
Operating expenses	(11,986.2)	(12,791.3)	805.1	(6.3%)
Credit impairment loss	(16,678.0)	(97,298.4)	80,620.4	(82.9%)
Impairment losses on other assets	(937.9)	(10,075.8)	9,137.9	(90.7%)
Total expenses	<u>(83,633.6)</u>	<u>(176,938.6)</u>	<u>93,305.0</u>	<u>(52.7%)</u>

9.2.1.3.1 Interest expenses

The table below sets forth the major components of the interest expenses of the Group for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			Change in
	2021	2020	Change	percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Borrowings	(33,779.1)	(33,484.2)	(294.9)	0.9%
Bonds and notes issued	(11,676.3)	(13,959.4)	2,283.1	(16.4%)
Due to customers	(5,938.6)	(5,957.6)	19.0	(0.3%)
Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements	(764.6)	(458.7)	(305.9)	66.7%
Borrowings from central bank	(652.9)	(299.9)	(353.0)	117.7%
Deposits from financial institutions	(295.6)	(81.4)	(214.2)	263.1%
Lease liabilities	(131.3)	(63.5)	(67.8)	106.8%
Placements from financial institutions	(63.7)	(34.6)	(29.1)	84.1%
Other liabilities	(161.5)	(348.2)	186.7	(53.6%)
Total	<u>(53,463.6)</u>	<u>(54,687.5)</u>	<u>1,223.9</u>	<u>(2.2%)</u>

The Group continued to promote the work of downsizing and risk resolution, resulting in the reduction in the scale of financing. The interest expenses of the Group decreased by 2.2% from RMB54,687.5 million in 2020 to RMB53,463.6 million in 2021. In particular, the Company cashed the matured bonds timely, the scale of bonds and notes issued decreased by 19.6% from RMB336,971.8 million in 2020 to RMB271,065.2 million in 2021, the corresponding interest expenses decreased by 16.4% from RMB13,959.4 million in 2020 to RMB11,676.3 million in 2021.

9.2.1.3.2 Operating expenses

The table below sets forth the components of the operating expenses of the Group for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			Change in
	2021	2020	Change	percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Employee benefits	(4,753.7)	(4,679.6)	(74.1)	1.6%
Tax and surcharges	(632.8)	(646.5)	13.7	(2.1%)
Others	(6,599.7)	(7,465.2)	865.5	(11.6%)
Including:				
Depreciation of property and equipment	(867.6)	(966.4)	98.8	(10.2%)
Cost of properties development and sales	(781.3)	(1,509.0)	727.7	(48.2%)
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	(718.3)	(697.2)	(21.1)	3.0%
Rental for short-term leases	(282.1)	(239.5)	(42.6)	17.8%
Amortisation	(248.2)	(234.5)	(13.7)	5.8%
Depreciation of investment properties	(145.4)	(179.7)	34.3	(19.1%)
Management fee for leases	(134.1)	(131.5)	(2.6)	2.0%
Auditor's remuneration	(34.5)	(34.1)	(0.4)	1.2%
Total	<u>(11,986.2)</u>	<u>(12,791.3)</u>	<u>805.1</u>	<u>(6.3%)</u>

Operating expenses of the Group decreased by 6.3% from RMB12,791.3 million in 2020 to RMB11,986.2 million in 2021, mainly due to the cyclical impact of real estate project development, the completion progress in 2021 is lower than that in 2020, resulting in a year-on-year decrease in the property development and sales costs.

9.2.1.3.3 Credit impairment losses

The table below sets forth the major components of credit impairment losses of the Group for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021	2020	Change	Change in percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Debt instruments at amortised cost	(10,410.9)	(74,471.5)	64,060.6	(86.0%)
Loans and advances to customers	(4,690.9)	(3,984.0)	(706.9)	17.7%
Debt instrument at FVTOCI	(1,360.1)	(7,094.1)	5,734.0	(80.8%)
Finance lease receivables	(705.5)	(689.2)	(16.3)	2.4%
Financial assets held under resale agreements	859.3	(4,927.1)	5,786.4	(117.4%)
Credit enhancements and commitments	929.7	(3,788.1)	4,717.8	(124.5%)
Others	(1,299.6)	(2,344.4)	1,044.8	(44.6%)
Total	<u>(16,678.0)</u>	<u>(97,298.4)</u>	<u>80,620.4</u>	<u>(82.9%)</u>

In accordance with IFRS 9-Financial Instruments, the Group conducted impairment assessment under expected credit loss (“ECL”) model on debt instruments at amortised cost and debt instruments at FVTOCI, and recognized relevant impairment loss of credit at each balance sheet date. For details of impairment provided, please refer to Note III 9.2, Note IV and Note V 62.1 of consolidated financial statement.

In 2020, on the one hand, under the cumulated impact of the Epidemic and the tension of international trade, global economy showed a downward trend and the growth of domestic macro economy slowed down, and “mine explosion” incidents frequently occurred in the market. On the other hand, the fast-growing acquisition-and-restructuring projects from 2015 to 2017 and fixed income projects of the Company matured intensively in 2020. Due to the historical reasons for the formation of the assets and the effect of the current market, as well as the severe impact of the Epidemic and the “mine explosion” incidents in the market, the contract performance ability of customers was greatly affected and the relevant assets’ quality was also exposed to greater pressure than that in the previous period. The Group conducted a comprehensive review, evaluation and impairment test of stock risk assets in 2020 and recognized a large amount of credit impairment loss in the current period. In 2021, there was no impact of these factors. The credit impairment losses of the Group decreased 82.9% from RMB97,298.4 million in 2020 to RMB16,678.0 million in 2021. Among which: (i) recognized credit impairment losses by its risk profile of loans and advances to customers and finance lease receivables in 2021 were RMB4,690.9 million and RMB705.5 million respectively, increased by 17.7% and 2.4% as compared with the previous year, respectively; (ii) recognized credit impairment losses of the debt instruments at amortised cost and the debt instruments at FVTOCI in 2021 by its risk profile and based on expected credit loss model were RMB10,410.9 million and RMB1,360.1 million respectively; (iii) net credit impairment losses of RMB859.3 million and RMB929.7 million on financial assets held under resale agreements, and credit enhancements and commitments were reversed in 2021, respectively, due to improvement in risk profile; (iv) impairment loss of RMB1,299.6 million was recognized for other financial assets in 2021, representing a decrease of 44.6% as compared with the previous year.

9.2.1.3.4 Impairment losses on other assets

The table below sets forth the components of impairment losses on other assets of the Group for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			Change in
	2021	2020	Change	percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Foreclosed assets	(434.8)	(357.7)	(77.1)	21.6%
Interests in associates and joint ventures	(364.3)	(5,781.8)	5,417.5	(93.7%)
Property and equipment	(86.0)	(145.9)	59.9	(41.1%)
Inventories	—	(1,585.7)	1,585.7	(100.0%)
Investment properties	—	(1,377.9)	1,377.9	(100.0%)
Goodwill	—	(546.9)	546.9	(100.0%)
Right-of-use assets	—	(252.9)	252.9	(100.0%)
Others	(52.8)	(27.0)	(25.8)	95.6%
Total	<u>(937.9)</u>	<u>(10,075.8)</u>	<u>9,137.9</u>	<u>(90.7%)</u>

In 2021, the impairment loss on other assets decreased by 90.7% from RMB10,075.8 million in 2020 to RMB937.9 million in 2021. This is mainly due to the Group's comprehensive review, assessment and impairment test on its existing risk assets, and the recognition of a large amount of impairment loss on other assets in 2020 current period, the impact of which does not exist in 2021. Among which: (i) the Group examines its interests in associates and joint ventures at each balance sheet date for indications of possible impairment and if there is any sign of impairment on the interests in associates and joint ventures, provides for asset impairment based on the difference by which the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount. For details about provision for the impairment, please refer to Note III.6 and Note V.31 of the consolidated financial statements. In 2021, an impairment loss of RMB364.3 million was recognized for interests in associates and joint ventures, representing a decrease of 93.7% from the previous year; (ii) an impairment loss of RMB434.8 million was recognized for foreclosed assets in 2021 mainly due to the decrease in the appraised value of Huarong Xiangjiang Bank's foreclosed assets; (iii) there was no sign of impairment on the investment properties, inventories, goodwill and right-of-use assets at the end of 2021 and no impairment provision was provided.

9.2.1.4 Total expenses from discontinued operation

The table below sets forth the components of the total expenses from discontinued operation of the Group for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021	2020	Change	Change in percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Interest expenses	(131.4)	(180.7)	(49.3)	(27.3%)
Commission and fee expenses	(342.3)	(285.9)	56.4	19.7%
Operating expenses	(115.1)	(108.6)	6.4	5.9%
Impairment loss under expected credit loss model	(413.1)	(381.3)	31.9	8.4%
Total	(1,001.9)	(956.5)	45.4	4.7%

Expenses from discontinued operation of the Group is mainly the expenses from Huarong Consumer Finance which is categorized as a subsidiary held for sale in 2021. Expenses from discontinued operating activities increased by 4.7% from RMB956.5 million in 2020 to RMB1,001.9 million in 2021, mainly due to the increase in commission and fee expenses from discontinued operation.

9.2.1.5 Income tax expenses

9.2.1.5.1 Income tax expense from continuing operations

The table below sets forth the components of income tax expense of the Group for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021	2020	Change	Change in percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Current income tax				
PRC enterprise income tax	(6,014.1)	(5,313.6)	(700.5)	13.2%
PRC land appreciation tax (“LAT”)	(57.8)	(107.5)	49.7	(46.2%)
Hong Kong profits tax	(29.2)	(77.6)	48.4	(62.4%)
(Under)/over-provision in prior years	(64.6)	73.3	(137.9)	(188.1%)
Deferred income tax	1,014.0	1,880.7	(866.7)	(46.1%)
Total	(5,151.7)	(3,544.7)	(1,607.0)	45.3%

Income tax expenses of the Group from continuing operations increased by 45.3% from RMB3,544.7 million in 2020 to RMB5,151.7 million in 2021, which was mainly because: (i) the parent company and some subsidiaries turned losses into profits, and the taxable income of the current year increased; (ii) the amount of asset impairment provision decreased as compared with the previous year, therefore the deferred tax assets recognized decreased year-on-year.

9.2.1.5.2 Income tax expenses from discontinued operating activities

Income tax expenses from discontinued operating activities of the Group, which are mainly from Huarong Consumer Finance that is categorized as a subsidiary held for sale in 2021, are RMB-5.0 million in 2020 and RMB-3.0 million in 2021, respectively.

9.2.1.6 Segment operating results

The Group reports financial results of continuing operations in three segments:

- (1) distressed asset management segment: mainly includes distressed debt asset management business of the Company, policy-based DES asset management business through commercial buy-out of the Company, distressed asset management business conducted by our subsidiaries, distressed asset-based special situations investments business, distressed asset-based property development business as well as market-oriented DES business of the Group.
- (2) financial services segment: mainly includes securities and futures business, financial leasing business, and banking services business.
- (3) asset management and investment segment: mainly includes trust business, international business and other business.

The table below sets forth the total income from of each of the Group's continuing operations segments for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021	2020	Change	Change in percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Distressed asset management segment	51,747.6	60,369.8	(8,622.2)	(14.3%)
Financial services segment	31,438.1	32,185.8	(747.7)	(2.3%)
Asset management and investment segment	14,378.5	(11,500.0)	25,878.5	225.0%
Inter-segment elimination	(4,497.3)	(5,650.5)	1,153.2	(20.4%)
Total	<u>93,066.9</u>	<u>75,405.1</u>	<u>17,661.8</u>	<u>23.4%</u>

The table below sets forth the profit before tax from of each of the Group’s continuing operations segments for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			Change in percentage
	2021	2020	Change	
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Distressed asset management segment	7,206.3	(20,383.8)	27,590.1	135.4%
Financial services segment	6,040.9	(2,440.6)	8,481.5	347.5%
Asset management and investment segment	(5,243.8)	(77,902.6)	72,658.8	93.3%
Inter-segment elimination	(1,104.9)	(2,153.5)	1,048.6	(48.7%)
Total	<u>6,898.5</u>	<u>(102,880.5)</u>	<u>109,779.0</u>	<u>106.7%</u>

The table below sets forth the total assets of each of the Group’s segments as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31,			Change in percentage
	2021	2020	Change	
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Distressed asset management segment	802,135.8	837,605.2	(35,469.4)	(4.2%)
Financial services segment	588,533.1	611,064.5	(22,531.4)	(3.7%)
Asset management and investment segment	254,267.0	276,060.8	(21,793.8)	(7.9%)
Inter-segment elimination	(99,428.2)	(97,687.3)	(1,740.9)	1.8%
Total	<u>1,545,507.7</u>	<u>1,627,043.2</u>	<u>(81,535.5)</u>	<u>(5.0%)</u>

Note: The total assets of each business segment exclude assets held for sale and deferred income tax assets, the same below.

In 2021, the distressed asset operation of the Group closely followed the general requirements of the “Year of Transformation and Year of Tackling”, refined and implemented the four major operational tasks of “resolving risks, optimizing incremental assets, revitalizing existing assets and consolidating foundation”, steadily promoted the revitalization of legacy assets and continued to optimize the layout of incremental assets. Accordingly, asset scale was stable with a decline, profit turned positive, and business structure was continuously optimized with a stable overall operation and continuous improvement of development quality. The total assets from the distressed asset management segment decreased by 4.2% from RMB837,605.2 million as at December 31, 2020 to RMB802,135.8 million as at December 31, 2021; the total income decreased by 14.3% from RMB60,369.8 million in 2020 to RMB51,747.6 million in 2021; profit before tax increased by 135.4% from RMB-20,383.8 million in 2020 to RMB7,206.3 million in 2021.

The subsidiaries of the financial services segment operated smoothly in 2021. The business of banking and finance lease developed stably, and the profitability of securities business gradually recovered. the total income from financial services segment decreased by 2.3% from RMB32,185.8 million in 2020 to RMB31,438.1 million in 2021; profit before tax increased by 347.5% from RMB-2,440.6 million in 2020 to RMB6,040.9 million in 2021; the total assets decreased by 3.7% from RMB611,064.5 million as at December 31, 2020 to RMB588,533.1 million as at December 31, 2021.

Scale of the asset management and investment business continued to decline, and the loss before tax reduced in 2021. the total income from asset management and investment segment increased by 225.0% from RMB-11,500.0 million in 2020 to RMB14,378.5 million in 2021; loss before tax decreased by 93.3% from RMB77,902.6 million in 2020 to RMB5,243.8 million in 2021; the total assets decrease by 7.9% from RMB276,060.8 million as at December 31, 2020 to RMB254,267.0 million as at December 31, 2021.

9.2.2 Financial Positions of the Group

In 2021, the Group successfully completed the introduction of strategic investors and capital increase, realizing effective replenishment of capital strength. It continued to make efforts in risk dissolution and downsizing and optimized asset and liability management. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the total assets of the Group amounted to RMB1,641,467.0 million and RMB1,568,421.8 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 4.4%; total liabilities amounted to RMB1,577,210.1 million and RMB1,464,437.4 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 7.2%; total equity amounted to RMB64,256.9 million and RMB103,984.4 million, respectively, representing an increase of 61.8%.

The table below sets forth the major items of consolidated statement of financial position of the Group as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31,			Change in percentage
	2021	2020	Change	
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Cash and balances with central bank	23,956.5	22,808.4	1,148.1	5.0%
Deposits with financial institutions	146,698.3	123,875.0	22,823.3	18.4%
Placements with financial institutions	19,685.8	5,740.8	13,945.0	242.9%
Financial assets at FVTPL	351,047.7	359,440.0	(8,392.3)	(2.3%)
Financial assets held under resale agreements	11,044.3	15,224.6	(4,180.3)	(27.5%)
Contract assets	5,735.6	5,307.0	428.6	8.1%
Loans and advances to customers	247,164.0	232,500.2	14,663.8	6.3%
Finance lease receivables	23,554.1	39,796.7	(16,242.6)	(40.8%)
Debt instruments at FVTOCI	57,203.6	83,106.8	(25,903.2)	(31.2%)
Equity instruments at FVTOCI	3,139.6	4,493.9	(1,354.3)	(30.1%)
Inventories	20,854.1	20,112.4	741.7	3.7%
Debt instruments at amortised cost	580,799.4	656,048.6	(75,249.2)	(11.5%)
Interests in associates and joint ventures	10,514.8	14,358.0	(3,843.2)	(26.8%)
Investment properties	6,854.2	4,001.0	2,853.2	71.3%
Property and equipment	9,621.2	12,717.3	(3,096.1)	(24.3%)
Right-of-use assets	3,502.1	2,447.2	1,054.9	43.1%
Deferred tax assets	15,612.5	14,423.9	1,188.6	8.2%
Goodwill	323.0	323.0	—	0.0%
Assets held for sale	7,301.6	—	7,301.6	100.0%
Other assets	23,809.4	24,742.2	(932.8)	(3.8%)
Total assets	<u>1,568,421.8</u>	<u>1,641,467.0</u>	<u>(73,045.2)</u>	<u>(4.4%)</u>
Borrowings from central bank	23,147.6	23,182.8	(35.2)	(0.2%)
Deposits from financial institutions	13,656.3	8,924.1	4,732.2	53.0%
Placements from financial institutions	4,784.2	4,679.3	104.9	2.2%
Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements	30,866.2	15,547.4	15,318.8	98.5%
Borrowings	747,625.5	778,423.8	(30,798.3)	(4.0%)
Financial liabilities as at FVTPL	683.7	3,301.5	(2,617.8)	(79.3%)
Due to customers	257,208.9	250,827.2	6,381.7	2.5%
Tax payable	1,388.6	1,283.9	104.7	8.2%
Contract liabilities	401.2	649.1	(247.9)	(38.2%)
Lease liabilities	2,049.5	919.8	1,129.7	122.8%

	As at December 31,			Change in percentage
	2021	2020	Change	
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Deferred tax liabilities	341.6	408.8	(67.2)	(16.4%)
Bonds and notes issued	271,065.2	336,971.8	(65,906.6)	(19.6%)
Liabilities directly associated with the assets held for sale	1,740.3	—	1,740.3	100.0%
Other liabilities	109,478.6	152,090.6	(42,612.0)	(28.0%)
Total liabilities	1,464,437.4	1,577,210.1	(112,772.7)	(7.2%)
Share capital	80,246.7	39,070.2	41,176.5	105.4%
Capital reserve	16,431.8	17,241.5	(809.7)	(4.7%)
Surplus reserve	8,564.2	8,564.2	—	—
General reserve	17,888.6	17,842.1	46.5	0.3%
Other reserves	3,906.6	3,413.2	493.4	14.5%
Accumulated losses	(67,694.0)	(67,976.5)	282.5	(0.4%)
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company	59,343.9	18,154.7	41,189.2	226.9%
Perpetual capital instruments	22,377.9	25,475.9	(3,098.0)	(12.2%)
Non-controlling interests	22,262.6	20,626.3	1,636.3	7.9%
Total equity	103,984.4	64,256.9	39,727.5	61.8%
Total equity and liabilities	1,568,421.8	1,641,467.0	(73,045.2)	(4.4%)

9.2.2.1 Assets

As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the total assets of the Group amounted to RMB1,641,467.0 million and RMB1,568,421.8 million, respectively. As at December 31, 2021, the Group's major assets consist of: (i) deposits with financial institutions; (ii) financial assets at FVTPL; (iii) loans and advances to customers; (iv) finance lease receivables; (v) debt instruments at FVTOCI; and (vi) debt instruments at amortised cost.

9.2.2.1.1 Deposits with financial institutions

As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the Group's deposits with financial institutions amounted to RMB123,875.0 million and RMB146,698.3 million, respectively, representing an increase of 18.4%.

9.2.2.1.2 Financial assets at FVTPL

The Group's financial assets that fail to meet the classification standards to be classified as debt instruments at amortised cost or at FVTOCI, or equity instruments at FVTOCI shall be classified as financial assets at FVTPL.

The table below sets forth the major components of the Group's financial assets at FVTPL as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31,			Change in percentage
	2021	2020	Change	
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Distressed debt assets	182,087.2	189,056.7	(6,969.5)	(3.7%)
Equity instruments				
— Listed	39,630.7	41,392.7	(1,762.0)	(4.3%)
— Unlisted	21,532.5	22,128.1	(595.6)	(2.7%)
Funds	49,095.2	38,657.0	10,438.2	27.0%
Debt securities				
— Corporate bonds	12,807.9	12,665.9	142.0	1.1%
— Government bonds	3,377.5	586.8	2,790.7	475.6%
— Financial institution bonds	423.4	948.5	(525.1)	(55.4%)
— Public sector and quasi-government bonds	94.5	90.3	4.2	4.7%
Trust products	11,682.3	11,733.7	(51.4)	(0.4%)
Asset management plans	7,864.1	10,216.3	(2,352.2)	(23.0%)
Derivatives and structured products	6,348.1	6,545.9	(197.8)	(3.0%)
Wealth management products	5,655.0	10,023.6	(4,368.6)	(43.6%)
Convertible bonds	2,189.6	3,236.2	(1,046.6)	(32.3%)
Entrusted loans	884.3	2,381.4	(1,497.1)	(62.9%)
Negotiable certificates of deposit	378.3	4,333.9	(3,955.6)	(91.3%)
Asset-backed securities	147.6	299.6	(152.0)	(50.7%)
Other debt assets	6,849.5	5,143.4	1,706.1	33.2%
Total	351,047.7	359,440.0	(8,392.3)	(2.3%)

As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the financial assets at FVTPL of the Group amounted to RMB359,440.0 million and RMB351,047.7 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 2.3%.

Distressed debt assets at FVTPL are the Group's acquisition-and-disposal distressed debt assets. In 2021, the Group took multiple measures to accelerate the disposal turnover of the acquisition-and-disposal distressed debt assets. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the acquisition-and-disposal distressed debt assets amounted to RMB189,056.7 million and RMB182,087.2 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 3.7%.

Other financial assets at FVTPL include equity instruments, funds, debt securities, trust products, asset management plans, etc. (i) The Group continuously reduced the scale of assets in 2021. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the aggregate amount of wealth management products, negotiable certificates of deposit, asset management plans and equity instruments amounted to RMB88,094.6 million and RMB75,060.6 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 14.8%. (ii) As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the value of funds amounted to RMB38,657.0 million and RMB49,095.2 million, respectively, representing an increase of 27.0%.

9.2.2.1.3 Loans and advances to customers

The table below sets forth the major components of loans and advances to customers of the Group as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31,			Change in
	2021	2020	Change	percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Loans and advances to customers measured at amortised cost				
Corporate loans and advances	125,058.6	124,036.8	1,021.8	0.8%
Personal loans and advances				
— Mortgages	37,562.8	31,664.9	5,897.9	18.6%
— Personal consumption loans	33,715.2	35,059.3	(1,344.1)	(3.8%)
— Loans for business operations	17,595.5	28,671.0	(11,075.5)	(38.6%)
— Others	2.2	2,480.7	(2,478.5)	(99.9%)
Subtotal	88,875.7	97,875.9	(9,000.2)	(9.2%)
Loans to margin clients	4,463.6	4,091.2	372.4	9.1%
Gross loans and advances to customers measured at amortised cost	218,397.9	226,003.9	(7,606.0)	(3.4%)
Less: Allowance for ECL				
— 12-month ECL	(1,073.8)	(2,012.9)	939.1	(46.7%)
— Lifetime ECL	(7,034.9)	(5,653.2)	(1,381.7)	24.4%
Subtotal	(8,108.7)	(7,666.1)	(442.6)	5.8%
Net loans and advances to customers measured at amortised cost	210,289.2	218,337.8	(8,048.6)	(3.7%)
Loans and advances measured at FVTOCI				
— Discounted bills	36,874.8	14,162.4	22,712.4	160.4%
Net loans and advances to customers	247,164.0	232,500.2	14,663.8	6.3%

Loans and advances to customers mainly derive from Huarong Xiangjiang Bank. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the loans and advances to customers of the Group amounted to RMB232,500.2 million and RMB247,164.0 million, respectively, representing an increase of 6.3%.

As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, based on the ECL model, the Group's balances of impairment allowance made for loans and advances to customers at amortised cost amounted to RMB7,666.1 million and RMB8,108.7 million, respectively, representing an increase of 5.8%.

9.2.2.1.4 Finance lease receivables

The table below sets forth the major components of finance lease receivables of the Group as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31,			Change in percentage
	2021	2020	Change	
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Minimum finance lease receivables				
Within 1 year (inclusive)	13,023.3	21,520.6	(8,497.3)	(39.5%)
1 year to 2 years (inclusive)	7,299.2	12,370.9	(5,071.7)	(41.0%)
2 year to 3 years (inclusive)	3,533.1	7,212.9	(3,679.8)	(51.0%)
3 year to 4 years (inclusive)	3,083.7	2,575.9	507.8	19.7%
4 year to 5 years (inclusive)	1,304.5	1,682.3	(377.8)	(22.5%)
Over 5 years	1,647.4	2,803.5	(1,156.1)	(41.2%)
Gross amount of finance lease receivables	29,891.2	48,166.1	(18,274.9)	(37.9%)
Less: Unearned finance income	(3,615.6)	(5,469.7)	1,854.1	(33.9%)
Net amount of finance lease receivables	26,275.6	42,696.4	(16,420.8)	(38.5%)
Less: Allowance for ECL				
— 12-month ECL	(190.7)	(296.6)	105.9	(35.7%)
— Lifetime ECL	(2,530.8)	(2,603.1)	72.3	(2.8%)
Subtotal	(2,721.5)	(2,899.7)	178.2	(6.1%)
Carrying amount of finance lease receivables	23,554.1	39,796.7	(16,242.6)	(40.8%)
Present value of minimum finance lease receivables:				
Within 1 year (inclusive)	11,490.2	19,076.3	(7,586.1)	(39.8%)
1 year to 2 years (inclusive)	6,399.8	10,983.5	(4,583.7)	(41.7%)
2 year to 3 years (inclusive)	3,096.4	6,386.8	(3,290.4)	(51.5%)
3 year to 4 years (inclusive)	2,702.4	2,279.5	422.9	18.6%
4 year to 5 years (inclusive)	1,143.1	1,489.0	(345.9)	(23.2%)
Over 5 years	1,443.7	2,481.3	(1,037.6)	(41.8%)
Total	26,275.6	42,696.4	(16,420.8)	(38.5%)

Finance lease receivables mainly derive from Huarong Financial Leasing. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the Group's net amount of finance lease receivables amounted to RMB42,696.4 million and RMB26,275.6 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 38.5%. On the one hand, the decrease was due to the application of IFRS 16 by the Group on January 1, 2019. The sale and leaseback business entered into before the implementation of this standard was accounted for in this item, while according to IFRS 9, the sale and leaseback business entered into thereafter is recognized as financing arrangement and included in debt instruments at amortised. On the other hand, due to the industry trend and liquidity demand, lessees tended to adopt the sale and leaseback method rather than the finance lease method to carry out business. Therefore, the scale of finance lease receivables has been decreasing year by year.

As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the Group's balances of impairment allowance made for finance lease receivables based on the ECL model were RMB2,899.7 million and RMB2,721.5 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 6.1%.

9.2.2.1.5 Debt instruments at FVTOCI

Debt instruments at FVTOCI are debt instruments held by the Group that meet the following conditions: (1) the debt instruments are held within a business model whose objectives are both collecting contractual cash flows and selling; and (2) the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

The table below sets forth the major components of debt instruments at FVTOCI of the Group as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31,			Change in percentage
	2021	2020	Change	
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Distressed debt assets	23,031.0	36,654.3	(13,623.3)	(37.2%)
Debt securities				
— Corporate bonds	12,992.6	23,285.8	(10,293.2)	(44.2%)
— Government bonds	10,500.6	6,783.0	3,717.6	54.8%
— Financial institution bonds	2,642.5	5,434.2	(2,791.7)	(51.4%)
— Public sector and quasi-government bonds	1,752.3	2,084.9	(332.6)	(16.0%)
Asset management plans	2,794.9	3,022.4	(227.5)	(7.5%)
Entrusted loans	2,409.4	2,758.4	(349.0)	(12.7%)
Debt instruments	963.4	2,213.5	(1,250.1)	(56.5%)
Trust products	90.6	277.5	(186.9)	(67.4%)
Asset-backed securities	26.3	592.8	(566.5)	(95.6%)
Total	57,203.6	83,106.8	(25,903.2)	(31.2%)

As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the Group's debt instruments at FVTOCI were RMB83,106.8 million and RMB57,203.6 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 31.2%.

The distressed debt assets at FVTOCI were acquisition-and-restructuring distressed debt assets of the Group. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the distressed debt assets at FVTOCI amounted to RMB36,654.3 million and RMB23,031.0 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 37.2%.

Other debt instruments at FVTOCI included various bonds, asset management plans, entrusted loans and debt instruments invested by the Group. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, other debt instruments at FVTOCI amounted to RMB46,452.5 million and RMB34,172.6 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 26.4%, mainly because: (i) the financial subsidiaries adjusted their asset allocation strategies to reduce investment in bonds; (ii) the Group continued to reduce the non-core and non-advantageous business, resulting in a decrease in the balance of the assets such as debt instruments, asset-backed securities and entrusted loans.

Debt instruments at FVTOCI are measured at fair value in the financial statements, and the allowance for impairment thereof is recognised in other comprehensive income ("OCI") and accumulated under the heading of investment revaluation reserve, while the allowance for impairment is recognised in profit or loss with corresponding adjustments to OCI without reducing the carrying amounts of these debt instruments. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the allowance for impairment for debt instruments at FVTOCI presented under the investment revaluation reserve amounted to RMB11,220.1 million and RMB11,199.5 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 0.2%.

9.2.2.1.6 Debt instruments at amortised cost

Debt instruments at amortised cost are debt instruments held by the Group that meet the following conditions: (1) the debt instruments are held within a business model whose objective is to collect contractual cash flows; and (2) the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

The table below sets forth the components of debt instruments at amortised cost of the Group as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31,			
	2021	2020	Change	Change in percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Distressed debt assets				
Loans acquired from financial institutions	31,957.1	30,726.5	1,230.6	4.0%
Other debt assets acquired from non-financial institutions	277,866.3	326,469.8	(48,603.5)	(14.9%)
Subtotal	309,823.4	357,196.3	(47,372.9)	(13.3%)
Less: Allowance for ECL				
— 12-month ECL	(2,820.3)	(3,543.7)	723.4	(20.4%)
— Lifetime ECL	(37,679.7)	(37,353.0)	(326.7)	0.9%
Subtotal	(40,500.0)	(40,896.7)	396.7	(1.0%)
Carrying amount of distressed debt assets	269,323.4	316,299.6	(46,976.2)	(14.9%)
Other debt assets				
Debt instruments	112,163.6	110,856.8	1,306.8	1.2%
Debt securities	94,677.2	96,867.6	(2,190.4)	(2.3%)
Receivables arising from sales and leaseback arrangements	69,336.4	70,362.6	(1,026.2)	(1.5%)
Trust products	56,594.6	74,562.6	(17,968.0)	(24.1%)
Entrusted loans	53,845.6	66,186.5	(12,340.9)	(18.6%)
Asset management plans	7,024.5	8,331.8	(1,307.3)	(15.7%)
Asset-backed securities	1,603.6	2,782.1	(1,178.5)	(42.4%)
Others	2,199.0	1,936.2	262.8	13.6%
Subtotal	397,444.5	431,886.2	(34,441.7)	(8.0%)
Less: Allowance for ECL				
— 12-month ECL	(1,232.4)	(1,343.5)	111.1	(8.3%)
— Lifetime ECL	(84,736.1)	(90,793.7)	6,057.6	(6.7%)
Subtotal	(85,968.5)	(92,137.2)	6,168.7	(6.7%)
Carrying amount of other debt assets	311,476.0	339,749.0	(28,273.0)	(8.3%)
Total	580,799.4	656,048.6	(75,249.2)	(11.5%)

As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the Group's debt instruments at amortised cost were RMB656,048.6 million and RMB580,799.4 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 11.5%.

The Group's acquisition-and-restructuring distressed debt assets are presented in debt instruments at amortised cost and debt instruments at FVTOCI. In 2021, the Group continuously optimized business structure for acquisition-and-restructuring distressed debt assets, and actively reduced non-financial real estate related business, with asset size and income decreasing amid stability. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the Group's total distressed debt assets at amortised cost and distressed debt assets at FVTOCI amounted to RMB352,953.9 million and RMB292,354.4 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 17.2%.

Other debt instruments at amortised cost included debt instruments, bonds, receivables arising from sales and leaseback arrangements, trust products, entrusted loans invested by the Group as well as asset management plans. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the Group's other debt instruments at amortised cost amounted to RMB339,749.0 million and RMB311,476.0 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 8.3%, mainly because: (i) the financial subsidiaries adjusted their asset allocation strategies to reduce investment in the trust products; (ii) the Group continued to reduce the non-core and non-advantageous business, resulted in a decrease in the balance of entrusted loans, etc..

9.2.2.2 Liabilities

The major components of the Group's liabilities include: (i) borrowings, including those from banks and other financial institutions; (ii) due to customers; (iii) bonds and notes issued; and (iv) other liabilities.

9.2.2.2.1 Borrowings

As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the balance of borrowings of the Group amounted to RMB778,423.8 million and RMB747,625.5 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 4.0% and the borrowing scale remained basically stable.

9.2.2.2.2 Due to customers

The table below sets forth the components of due to customers of the Group as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31,			Change in
	2021	2020	Change	percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Demand deposits				
Corporate customers	78,644.3	76,769.4	1,874.9	2.4%
Individual customers	23,583.6	23,510.5	73.1	0.3%
Time deposits				
Corporate customers	66,441.8	68,018.8	(1,577.0)	(2.3%)
Individual customers	61,901.9	64,490.7	(2,588.8)	(4.0%)
Pledged deposits	8,271.1	7,408.9	862.2	11.6%
Others	18,366.2	10,628.9	7,737.3	72.8%
Total	<u>257,208.9</u>	<u>250,827.2</u>	<u>6,381.7</u>	<u>2.5%</u>

Due to customers mainly derives from Huarong Xiangjiang Bank. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the balance of due to customers of the Group amounted to RMB250,827.2 million and RMB257,208.9 million, respectively, representing an increase of 2.5%.

9.2.2.2.3 Bonds and notes issued

The Group repaid the bonds and notes issued in due time. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the balance of the bonds and notes issued amounted to RMB336,971.8 million and RMB271,065.2 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 19.6%.

9.2.3 Contingent Liabilities

Due to the nature of business, the Group is involved in certain legal proceedings in the normal business operations, including litigation and arbitration. The Group makes provision, in proper time for the probable losses with respect to those claims when the senior management can reasonably estimate the outcome of the proceedings, in light of the legal opinions. The Group does not make provision for pending litigation when the outcome of the litigation cannot be reasonably estimated or when the senior management believes that the probability of assuming legal liability is remote or that any legal liability incurred will not have a material adverse effect on its financial condition or operating results.

As at December 31, 2021, total claim amount of pending litigations was RMB6,037 million (December 31, 2020: RMB610 million) for the Group (as defendant). The Group made provision for estimated liabilities, which amounted to RMB70 million (December 31, 2020: nil) based on court judgments and lawyer's opinions. The Company believes that the final result of these legal proceedings will not have a material impact on the financial position or operations of the Group.

9.2.4 Difference between Financial Statements Prepared under the PRC GAAP and IFRSs

There is no difference in net profit and Shareholders' equity for the Reporting Period between the consolidated financial statements prepared by the Company under the PRC GAAP and IFRSs.

9.3 Business Overview

The Group's business segments are comprised of (i) distressed asset management segment; (ii) financial services segment; and (iii) asset management and investment segment.

The following table sets forth the total income and profit before tax from each of business segments of the Group's continuing operations for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021		2020	
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
Continuing operations				
Total income				
Distressed asset management segment	51,747.6	55.6%	60,369.8	80.1%
Financial services segment	31,438.1	33.8%	32,185.8	42.7%
Asset management and investment segment	14,378.5	15.4%	(11,500.0)	(15.3%)
Inter-segment elimination	(4,497.3)	(4.8%)	(5,650.5)	(7.5%)
Total	<u>93,066.9</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>75,405.1</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
Profit/(loss) before tax				
Distressed asset management segment	7,206.3	104.5%	(20,383.8)	19.8%
Financial services segment	6,040.9	87.5%	(2,440.6)	2.4%
Asset management and investment segment	(5,243.8)	(76.0%)	(77,902.6)	75.7%
Inter-segment elimination	(1,104.9)	(16.0%)	(2,153.5)	2.1%
Total	<u>6,898.5</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>(102,880.5)</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

In 2021, total income from continuing operations of the Group's distressed asset management segment, financial services segment and asset management and investment segment was RMB51,747.6 million, RMB31,438.1 million and RMB14,378.5 million, respectively. Profit before tax from continuing operations was RMB7,206.3 million, RMB6,040.9 million and RMB-5,243.8 million, respectively.

9.3.1 Distressed Asset Management

The Group's distressed asset management business is mainly comprised of: (i) distressed debt asset management business of the Company; (ii) policy-oriented debt-to-equity swap business through commercial buyout of the Company; (iii) market-oriented debt-to-equity swap business; (iv) distressed debt asset management business conducted by our subsidiaries; (v) distressed asset-based special situations investments business conducted by our subsidiaries; and (vi) distressed asset-based property development business conducted by our subsidiaries.

Distressed asset management business is the core business of the Group and the primary source of income and profit of the Group. In 2021, the Group, on the one hand, deepened the excavation of value, strengthened the construction of disposal channel, refined and implemented disposal strategies to dispose the distressed assets in a diversified manner, revitalized existing assets by multiple means, and enhanced the quality and effectiveness of services to the real economy. On the other hand, the Group optimized its deployment of incremental assets and continued to transform itself into a resource integrator, integrated solution coordinator and value investor in the “Great distressed assets” industry to establish an ecosystem of industry chain in the “Great distressed assets” industry.

In 2021, total assets from the distressed asset management segment were RMB802,135.8 million, accounting for 51.9% of the total assets of the Group’s segments; total income from continuing operations was RMB51,747.6 million, accounting for 55.6% of the Group’s total income from continuing operations, and profit before tax from continuing operations was RMB7,206.3 million, accounting for 104.5% of the profit before tax from continuing operations of the Group.

The table below sets forth key financial data of the distressed asset management segment of the Group as at the dates and for the years indicated.

	As at or for the year ended	
	December 31,	
	2021	2020
	<i>(in millions of RMB)</i>	
Distressed debt asset management business of the Company		
Gross amount of distressed debt assets ⁽¹⁾	490,820.4	551,409.6
Less: Allowance for impairment losses for distressed debt assets ⁽²⁾	33,297.5	33,016.1
Net carrying amount of distressed debt assets	462,926.6	524,657.8
Acquisition cost of newly added distressed debt assets	86,902.2	196,177.3
Total income from distressed debt assets		
Operating income from distressed debt assets ⁽³⁾	34,522.4	40,604.2
Financial advisory income from acquisition-and-restructuring business	5.0	10.7
Total	34,527.4	40,614.9
Policy-based DES business through commercial buyout of the Company		
Carrying amount of DES Assets	12,995.0	14,628.6
Dividend income from DES Assets	198.5	110.7
Acquisition cost of DES Assets disposed	1,302.1	3,294.3
Net gains from the disposal of DES Assets	772.7	879.5
Market-oriented DES business⁽⁴⁾		
Total cumulative investment in market-oriented DES business	35,851.3	34,188.5
Income from market-oriented DES business ⁽⁵⁾	5,889.8	1,859.7

As at or for the year ended
December 31,
2021 2020
(in millions of RMB)

Distressed debt asset management business conducted by our subsidiaries

Income from distressed debt assets	84.4	241.0
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Distressed asset-based special situations investments business conducted by our subsidiaries⁽⁶⁾

Income from Huarong Rongde	1,290.2	1,866.4
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Distressed asset-based property development business conducted by our subsidiaries

Income from property sales and primary land development of Huarong Industrial	680.3	2,317.5
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- (1) Gross amount of distressed debt assets equals the sum of the Company's (i) distressed debt assets presented under financial assets at FVTPL (acquisition-and-disposal model); and (ii) balance of distressed debt assets presented under debt instruments at amortised costs and at FVTOCI (acquisition-and-restructuring model), as shown in the consolidated financial statements.
- (2) Allowance for impairment losses for distressed debt assets equals the Company's allowance for impairment losses for distressed debt assets presented under debt instruments at amortised costs and at FVTOCI, as shown in the consolidated financial statements, of which, the allowance for impairment losses for distressed debt assets is presented under the debt instruments at FVTOCI as a part of the investment revaluation reserve, which has no effect on the net carrying amount of distressed debt assets.
- (3) Operating income from distressed debt assets equals the sum of the Company's (i) fair value changes on distressed debt assets (acquisition-and-disposal model); and (ii) income from distressed debt assets (acquisition-and-restructuring model), as shown in the consolidated financial statements.
- (4) Market-oriented debt-to-equity swap is primarily conducted by the Company and Huarong Ruitong Equity Investment Management Co., Ltd. ("Huarong Ruitong") and other subsidiaries.
- (5) Income from market-oriented debt-to-equity swap includes realized income and unrealized income arising from market-oriented debt-to-equity swap business.
- (6) Distressed asset-based special situations investments business conducted by our subsidiaries was primarily conducted by Huarong Rongde and other subsidiaries.

9.3.1.1 Distressed debt asset management business of the Company

The Company acquires distressed debt assets from financial institutions and non-financial enterprises through competitive biddings, public auctions, blind auctions or negotiated acquisitions. Based on the characteristics of distressed debt assets and the operational and financial performance, the conditions of the collaterals and pledges as well as the credit risks of the debtors, the Company revitalized problematic enterprises and assets through asset restructuring, debt restructuring, management restructuring, asset transfer, additional investment in distressed assets, financial consultancy, entrusted management and other business means to obtains cash proceeds or assets with operational value. The Company primarily finances its acquisition of distressed debt assets through its own fund, commercial bank borrowings and bond issuances.

9.3.1.1.1 Sources for acquisition of distressed debt assets

Classified by the source of acquisition, the Company's distressed debt assets mainly include: (i) distressed assets acquired from financial institutions ("FI Distressed Assets"); and (ii) distressed assets from non-financial enterprises ("NFE Distressed Assets").

The table below sets forth key financial data of distressed debt assets of the Company by source of acquisition as at the dates and for the years indicated.

	As at or for the year ended December 31,			
	2021		2020	
	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Acquisition cost of newly added distressed debt assets				
FI Distressed Assets	35,900.9	41.3%	60,687.2	30.9%
NFE Distressed Assets	51,001.3	58.7%	135,490.1	69.1%
Total	86,902.2	100.0%	196,177.3	100.0%
Gross amount of distressed debt assets at the end of the period⁽¹⁾				
FI Distressed Assets	194,841.8	39.7%	194,181.0	35.2%
NFE Distressed Assets	295,978.6	60.3%	357,228.6	64.8%
Total	490,820.4	100.0%	551,409.6	100.0%
Operating income from distressed debt assets for the period⁽²⁾				
FI Distressed Assets	8,943.3	25.9%	8,989.9	22.1%
NFE Distressed Assets	25,579.1	74.1%	31,614.3	77.9%
Total	34,522.4	100.0%	40,604.2	100.0%

(1) Gross amount of distressed debt assets equals the sum of the Company's (i) distressed debt assets presented under financial assets at FVTPL (acquisition-and-disposal model) and (ii) balance of distressed debt assets presented under debt instruments at amortised cost and at FVTOCI (acquisition-and-restructuring model), as shown in the consolidated financial statements.

(2) Operating income from distressed debt assets equals the sum of the Company's (i) fair value changes on distressed debt assets (acquisition-and-disposal model) and (ii) income from distressed debt assets (acquisition-and-restructuring model), as shown in the consolidated financial statements.

9.3.1.1.1.1 FI Distressed Assets

The FI Distressed Assets acquired by the Company primarily include NPLs and other distressed debt assets sold from large commercial banks, joint stock commercial banks, city and rural commercial banks and non-banking financial institutions.

The table below sets forth a breakdown of our FI Distressed Assets acquired from each type of financial institution based on acquisition costs for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021		2020	
	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Banking				
Large commercial banks	7,925.2	22.1%	15,183.3	25.0%
Joint stock commercial banks	14,555.4	40.6%	20,561.4	33.9%
City and rural commercial banks	2,552.5	7.1%	2,246.9	3.7%
Other banks	296.3	0.8%	6,746.3	11.1%
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Subtotal	25,329.4	70.6%	44,737.9	73.7%
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Non-banking financial institutions	10,571.5	29.4%	15,949.3	26.3%
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Total	35,900.9	100.00%	60,687.2	100.0%
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9.3.1.1.1.2 NFE Distressed Assets

The NFE Distressed Assets currently acquired by the Company mainly include accounts receivable and other distressed debts of NFEs. These distressed debt assets include: (i) overdue receivables; (ii) receivables expected to be overdue; and (iii) receivables from debtors with liquidity issues.

9.3.1.1.2 Business models of distressed debt asset

Categorizing by business model, the Company's distressed debt asset management business can be classified into the acquisition-and-disposal model and the acquisition-and-restructuring model.

The table below sets forth the breakdown of the Company's distressed debt asset management business by business model for as at the dates and for the years indicated.

	As at or for the year ended December 31,			
	2021		2020	
	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Acquisition cost of newly added distressed debt assets				
Acquisition-and-disposal	28,957.7	33.3%	53,757.1	27.4%
Acquisition-and-restructuring	57,944.5	66.7%	142,420.2	72.6%
Total	86,902.2	100.0%	196,177.3	100.0%
Gross amount of distressed debt assets at the end of the period				
Acquisition-and-disposal ⁽¹⁾	179,934.8	36.7%	186,785.5	33.9%
Acquisition-and-restructuring ⁽²⁾	310,885.6	63.3%	364,624.1	66.1%
Total	490,820.4	100.0%	551,409.6	100.0%
Income from distressed debt assets for the period				
Acquisition-and-disposal ⁽³⁾	6,561.8	19.0%	6,803.4	16.8%
Acquisition-and-restructuring ⁽⁴⁾	27,965.6	81.0%	33,811.5	83.2%
Total	34,527.4	100.0%	40,614.9	100.0%

(1) The gross amount of acquisition-and-disposal distressed debt assets is the amount of the Company's distressed debt assets presented under financial assets at FVTPL, as shown in the consolidated financial statements.

(2) The gross amount of acquisition-and-restructuring distressed debt assets is the sum of the Company's balances of distressed debt assets presented under debt instruments at amortised cost and at FVTOCI, as shown in the consolidated financial statements.

(3) The income from acquisition-and-disposal distressed debt assets is the Company's fair value changes on distressed debt assets, as shown in the consolidated financial statements.

(4) The income from acquisition-and-restructuring distressed debt assets is the sum of the Company's income from distressed debt assets and financial advisory income from acquisition-and-restructuring model presented under commission and fee income, as shown in the consolidated financial statements.

9.3.1.1.2.1 Acquisition-and-disposal model

As a major participant of the primary market and an important participant and supplier of the secondary market for distressed debt assets, the Company acquires distressed assets packages in batches from bank-based distressed asset market through public bidding or negotiated transfers. To maximize the recovery value of the distressed assets, the Company chooses different disposal methods for these assets based on the comprehensive assessment of the characteristics of the distressed assets, the conditions of the debtors and the conditions of the collaterals and pledges. Disposal methods include: interim participation in operations, asset restructuring, debt-to-equity swaps, individual transfer, package-and-transfer, discounted collection from debtors, liquidation, regular collection, collection through litigation, receipts of other assets in satisfaction of debts and debt restructuring. As a professional distressed asset management company, the Company's core competitive advantage under the acquisition-and-disposal model is our ability to professionally price and dispose the distressed assets, which has been accumulated from the long-term market operation, as well as the abilities to integrate distressed asset resources and value enhancement relying on the long-term established upstream and downstream ecosystem.

The Company continued to comprehensively promote the transformation of its acquisition-and-disposal distressed assets model to initiative acquisition, diversified disposal and refined management, increased acquisition efforts, expanded acquisition scope and improved the efficiency of assets turnover, thereby achieving stable growth in disposal proceeds. As at December 31, 2021, the gross amount of acquisition-and-disposal distressed debt assets of the Company amounted to RMB179,934.8 million, representing a decrease of 3.7% from December 31, 2020. In 2021, the Company's acquisition cost of newly added acquisition-and-disposal distressed debt assets amounted to RMB28,957.7 million and the gross amount of disposal distressed debt assets amounted to RMB33,958.4 million; the realized gains increased by 16.2% from RMB7,239.8 million in 2020 to RMB8,411.8 million in 2021; the unrealized fair value changes amounted to RMB-1,850.0 million.

The table below sets forth certain details of the general operation of the acquisition-and-disposal model of the Company as at the dates and for the years indicated.

	As at or for the year ended	
	December 31,	
	2021	2020
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>	
Gross amount of distressed debt assets at the beginning of the period	186,785.5	172,403.3
Acquisition cost of newly added distressed debt assets	28,957.7	53,757.1
Gross amount of distressed debt assets disposed	33,958.4	38,938.5
Gross amount of distressed debt assets at the end of the period ⁽¹⁾	179,934.8	186,785.5
Net gains or losses from distressed debt assets ⁽²⁾		
Realized gain	8,411.8	7,239.8
Unrealized fair value changes	(1,850.0)	(436.4)
Total	6,561.8	6,803.4
IRR on completed projects ⁽³⁾	12.4%	13.7%

(1) Gross amount of distressed debt assets as at the end of the period is the gross amount of the Company's distressed debt assets presented under financial assets at FVTPL, as shown in the consolidated statements.

(2) Net gain or loss from distressed debt assets is the Company's fair value changes on distressed debt assets, as shown in the consolidated financial statements.

(3) IRR on completed projects is the discount rate that makes the net present value of all cash inflows and outflows from all the acquisition-and-disposal projects completed in the current period from the time of acquisition to the time of disposal equal to zero.

The table below sets forth a breakdown of the gross amount of the Company's acquisition-and-disposal distressed debt assets by the geographic location of the sources of acquisitions of asset packages as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31, 2021		As at December 31, 2020	
	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Yangtze River Delta ⁽¹⁾	40,930.3	22.8%	46,017.2	24.7%
Pearl River Delta ⁽²⁾	28,106.0	15.6%	26,991.9	14.5%
Bohai Rim Region ⁽³⁾	31,765.8	17.7%	29,766.6	15.9%
Central Region ⁽⁴⁾	23,623.7	13.1%	23,408.0	12.5%
Western Region ⁽⁵⁾	44,670.6	24.8%	46,587.5	24.9%
Northeastern Region ⁽⁶⁾	10,838.4	6.0%	14,014.3	7.5%
Total	179,934.8	100.0%	186,785.5	100.0%

(1) Yangtze River Delta is comprised of Shanghai, Jiangsu and Zhejiang.

(2) Pearl River Delta is comprised of Guangdong and Fujian.

(3) Bohai Rim Region is comprised of Beijing, Tianjin, Hebei and Shandong.

- (4) Central Region is comprised of Shanxi, Henan, Hubei, Hunan, Anhui, Jiangxi and Hainan.
- (5) Western Region is comprised of Chongqing, Sichuan, Guizhou, Yunnan, Guangxi, Shaanxi, Gansu, Qinghai, Ningxia, Xinjiang and Inner Mongolia.
- (6) Northeastern Region is comprised of Liaoning, Heilongjiang and Jilin.

The Company's acquisition-and-disposal distressed debt assets, actively focusing on national and regional development policies and expanding market in key areas, were mainly sourced from Yangtze River Delta, Western Region, Pearl River Delta, and Bohai Rim Region.

9.3.1.1.2.2 Acquisition-and-restructuring model

The Company's acquisition-and-restructuring business mainly includes liquidity support business and restructuring of problematic enterprises. In particular, liquidity support business means focusing on enterprises with temporary liquidity issues, the Company adopts personalized and professional customized restructuring approaches to restructure the debt elements, match the debtor's solvency with the conditions of the elements of the adjusted debts, shift elimination of credit risks, grant time and space for debt relief of enterprises, and help enterprises repair credit. Restructuring of troubled enterprises means focusing on enterprises suffering severe difficulty in finance or operation, the Company, alone or with other institutions, uses multiple methods to actually restructure and revitalize the assets, liabilities, equity, talents, technology, management and other elements of the enterprises, and build a new production and operation model, in order to help the enterprises get rid of operational and financial difficulties, restore production and operation capacity and solvency, and pursue restructuring premiums under the premise of risk control and achieve restructuring premiums with controlled risks. The Company's core competitive advantage under the acquisition-and-restructuring model is the ability to discover, reassess and enhance the overall value of the debts for the debtors through professional operating.

In 2021, the Company optimized the layout and made steady investments in its acquisition-and-restructuring business. The proportion of the restructuring business of problematic enterprises has increased, and major projects have been implemented in several innovative areas such as bankruptcy reorganization, bailout of difficulties for large entities, divestiture of the main and auxiliary industries of state-owned enterprises, and acquisition of defaulted bonds, giving full play to the financial rescue function, serving the transformation of China's new and old kinetic energy and the development of the real economy, and achieving remarkable results in business. As at December 31, 2021, the gross amount of distressed debt assets under the Company's acquisition-and-restructuring model amounted to RMB310,885.6 million, representing a decrease of 14.7% as compared with December 31, 2020. In 2021, the revenue from the distressed debt assets under the Company's acquisition-and-restructuring model amounted to RMB27,965.6 million, representing a decrease of 17.3% as compared with 2020.

The table below sets forth certain details of the general operation of the acquisition-and-restructuring model of the Company as at the dates and for the years indicated.

	As at or for the year ended	
	December 31,	
	2021	2020
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>	
Number of new projects (quantity)	207	476
Number of existing projects as of the end of the period (quantity)	1,378	1,553
Gross amount of distressed debt assets ⁽¹⁾	310,885.6	364,624.1
Allowance for impairment losses ⁽²⁾	(33,297.5)	(33,016.1)
Net carrying amount of distressed debt assets ⁽³⁾	282,991.8	337,872.3
Acquisition cost of newly added distressed debt assets	57,944.5	142,420.2
Income from distressed debt assets		
Operating income from distressed debt assets ⁽⁴⁾	27,960.6	33,800.8
Financial advisory income	5.0	10.7
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Total	27,965.6	33,811.5
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Annualized return on monthly average gross amount of distressed debt assets (excluding financial advisory income) ⁽⁵⁾	9.6%	9.0%
Allowance to distressed debt assets ratio ⁽⁶⁾	10.7%	9.1%
Gross amount of stage 3 distressed debt assets ⁽⁷⁾	54,652.7	43,616.5
Allowance for impairment losses for stage 3 distressed debt assets ⁽⁸⁾	(25,756.7)	(24,233.0)
Distressed debt assets collateral ratio ⁽⁹⁾	44.3%	45.5%

(1) Gross amount of distressed debt assets is the sum of the Company's balances of distressed debt assets presented under debt instruments at amortised cost and at FVTOCI, as shown in the consolidated financial statements.

(2) Allowance for impairment losses equals the Company's allowance for impairment losses for distressed debt assets presented under debt instruments at amortised cost and at FVTOCI, as shown in the consolidated financial statements, of which, allowance for impairment losses for the distressed debt assets presented under debt instruments at FVTOCI is presented as a part of the investment revaluation reserve.

(3) Net carrying amount of distressed debt assets equals the gross amount of the Company's net amount of distressed debt assets presented under debt instruments at amortised costs and balance of distressed debt assets presented under debt instruments at FVTOCI.

(4) The operating income from distressed debt assets equals the Company's income from distressed debt assets, as shown in the consolidated financial statements.

(5) Annualized return on monthly average gross amount of distressed debt assets equals the operating income from distressed assets divided by the average gross amount of distressed assets at the end of each month of that year.

(6) Allowance to distressed debt assets ratio equals the allowance for impairment losses divided by the gross amount of distressed debt assets.

(7) Gross amount of stage 3 distressed debt assets is the balance of distressed debt assets which are classified as stage 3 based on the stage division model.

(8) Allowance for impairment losses for stage 3 distressed debt assets is the allowance for impairment losses for distressed debt assets which are classified as stage 3.

(9) Distressed debt assets collateral ratio equals the percentage of the total amount of collateralized distressed debt assets to the total appraised value of the collateral securing these assets.

The table below sets forth a breakdown of the Company's gross amount of acquisition-and-restructuring distressed debt assets by the geographic location of the debtors as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31, 2021		As at December 31, 2020	
	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Yangtze River Delta ⁽¹⁾	55,545.1	17.9%	62,005.5	17.0%
Pearl River Delta ⁽²⁾	51,031.9	16.4%	57,926.1	15.9%
Bohai Rim Region ⁽³⁾	41,856.1	13.5%	55,603.0	15.2%
Central Region ⁽⁴⁾	66,244.7	21.3%	76,868.9	21.1%
Western Region ⁽⁵⁾	79,970.2	25.7%	95,409.1	26.2%
Northeastern Region ⁽⁶⁾	16,237.6	5.2%	16,811.5	4.6%
Total	310,885.6	100.0%	364,624.1	100.0%

(1) Yangtze River Delta is comprised of Shanghai, Jiangsu and Zhejiang.

(2) Pearl River Delta is comprised of Guangdong and Fujian.

(3) Bohai Rim Region is comprised of Beijing, Tianjin, Hebei and Shandong.

(4) Central Region is comprised of Shanxi, Henan, Hubei, Hunan, Anhui, Jiangxi and Hainan.

(5) Western Region is comprised of Chongqing, Sichuan, Guizhou, Yunnan, Guangxi, Shaanxi, Gansu, Qinghai, Ningxia, Xinjiang, Inner Mongolia and Tibet.

(6) Northeastern Region is comprised of Liaoning, Heilongjiang and Jilin.

The table below sets forth a breakdown of the Company's gross amount of acquisition-and-restructuring distressed debt assets by the industrial composition of the ultimate debtors as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31, 2021		As at December 31, 2020	
	Total	Percentage	Total	Percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Real estate	144,089.0	46.3%	188,354.7	51.7%
Manufacturing	27,019.9	8.7%	32,298.3	8.9%
Leasing and commercial services	29,691.1	9.6%	31,726.2	8.7%
Construction	31,496.4	10.1%	29,100.3	8.0%
Water, environment and public utilities management	23,504.4	7.6%	25,622.7	7.0%
Mining	5,094.1	1.6%	6,119.2	1.7%
Transportation, logistics and postal services	1,898.0	0.6%	1,622.1	0.4%
Others	48,092.7	15.5%	49,780.6	13.6%
Total	310,885.6	100.0%	364,624.1	100.0%

The Company's gross amount of acquisition-and-restructuring distressed debt assets in the real estate sector decreased by 23.5% from RMB188,354.7 million as at December 31, 2020 to RMB144,089.0 million as at December 31, 2021, representing a proportion decrease from 51.7% as of December 31, 2020 to 46.3% as of December 31, 2021. On the one hand, the Company implemented regulatory requirements, took the initiative to reduce its non-financial real estate related business, and adjusted and optimized business structure. On the other hand, the Company resolutely implemented the deployment of Central Economic Work Conference, firmly adhered to the national position of "houses are for living in, not for speculation" and the policy direction of promoting the virtuous cycle and healthy development of the real estate, deeply involved in the structural reform of the real estate, actively promoted the transformation of the real estate related business. The Company focused on participating in the merger and reorganization of high-quality projects of problematic real estate companies, continuing the construction of unfinished real estate projects, assisting in the construction of affordable housing, supporting the "guaranteed delivery of housing" to people and other macro-policy support and encouragement, and businesses related to society and livelihood, improving incremental business layout, and initially constructing core business ecosphere.

9.3.1.2 Policy-based DES business through commercial buyout of the Company

The Company obtains DES Assets through debt-to-equity swaps, receipt of equities in satisfaction of debts and follow-on investments. The Company enhances the value of DES Assets by improving the business operations of the DES Companies. The Company exits from such investments primarily through asset swaps, merger and acquisition, restructuring and listing of DES Companies and realizes the appreciation of DES Assets. The Company's DES Assets are classified as shares of unlisted DES Companies (Unlisted DES Assets) and shares of listed DES Companies (Listed DES Assets). Specifically, for the unlisted DES assets, the Company implements classified management strategies and seizes market opportunities to accelerate disposal and exit; for the listed DES assets, the Company strengthens macro study and judgement and analysis of key industries and individual stocks to formulate holding reduction strategies on a case-by-case basis. As at December 31, 2021, the Company held Unlisted DES Assets in 105 DES Companies, with carrying amount of RMB9,234.9 million; and Listed DES Assets in 10 DES Companies, with carrying amount of RMB3,760.1 million.

The table below sets forth certain details of the DES Assets portfolio by category of listing condition as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31, 2021	As at December 31, 2020
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for number of companies)</i>	
Composition of existing DES Assets portfolio		
Number of DES companies	115	122
Unlisted	105	108
Listed	10	14
Carrying amount	12,995.0	14,628.6
Unlisted	9,234.9	9,630.9
Listed	3,760.1	4,997.7

In 2021, the Company's net gains on policy-based DES Assets disposed were RMB772.7 million, representing a decrease of 12.1% from 2020.

The table below sets forth certain details of our disposal of DES Assets as at the dates and for the years indicated.

	As at or for the year ended December 31,	
	2021	2020
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for number of companies)</i>	
Number of DES Companies disposed	7	29
Acquisition cost of DES Assets disposed	1,302.1	3,294.3
Net gains on DES Assets disposed	772.7	879.5
Exit multiple of DES Assets disposed ⁽¹⁾	1.6 times	1.3 times
Dividend income from DES Companies	198.5	110.7

(1) Exit multiple of DES Assets disposed equals the sum of the net gains on DES Assets disposed in the year and the acquisition costs of DES Assets disposed divided by the acquisition costs of the DES Assets disposed.

9.3.1.3 Market-oriented DES business

The Group conducts the market-oriented DES business through the Company and its subsidiaries including Huarong Ruitong. The Group's market-oriented DES business mainly includes the following three business models:

- (1) The model of “issuing shares for repaying debts”: By participating in the private placement of listed companies, the increased capital was used exclusively for the repayment of debts of the listed companies to increase the efficiency of DES implementation and effectively support the development of the real economy.
- (2) The model of “changing debt collection to equity”: The Group helped real enterprise clients ease liquidity problems and helped enterprises “de-leverage” by changing debt collection to equity.
- (3) The model of “offsetting debts with equity”: An enterprise helps real enterprises reduce debts and ease liquidity problems through debt restructuring, i.e., offsetting debts with high-quality equities including equity of listed companies.

The table below sets forth the accumulative investment for market-oriented DES business conducted by the Group as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31, 2021	As at December 31, 2020
	<i>(in millions of RMB)</i>	
Issuing shares for repaying debts	17,650.4	15,928.9
Changing debt collection to equity	7,952.0	11,800.0
Offsetting debts with equity	10,248.9	6,459.6
Total	<u>35,851.3</u>	<u>34,188.5</u>

In 2021, the Group proactively aligned with the major national strategies, integrated into the new development pattern, and optimized assets deployment. Focusing on new materials, high-end equipment manufacturing, new energy, electronic communications, big consumption and other industries, the Group actively and steadily developed its market-oriented DES business to serve the high-quality development of the real economy, which has achieved better economic income and social benefits against the backdrop of sustained rebound in the capital market. In 2020 and 2021, the Group's market-oriented DES business recorded an income of RMB1,859.7 million and RMB5,889.8 million, respectively, representing an increase of 216.7%.

9.3.1.4 Distressed debt asset management business conducted by our subsidiaries

The Group conducts distressed debt asset management business through Huarong Huitong Asset Management Co., Ltd. ("Huarong Huitong") and its subsidiaries. In 2020 and 2021, Huarong Huitong recorded an income of RMB241.0 million and RMB84.4 million from distressed debt assets, respectively.

9.3.1.5 Distressed asset-based special situations investment business conducted by our subsidiaries

The Group's distressed asset-based special situations investment business invests through debt, equity or mezzanine capital in assets with value appreciation potential and enterprises with short-term liquidity issues, which the Group has identified during the course of its distressed asset management business. Through debt restructuring, asset restructuring, business restructuring and management restructuring, the Group then improves the capital structure, management and operation of the enterprises, and exits and realizes asset appreciation income through debt collection, share transfers, share repurchases, listing and mergers and acquisitions. The Group primarily conducts our distressed asset-based special situations investment business through Huarong Rongde and other subsidiaries. In 2021, Huarong Rongde recorded a net loss of RMB661.6 million, primarily because the deterioration of operating and financial conditions of some real estate enterprise customers led to their reduced performance ability and Huarong Rongde recognized a large credit impairment loss in the current period.

The table below sets forth the basic operating information of Huarong Rongde as at the dates and for the years indicated.

	As at or for the year ended	
	December 31,	
	2021	2020
	<i>(in millions of RMB)</i>	
Total assets	23,256.9	24,356.5
Income	1,290.2	1,866.4
Net profit/(loss)	(661.6)	411.2

9.3.1.6 Distressed asset-based property development business conducted by our subsidiaries

The Group's distressed asset-based property development business restructures invests in and develops high quality property projects acquired in the course of its distressed asset management business and generates profits from appreciation of the related assets. Through its property development business, the Group discovers the value of existing property projects, provides liquidity to existing distressed assets, extends the value chain of distressed asset management, and further enhances the value of our distressed assets.

The Group conducts distressed asset-based property development business through Huarong Industrial. In 2020 and 2021, revenue from property development business of Huarong Industrial amounted to RMB2,317.5 million and RMB680.3 million, respectively.

9.3.2 Financial Services

The Group's financial services segment includes Huarong Securities, Huarong Financial Leasing and Huarong Xiangjiang Bank etc. Huarong Securities insisted on returning to its main business and continued to make efforts in investment banking, wealth and equity investment, turning loss into profits, and gradually recovering its profitability. Huarong Financial Leasing and Huarong Xiangjiang Bank strengthen precise docking of finance, continue to serve the working arrangement of the stability on the six fronts (namely, employment, financial sector, foreign trade, foreign and domestic investments, and market expectations) and security in the six areas (namely, employment, basic living needs, operations of market entities, food and energy security, stable industrial and supply chains, and the normal functioning of primary-level governments), improve the quality and efficiency of serving the real economy, and maintain the continuity, stability and sustainability of business operation. In 2021, the total income from the Group's continuing operations of financial services segment amounted to RMB31,438.1 million, remaining basically flat as compared with 2020.

In accordance with the requirements from regulatory authorities on financial asset management companies of gradual exit from the non-core businesses, the Company is orderly moving forward with the equity transfer of its financial license subsidiaries. As of the Last Practicable Date, the equity transfer proposal of Huarong Securities, Huarong Financial Leasing and Huarong Xiangjiang Bank and other subsidiaries has been considered by the Board and the general meeting of shareholders of the Company, and the transfer is being progressed in accordance with the procedures. In particular, on January 27, 2022, the Company entered into the State-owned Equity Transaction Contract with the independent third party, China Reform Capital Co., Ltd., to transfer 71.99% equity of Huarong Securities, with the transfer consideration of RMB10,933 million. On March 25, 2022, the first extraordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Company in 2022 considered and approved the disposal of the equity interests in Huarong Securities. After the Company completed the equity transfer of the subsidiaries with financial licenses, the business segments will be reclassified according to the actual situation.

The table below sets forth the key financial data of the business lines of our financial services segment as at the dates and for the years indicated.

	As at or for the year ended	
	December 31,	
	2021	2020
	<i>(in millions of RMB)</i>	
Securities and futures		
Total income	1,972.5	2,785.4
Profit before tax	139.4	(8,158.5)
Total assets	48,490.7	62,110.7
Total equity	10,102.6	3,885.5
Financial leasing business		
Total income	7,674.2	8,253.0
Profit before tax	1,973.9	2,046.5
Total assets	117,982.0	138,280.4
Total equity	18,240.9	16,648.2
Banking		
Total income	21,801.5	21,146.3
Profit before tax	3,926.4	3,671.5
Total assets	425,983.7	405,975.6
Total equity	33,075.3	31,002.3

9.3.2.1 Securities and futures business

The Group conducts securities and futures business through Huarong Securities and Huarong Futures. The Group's securities business mainly includes proprietary trading, securities brokerage and wealth management, investment banking and asset management businesses. The relevant financial data of Huarong Securities disclosed in this section are the consolidated data including its subsidiary, Huarong Futures. In 2020 and 2021, the total income of Huarong Securities amounted to RMB2,785.4 million and RMB1,972.5 million and the profit before tax amounted to RMB-8,158.5 million and RMB139.4 million, respectively.

The table below sets forth the components of the income of the Group's securities business in terms of business lines for the years indicated.

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2021		2020	
	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Proprietary trading	708.7	35.9%	1,275.7	45.8%
Securities brokerage and wealth management	905.9	45.9%	1,015.5	36.5%
Investment banking	223.4	11.3%	206.6	7.4%
Asset management business	63.9	3.2%	129.1	4.6%
Others	70.6	3.7%	158.5	5.7%
Total	1,972.5	100.0%	2,785.4	100.0%

9.3.2.2 Financial leasing business

The Group operates its financial leasing business through Huarong Financial Leasing. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the total assets of Huarong Financial Leasing amounted to RMB138,280.4 million and RMB117,982.0 million, respectively; in 2020 and 2021, the profit before tax of Huarong Financial Leasing was RMB2,046.5 million and RMB1,973.9 million, respectively. Both the operating results and management level of Huarong Financial Leasing have maintained the leading position in the industry.

The table below sets forth certain key indicators of Huarong Financial Leasing as at the dates and for the years indicated.

	As at or for the year ended December 31,	
	2021	2020
Profitability indicators		
ROAA ⁽¹⁾	1.2%	1.1%
ROAE ⁽²⁾	8.7%	9.5%
Asset quality indicators		
Distressed asset ratio ⁽³⁾	1.83%	1.53%
Provision coverage ratio ⁽⁴⁾	176.4%	185.4%
Capital adequacy indicators		
Core capital adequacy ratio ⁽⁵⁾	15.5%	12.0%
Capital adequacy ratio ⁽⁵⁾	16.6%	13.0%

(1) ROAA equals the net profit for the year divided by the average of total assets as of the beginning and the end of the period.

(2) ROAE equals the net profit attributable to shareholders for the year as a percentage of the average balance of shareholder's equity as of the beginning and the end of the period.

(3) Distressed asset ratio equals the balance of distressed assets divided by finance lease receivables. Distressed assets are defined as those initially recognized finance lease receivables which have objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events and such events have had an impact on the expected future cash flows of finance lease receivables that can be reliably estimated.

(4) Provision coverage ratio equals the balance of allowance for impairment losses divided by the balance of distressed assets.

(5) Disclosed by the means reported to CBIRC.

The business of Huarong Financial Leasing mainly involves water, environment and public utilities management, manufacturing, transportation, logistics, postal services and other industries.

The table below sets forth the components of the total amount of the finance lease receivables of Huarong Financial Leasing by industry as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31, 2021		As at December 31, 2020	
	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
	<i>(in millions of RMB, except for percentages)</i>			
Manufacturing	13,100.8	13.9%	16,584.5	14.8%
Water, environment and public utilities management	43,000.3	45.5%	48,247.7	43.1%
Transportation, logistics and postal services	8,684.6	9.2%	11,505.2	10.3%
Construction	4,785.3	5.1%	5,742.1	5.1%
Mining	1,161.2	1.2%	1,967.5	1.8%
Leasing and commercial services	7,748.7	8.2%	7,296.7	6.5%
Others	16,059.2	16.9%	20,552.9	18.4%
Total	94,540.1	100.0%	111,896.6	100.0%

(1) Due to implementation of New Lease Standards, some of the above finance lease receivables were presented under “debt instruments at amortized cost” on the consolidated financial statements.

9.3.2.3 Banking services business

The Group conducts its banking services business through Huarong Xiangjiang Bank. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the total assets of Huarong Xiangjiang Bank were RMB405,975.6 million and RMB425,983.7 million, respectively, with an increase of 4.9%. In 2020 and 2021, the profit before tax of Huarong Xiangjiang Bank was RMB3,671.5 million and RMB3,926.4 million, respectively, with an increase of 6.9%.

As at December 31, 2021, the non-performing loan ratio and provision coverage ratio of Huarong Xiangjiang Bank were 1.90% and 155.2%, respectively. Its core tier-1 capital adequacy ratio was 9.0% and its capital adequacy ratio was 13.4%, and all major businesses indicators of Huarong Xiangjiang Bank either satisfied or outperformed regulatory requirements.

The table below sets forth key indicators of Huarong Xiangjiang Bank as at the dates and for the years indicated.

	As at or for the year ended	
	December 31,	
	2021	2020
Profitability indicators		
ROAA ⁽¹⁾	0.7%	0.7%
ROAE ⁽²⁾	9.6%	10.4%
Asset quality indicators		
Non-performing loan ratio ⁽³⁾	1.90%	1.84%
Provision coverage ratio ⁽⁴⁾	155.2%	158.3%
Allowance to total loans ⁽⁵⁾	2.96%	2.92%
Capital adequacy indicators		
Core tier-1 capital adequacy ratio ⁽⁶⁾	9.0%	8.6%
Capital adequacy ratio ⁽⁶⁾	13.4%	13.1%

- (1) ROAA equals the net profit for the year divided by the average of total assets as of the beginning and the end of the period.
- (2) ROAE equals the net profit attributable to shareholders for the year as a percentage of the average balance of shareholder's equity as of the beginning and the end of the period.
- (3) Non-performing loan ratio equals the balance of non-performing loans divided by total loans and advances to customers.
- (4) Provision coverage ratio equals the balance of allowance for loan impairment losses divided by the balance of non-performing loans.
- (5) Allowance to total loans equals the balance of allowance for loan impairment losses divided by total loans and advances to customers.
- (6) Core tier-1 capital adequacy ratio and capital adequacy ratio are calculated according to CBIRC regulations.

9.3.3 Asset Management and Investment Business

In 2020 and 2021, the total income from continuing operations of asset management and investment segment was RMB-11,500.0 million and RMB14,378.5 million, accounting for -15.3% and 15.4% of the Group's total income, respectively.

The table below sets forth key financial data of the asset management and investment business as at the dates and for the years indicated.

	As at or for the year ended	
	December 31,	
	2021	2020
	<i>(in millions of RMB)</i>	
Trust business		
Outstanding trust funds	93,768.1	120,870.9
Total trust income	1,326.6	(2,288.0)
Including: trust commission and fee income	178.8	377.7
Profit/(loss) before tax from trust	792.7	(5,961.7)
International business		
Total assets	146,212.8	164,858.1
Total income	6,593.5	6,430.7
Profit/(loss) before tax	(2,062.4)	(4,778.6)

9.3.3.1 Trust business

The Group is engaged in trust business through Huarong Trust. The business of Huarong Trust mainly involves: (1) acting as a trustee to manage, operate and dispose of trust assets and receiving trust business income; and (2) providing financial advisory and other consulting services and receiving corresponding commission and fee income.

On December 31, 2020 and 2021, the outstanding trust funds was RMB120,870.9 million and RMB93,768.1 million, respectively.

On August 17, 2021, the general meeting of shareholders of the Company considered and approved the equity restructuring project of Huarong Trust.

The table below sets forth the breakdown of the distribution of trust products of Huarong Trust, by industry, as at the dates indicated.

	As at December 31,	
	2021	2020
	<i>(in millions of RMB)</i>	
Industrial and commercial enterprises	36,378.9	43,235.8
Financial institutions	13,921.5	16,420.5
Securities investment	5,557.5	10,442.1
Infrastructure	13,378.0	19,068.4
Real estate	21,609.9	24,931.0
Others	2,922.3	6,773.1
Total	<u>93,768.1</u>	<u>120,870.9</u>

9.3.3.2 International business

The Group conducts its international business mainly through Huarong International. As at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2021, the scale of assets of Huarong International was RMB164,858.1 million and RMB146,212.8 million, respectively, representing a decrease of 11.3%. In 2020 and 2021, the total income of Huarong International was RMB6,430.7 million and RMB6,593.5 million, respectively, representing an increase of 2.5%.

9.3.4 Business Synergy

Focusing on the strategic deployment of “returning to the source and focusing on the core business”, the Group has established a sound coordinated development mechanism, promoted coordinated informatization construction, and strengthened coordination in transformation of core business and risk solution to maximize the interests of the Group.

9.3.5 Major Investment and Acquisition

During the Reporting Period, the Group did not have any major investment and acquisition required to be disclosed pursuant to the Listing Rules.

9.3.6 Development of Information Technology

9.3.6.1 Information Technology Governance

During the Reporting Period, the Group continuously strengthened the ability of technology governance and promoted the systematization and standardization of technology management. The Group strengthened information technology internal control management and actively carried out the work of sorting out key points for review of information projects. The Group improved the information technology system and corporate information technology internal control compliance. The Group established information technology budget and final accounts system, made budgets more scientific and rational, and strengthened the quality of information projects. The Group continuously deepened the integration and application of group-based data, and actively built the group-based data sharing pattern.

9.3.6.2 Information System Establishment

During the Reporting Period, the Group constantly promoted the important information system establishment of the Company, and laid a solid foundation for the business process and the process control. The Group completed the main development of the business and finance integration of the subsidiaries, and continuously improved the data quality. The Group completed the launch of the statistical information management platform, integrated the data of each business system, formed a unified regulatory data mart for the Company, significantly improved the automation level of the Company’s regulatory statement preparation, and reduced the compliance risks of the regulatory submission of the Company. The Group completed the development and launch of automatic collection system for license information, optimized the identification and analysis functions, and effectively improved the work efficiency. The Group completed the promotion and optimization of the valuation reduction system for non-financial subsidiaries, and effectively improved the business operating efficiency and the risk control level.

9.3.7 Human resources management

In 2021, the Group focused on building a high-quality professional talent team, providing a solid talent guarantee for the high-quality development of a New Huarong. Following a correct guideline in selecting and appointing personnel and rectifying bad practices in this regard, the Group optimized the structure of the workforce; continuously improved the personnel mechanism; continuously improved the positive incentive and restraint mechanism featuring openness, transparency, science and rationality; enhanced the training efforts, innovated the methods and manners, expanded the training channels, and improved the performance ability and business quality of cadres and employees in strict accordance with the business development; cared for cadres and employees, actively responded to employees' concerns, protected the vital interests of employees, and enhanced the cohesion and combat effectiveness of the team constantly.

9.3.7.1 Employees

As of December 31, 2021, the Group had a total of 10,904 employees. Among them, 2,567 people worked for the Company, and 8,337 people worked for subsidiaries at all levels.

The Company's employees have more than 50 types of professional qualifications, including certified public accountant, sponsor representative, attorney, financial risk manager, asset appraiser, tax accountant, chartered financial analyst, banking practice qualification, securities practice qualification and fund practice qualification.

The table below sets forth a breakdown of the Group's employees by age, as of December 31, 2021:

	Number	Percentage (%)
Aged 35 and below	4,942	45.32%
Aged 36–45	3,146	28.85%
Aged 46–55	2,219	20.35%
Aged 56 and above	597	5.48%
Total	10,904	100%

The table below sets forth a breakdown of the Group's employees by education level, as at December 31, 2021:

	Number	Percentage (%)
Doctoral degree or doctoral candidate and above	165	1.51%
Master degree or master candidate	3,451	31.65%
Bachelor degree or undergraduate	6,389	58.59%
Junior college and below	899	8.24%
Total	10,904	100%

9.3.7.2 Remuneration policy

The Group's remuneration management is combined with the Group's strategies, business development and talent introduction. It adhered to the efficiency-centric principle and optimized the salary and fee distribution system to promote the realization of the Group's operation objectives. We adhered to the employee remuneration management mechanism with remuneration based on the post and bonus based on performance, and reasonably allocated employee remuneration according to post duties, capabilities and performance contribution. We continued to strengthen the incentive and restraint mechanism oriented by operation contribution, and established and improved a remuneration management system that was competitive in the market, matched performance and took into account internal fairness, in accordance with the principle of matching revenue and risk, and coordinating long-term and short-term incentives.

9.3.7.3 Education and training

In 2021, the Group enhanced overall planning for education and training work, and promoted the transformation and upgrading of training in an all-round way. Focusing on central corporate tasks, the Group coordinated the management of system-wide education and training, and worked out and implemented the annual training work plan. The Group adopted the flexible ways of training and carried out training based on levels, types to improve the performance abilities, professional capabilities and practical skills of cadres and employees. The Group strengthened the construction of the online learning platform, improved the internal and external course system, and carried out special online training.

9.4 Risk Management

In 2021, facing the delayed disclosure of annual reports, stable liquidity, stock suspension and a slate of major challenges ahead of us, the Group actively responded through taking the initiative and following the overall requirements of "transformation year and breakthrough year", adhering to various risk management, strengthening asset quality control, accelerating stock risk disposal, perfecting the comprehensive risk management system, and improving the system, means and tools of risk management to continuously enhance the quality of risk control. The Group operated steadily with generally controllable risks and stable liquidity.

In the next step, the Group will continue to focus on the overall objective of "transforming the core business and resolving risks", and thoroughly implement the four major business tasks of "resolving risks, revitalizing existing assets, optimizing incremental volume and strengthening the foundation", make full effort to promote the organic combination of resolution of existing assets and transformation of business, comprehensively improve the quality and effectiveness of risk resolution, seek benefits from risks resolution and enhance the proactiveness, forward looking and coordination of risk management.

9.4.1 Comprehensive risk management system

Comprehensive risk management refers to, centering on the overall operational objectives, the establishment of a risk governance structure with effective checks and balances, the foster of excellent risk culture, the formation and implementation of unified risk management strategies, risk appetite, risk limits and risk management policies, and the adoption of both qualitative and quantitative methods to effectively identify, measure, assess, monitor, report, control or mitigate various risks, in order to provide a secured process and method for achieving the Group's operational and strategical objectives.

In 2021, the Group focused on risk tackling and overcoming difficulties, practically increased risk prevention and resolution level. The Group established a risk resolution mechanism for material projects, optimized the assessment system, enhanced incentives, and effectively reduced risk exposure. The Group strengthened the management of business access, authorization, customer limit and concentration, improved risk warning and monitoring mechanisms and practically strengthened asset quality control to effectively prevented and controlled new risks. The Group made full efforts to stabilize financing, established emergency response mechanism for liquidity, strengthened fund position management to ensure the Group's liquidity safety. The Group strengthened the building of the risk management information system and line teams to provide strong support for risk management.

9.4.2 Structure of risk management

The Group has set up a three-dimensional risk management system, consisting of three levels on the basis of corporate governance structure, three gradients composed of professional teams specialized in risk management and three lines of defense in practical operations. Three levels on the basis of corporate governance structure refer to the Board, the senior management and the Board of Supervisors. Three gradients composed of professional teams specialized in risk management refer to the chief risk officer of the Group, risk management functional departments of the Group, and risk directors of the branches and subsidiaries. Three lines of defense in practical operations refer to three lines of defense of risk management consisting of business departments, risk management-related functional departments and audit department.

In 2021, the Group optimized the functions of some departments of the headquarters, revised the Basic System of Risk Management, and further clarified the risk management responsibilities of the relevant departments. The Regulations for Risk Directors and Risk Department Heads were revised to further clarify the positioning and duties of risk directors, and to improve the job requirements, performance reports and work evaluation mechanism. The Group carried out seminars and special training for risk line to enhance the professional capacity of the risk line team.

9.4.3 Credit risk management

Credit risk refers to the risk of loss due to the failure of debtors or counterparties to perform their contractual obligations or adverse changes in their credit status. Credit risk of the Group mainly involves the acquisition and restructuring of distressed debt business, trust business, securities business, financial leasing business, banking credit business and consumer finance business.

9.4.3.1 Overview of credit risk management

According to regulatory requirements and actual development, the Group continuously promoted the construction of credit risk management system, continuously improved its credit risk management system, mechanism construction and tool expansion; the Group enhanced the quality in identifying, monitoring, measuring, analyzing and reporting credit risks via post-evaluation. Meanwhile, the Group improved the management function through promoting the development of credit risk management information system to enhance management efficiency.

In 2021, the Group comprehensively strengthened business access and review and approval management, and improved business access standard, established on-site investigation mechanism for large projects and business review and approval dedicated, professional and expert working mechanism. The Group optimized the business authorization plan for 2021 based on the business development and risk control of branches and subsidiaries, and refined the authorization execution conditions. The Group improved customer limit and concentration control mechanisms, strengthened the review and control of customers and cooperation projects, and established a mechanism to restrict the frozen (restricted) customer list to effectively control customer concentration risks. The Group continuously carried out dynamic monitoring of customer risks and asset quality, strengthened early warning and prompting of risks, improved the assessment mechanisms of risks, the Group continuously optimized the internal rating and impairment measurement models, made reasonable provision for impairment based on the actual status. At the same time, the Group further highlighted risk management of key industries and key projects, strengthened risk monitoring and control of real estate related businesses, continued to reduce real estate concentration, increased risk supervision of key operating units, strengthened the control of incremental risks and assessment constraints and solidified risk control responsibilities.

In 2021, the Group actively carried out the disposal and resolution work for assets with hidden risks, formulated assessment methods for the reduction of assets with hidden risks, improved the assessment system, optimized the disposal authorization, and fully mobilized the initiative of clearing and disposal. The Group established risk resolution and consultation mechanism, built expert pools, and made every effort to carry out major project risk disposal. The Group adjusted risk resolution strategies, took the initiative to implement major risk project restructuring, improved the mechanism for disposing of cross- and off-site placement projects, studied the mechanism for collaborative disposal of real estate related risk projects and effectively reduced risk exposure. The Group achieved positive results in risk mitigation with the joint efforts of the whole Group.

In the next step, the Group will continue to focus on preventing risks and further strengthen credit risk management. The Group will strengthen the risk management of the whole process, strictly control the entry of projects, improve the professionalism of business review, make practical post-investment management of projects, improve the risk warning, response and control mechanism, and carry out risk control throughout the whole process of projects. The Group will strengthen risk control of key projects, enhance risk diagnosis, monitoring and control of real estate related business, implement classification management according to project risks, and strictly prevent incremental risks. With the goal of “speeding up the progress of disposal and improving the quality and efficiency of disposal”, the Group will use mechanisms such as expert consultation, cross-project disposal and cooperative resolution of real estate related projects to tackle major risky projects with all efforts and achieve reduction and increase efficiency.

9.4.3.2 Provision method for impairment of credit assets

The Group performs impairment assessment on debt instruments at amortised cost and debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income under ECL model and establishes relevant impairment assessment policies and management procedures, mainly including:

1. Establishing appropriate credit risk management practices, including an effective system of internal control, to consistently determine adequate allowances in accordance with the Group's stated policies and procedures, and relevant regulatory guidance.
2. Monitoring, identifying, assessing, measuring, reporting, controlling and mitigating credit risk across the Group, from an individual instrument to a portfolio level.
3. Establishing credit policies to protect the Group against the identified risks including the requirements to obtain collaterals from borrowers, to perform robust ongoing credit assessment of borrowers and to continually monitor exposures against internal risk limits.
4. Establishing a robust control framework regarding the authorization structure for the approval and renewal of credit facilities.
5. Developing and maintaining the Group's processes for measuring ECL including monitoring of credit risk, incorporation of forward-looking information and the method used to measure ECL.
6. Ensuring that the Group has policies and procedures in place to appropriately maintain and validate models used to assess and measure ECL.

The Group will measure and calculate, under the ECL model, impairment provisions according to the above methods and procedures and based on current and expected future credit risk profile of assets, with reference to the mitigation effect of collaterals and pledges and other credit enhancement measures on risk exposure, with the measurement results finally presented in the financial statements of the Group after appropriate internal approval process.

The Board of Directors of the Company reviews the risk provision policies and impairment provision method of the Group. The ECL model of the Group is designed and developed by an independent third-party professional firm engaged by the Company. The management of the Company reports to the Board of Directors of the Group on the feasibility, methodology, and assumptions of the ECL model, the Group-level operation plan, and the factors considered in the selection and appointment of third-party institutions. The Board of Directors makes decisions based on analyses and conclusion of relevant information. In addition, the Board of Directors reviews audited financial results including the amount of impairment loss, and analyses the reasonableness of the recognition of impairment loss as the basis for decision-making.

In accordance with IFRS 9, the Group conducts impairment assessment on debt instruments measured at amortised cost and debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income based on the expected credit loss model and recognises impairment loss on related assets on each balance sheet date in accordance with internal credit risk management process and impairment assessment policies.

During the impairment assessment of financial assets measured at amortised cost and debt instruments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income, the Group comprehensively considers factors such as credit risk of debt instruments, valuation and recoverability of collaterals and pledges, and borrower's ability to guarantee repayment to determine the recoverable amount of debt instruments, thereby determining the amount of impairment loss. The Group regards debtors' overdue status as one of the key factors for assessing credit risk changes, stage designation, and recognition of impairment loss for debt instruments. Specifically:

Stage 1: A financial instrument without a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition was included in Stage 1, and its impairment allowance was measured based on the upcoming 12-month ECLs of the financial instrument;

Stage 2: A financial instrument with a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition but with no objective evidence of impairment was included in Stage 2, and its impairment allowance was measured based on lifetime ECLs of the financial instrument;

Stage 3: A financial instrument with objective evidence of impairment at the end of the reporting period was included in Stage 3, and its impairment allowance was measured based on lifetime ECLs of the financial instrument.

The ECL model used by the Group mainly covers the following key inputs: probability of default (PD), loss given default (LGD) and exposure at default (EAD). These figures are generally derived from internally developed statistical models and other historical data and they are adjusted to reflect probability-weighted forward-looking information. The amount of ECL of each financial asset equals $PD * LGD * EAD$.

1. *Probability of default (PD)*

PD is an estimate of the likelihood of default over a given time horizon, the calculation of which is based on the models for customers' credit rating developed by Huarong. The models are developed on the basis of a range of data that is determined to be predictive of the risk of default and are designed with the focuses of customer risk assessment according to the risk characteristics of different industries, with the rating results covering 14 categories. The following data are typically used to monitor the Group's exposures, changes in business, financial and economic conditions; credit rating information supplied by external rating agencies; information obtained by periodic review of customer files including audited financial statements review, market data such as prices of quoted bonds where available, changes in the financial sector the customer operates etc.

In addition, considering the impact of changes in the current macro situation and macro economy on the overall risks as required in the new standards, the Group has developed a forward-looking adjustment model. In predicting future economic trends based on current macro environment, the model can distinguish between optimistic, baseline, and pessimistic scenarios, forecast the probabilities of these scenarios in the future, predict future changes in macroeconomic factors under different scenarios, and give a comprehensive weighted consideration to the impairment results under different macro scenarios, so as to reflect the possible impact of changes in the overall macro situation on the overall impairment of Huarong, thereby manifesting the forward-looking role in the process of impairment management to better leverage the risk mitigation capacity.

2. *Loss Given Default (LGD)*

LGD is an estimate of the loss arising from default. It is based on the difference between the present value of contractual cash flows due and the present value of cash flows that the lender would expect to receive. The LGD level is mainly related to the value and recovery rate of collateral. The recovery rate depends on historical collection experience, which also takes into account such factors as the expected recovery time of the collateral and collection cost of assets.

The Group performs assessment on the fair value of collaterals and pledges for debt instruments at amortised cost and debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income, evaluates the effect of credit risk mitigation accordingly, and conducts comprehensive judgment on the recognition of assets value losses.

The Group has established an asset evaluation system for the value of collaterals mentioned above and will dynamically assess the value of collaterals periodically or irregularly according to policy requirements so as to enhance the value management level of collaterals after investment for the project and to prevent the risk of value fluctuation.

3. *Exposure at Default (EAD)*

EAD is an estimate of exposures to future default, which takes into account the amount of expected changes to exposures after the reporting date, including the repayment of principal and interest, and reflects the expected change of outstanding loans within the duration of loan exposure allowed by current terms of the contract, such as amortization, prepayment, etc., and the amount is calculated based on the carrying amount of assets.

The Group conducts regular assessment for impairment of financial assets, monitors changes in credit risk of debt instruments as well as the value of guarantee measures and evaluates whether relevant information leads to impairment loss of related assets. The Group pays continuous attention to risk profile of debt instruments and changes in value of collaterals to ensure that asset impairment losses of debt instruments are fully and properly reflected in the financial statements.

9.4.4 *Market risk management*

Market risk refers to the situation where the Group's business may suffer losses due to adverse movements in market prices, such as interest rates, exchange rates and stock and commodity prices. The Group's market risks primarily relate to such investment business as stocks and bonds and changes in exchange rates.

In 2021, the Group continuously enhanced the market risk management, strengthened the tracking analysis and monitoring reports on market changes in stocks, bonds and foreign exchange, provided early warning and reminders for major risks, improved the market risk management mechanism, conducted market risk stress tests, and put forward measures to strengthen control.

With regard to stock risk, considering the macroeconomic situation, market capital, financial regulatory policies, industrial development trends, corporate profitability and other factors, the Group comprehensively analyzed and judged the capital market and the development trends of listed companies, conducted compliance and effective management of stock investment, and strictly complied with the regulatory requirements for disposal operations and public information disclosure. Meanwhile, through various means including real-time market value monitoring, regular stress tests, and improvement of emergent risk disposal mechanism, the Group effectively managed and controlled risks to promote value preservation and appreciation of state-owned assets.

With regard to interest rate risk, the Group continued to improve the interest risk management framework and system, revised the Administrative Measures for Interest Rate Risks of Trading Accounts (《交易賬簿利率風險管理辦法》), further defined the organizational structure and responsibility system, and improved the management process and method. The Group continuously carried out the measurement, monitoring and analysis of interest rate risks of trading accounts and non-trading accounts to continuously improve its capability to cope with interest rate risks.

With regard to foreign exchange risk, the Group, operating mainly in China, adopts Renminbi as the recording currency. The foreign exchange funds raised from listing were settled flexibly according to use of funds and exchange rate fluctuations. Some overseas subsidiaries issued USD bonds and carried out overseas businesses, relevant assets invested are mainly stated in USD or HKD linked with the USD exchange rate. The Group regularly monitored its foreign exchange risk exposure, effectively controlled foreign exchange risks mainly by means of currency matching of assets and liabilities, and hedged foreign exchange risks through currency swaps, hedging and other methods.

9.4.5 Liquidity risk management

Liquidity risk refers to the risks associated with the failure to promptly obtain sufficient funds at reasonable cost to repay mature debts, perform other payment obligations and support other funding requirement for normal business development. The Group's liquidity risks arise primarily from the delay in payment by its debtors, mismatch of asset and liability term structure, difficulty in asset monetization, operational loss, lack of quality liquidity reserves and financing capacity that is unable to meet the needs of business development.

In 2021, the Group appropriately responded to challenges of liquidity risk, established emergency response mechanism for liquidity, made every effort to stabilize financing, and well arranged the inventory conversion while actively adjusting its business strategy and strengthening capital utilization management and cash recovery. The overall liquidity was sufficient during the year, and the liquidity risks of the Group remained stable basically. The methods for monitoring and controlling liquidity risks of the Group mainly include indicator monitoring, alert management, stress tests and contingency plans. The Group set up and monitored liquidity risk indicators according to regulatory requirements and its actual situation to dynamically monitor, analyze and control liquidity risks; strictly implemented the liquidity risk limit management policy; conducted regular stress tests for liquidity risks, established sound hypothetical scenarios and test models; established and improved liquidity risk contingency plans, and continuously optimized early-warning management and mitigation mechanisms for liquidity risks.

The Group actively implemented the requirements of the regulatory authorities for liquidity management; adopted a centralized liquidity management system, enhanced the initiative and forward-looking nature of liquidity management to maintain the mismatch of assets and liabilities term structure at an acceptable liquidity risk level; target leverage ratio was determined in accordance with regulatory requirements to effectively control the degree of leverage and to guarantee its long-term liquidation; the Group established the working capital planning system, made full use of the internal fund transfer pricing system to speed up the turnover of funds and enhance efficiency in the use of funds; constantly expanded financing channels, established the multi-term and multi-variety market-based financing methods predominated by inter-bank loans and bonds issuance, complemented with interbank advances and pledge-style repo, and reasonably arranged the debt term to effectively improve the debt structure.

9.4.6 Operational risk management

Operational risk refers to the risk of losses caused by imperfect or problematic internal procedures, staff and IT systems, and external events, including legal risks.

In 2021, the Group further improved corporate operational risk management system, strengthened operational risk appetite and limited management. Taking the process as the link and combining with the self-assessment of the internal control system, the Group evaluated the risk level of key operational links in the Company's main business and management process, the effectiveness of the control measures and the size of the residual risk. The Group continuously monitored and analyzed the implementation of relevant indicators, and took operational risk-prone links as the focus of inspection, to strengthen supervision and rectification. By conducting operational risk stress tests, the Group conducted an assessment on its ability to withstand operational risks. By carrying out various educational activities such as system training, case warning, and problem reporting, the Group promoted employees to enhance their awareness of operational risks and strengthen their understanding of rules and regulations, strengthened system implementation, and standardized business operations.

The Group attached great importance to the building of a comprehensive legal risk prevention and control system covering all processes, all systems and all directions, continuously improved the legal work system, kept optimizing the legal review process, continuously strengthened contract management, intensified legal risk prevention and control, promoted the innovation of case management mechanism, and comprehensively prevented and controlled legal risks in business management activities.

The Group continued to improve the prevention mechanism of information technology risks, strengthened the planning and construction of information technology infrastructure to enhance the capability to provide scientific and technological support. The Group was well prepared for network security support in key periods to ensure the safe and stable operation of information system. The Group implemented the network security responsibility system, optimized the network security defense mechanism, organized and carried out network security self-examination. The Group rectified the evaluation of national information security level protection to prevent network security risks.

9.4.7 Reputational Risk Management

Reputational risk refers to the risk of receiving negative comments from relevant interested parties on the Group as a consequence of operation, management or other behaviors of the Group or external events.

In the first half of 2021, the Company delayed release of 2020 Annual Results. Trading in the H Shares of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited has been suspended, which drew attention of the market and media reports, and therefore the reputation of the Group has been affected. The Group took swift action and made an orderly deployment based on the management principles of proactive, prudent, full process and full coverage, effectively enhanced the public opinion monitoring and emergency handling work of the Group, actively took a number of measures to control and mitigate reputation risks, relieve the influence of public opinions, respond to market concerns and maintain a stable environment for public opinions. In August 2021, the Company announced that it intended to introduce strategic investors by issuing new shares, and issued the 2020 Annual Results Announcement and the 2021 Interim Results Announcement, and the public opinion environment of the Company tended to be stable. On December 30, 2021, the Company announced the completion of the non-public offering of Domestic Shares and H Shares. On January 5, 2022, the Company resumed the trading of shares on the Stock Exchange, after which the negative public opinion basically subsided, and the Company's reputation risk was resolved.

9.4.8 Internal Control

In 2021, pursuing the objectives of compliant operations, efficient operations and reliable reports, the Group continued to improve its internal control management system, carried out self-assessment on internal control, and continued to improve the system of New Huarong. The Group conducted activities of “Internal Control and Compliance Management Construction Year”, organized ethical risk investigation and rectification in business areas and “look back” at risk projects in order to sort out and find risk points in business and management. The Group summarized and learned from the risk lessons from the Lai Xiaomin case, strengthened risk control measures, enhanced risk identification, and control capabilities. At the same time, the Group further strengthened the construction of internal control and compliance system, improved the training promotion and the mechanism for problem rectification and supervision, and strengthened the concept of legal compliance operation. The Board, Board of Supervisors, senior management, headquarters, branches, subsidiaries and other institutions of different levels of the Company, as well as the three lines of defense of internal control, consisting of operation management department, internal control management department and internal audit department, performed their own functions, to facilitate the achievement of the Company's internal control goals.

Details of the Group's internal control are set out in “13. Internal Control”.

9.4.9 Internal Audit

The Group has established an independent internal audit department. Under the leadership of the Company's Party Committee, the Board and its Audit Committee, the internal audit department is responsible for the independent and objective supervision, evaluation and giving suggestions on financial revenue and expenditure, business activities, risk conditions and internal control etc.

In 2021, focusing on the central work and strategic deployment of the "transformation year and breakthrough year" of the Group, internal audit department strengthened the construction of internal audit system, continued to organize and implement economic responsibility audit, special audit and internal control evaluation, enhanced audit rectification and application of results, and earnestly fulfilled the responsibility of audit supervision.

The Group strengthened the construction of internal audit system. The Group revised and improved the procedures for economic responsibility audit, and internalize the provisions on economic responsibility audit of leading cadres of the CBIRC into internal system requirements. The Group standardized the whole process before, during and after the audit, so as to realize the standardized expression and qualitative consistency of similar problems, and the standardized operation process of on-site audit. The Group is exploring the establishment of an audit information system integrating audit operations, statistical analysis and dynamic monitoring, and has preliminarily established the operation process of the audit information management system. 258 people were selected to participate in the professional training organized by the National Audit Office and China Institute of Internal Audit. 26 grass-roots auditors improved their professional capacities by practical audit work in place of training.

The Group performed the function of internal audit and supervision. The Group continued to carry out economic responsibility audit, focused on incumbent audit work and applied simultaneously the economic responsibility audit to the personnel at or above the level of assistant general manager of the same unit, so as to realize the full coverage of the audit and supervision on the internal control, business operation, risk management and financial management of the audited unit. The Group continued to carry out routine and special audits such as writing-off bad debts, highlighted the key steps of corporate governance and risk prevention, and carried out targeted special audits such as existing projects of key customers to give play to the role of the third line of defense. The Group continued to carry out internal control evaluation, and paid more attention to the combination with the Company's annual key work, focused on the development of major businesses such as the elimination of aging assets, and simultaneously added the self-assessment link for business lines of headquarters, so as to strengthen the supervision and evaluation function of business lines and promote the continuous improvement and refinement of the Group's internal control system.

The Group strengthened audit rectification and application of results. The Group paid equal attention to the audit rectification and problems identified, and emphasized the implementation of rectification by strictly rectifying the main responsibility and further defining the hierarchical supervision responsibility, as a result, the rate of problem rectification reached 93.8%. The Group took the application of audit results as an important measure to improve the quality and efficiency of internal audit, and promoted the application of audit results in cadre appointment and removal, assessment for reward and punishment, management optimization and risk prevention.

9.4.10 Anti-money Laundering Management

The Group has strictly complied with the anti-money laundering and anti-terrorist financing laws and regulations, duly fulfilled relevant legal duty, continuously improved its anti-money laundering and anti-terrorist financing management system and working mechanism, so as to ensure effective enforcement of anti-money laundering and anti-terrorist financing laws and regulations and relevant rules of the Company.

In 2021, the Group established a new money laundering risk self-assessment system in accordance with regulatory requirements and timely reported various regulatory information; further optimized the functions of the anti-money laundering management information system, strengthened the connection of various functions of the internal system and optimized the system operating environment. In addition, the Group continued to strengthen the guidance and supervision of anti-money laundering work, continued to carry out off-site inspections, conducted anti-money laundering management training and organized and implemented a number of anti-money laundering publicity activities, which effectively strengthened the anti-money laundering awareness of all employees.

9.5 Capital Management

In 2021, according to the Capital Management Measures for Financial Asset Management Companies (Trial) (Yin Jian Fa [2017] No. 56) and other relevant regulations, the Company conscientiously implemented the spirit of regulation, went further in implementing the concept of capital constraint and optimized the capital management system. The Company successfully completed the introduction of strategic investors and capital increase and achieved external capital replenishment. At the end of 2021, the Company's capital adequacy level was significantly higher than at the beginning of the year. The Company will adhere to the general keynote of seeking progress in a stable manner, focus on the overall goal of "Transformation of core business and resolution of risk", further focus on the main business, return to the origin, accelerate mitigation of risk, carry out institution downsizing, adjust and optimize the asset structure and business layout, strive to improve the efficiency of capital utilization, and promote the high-quality development of the Company.

As at December 31, 2020 and 2021, the capital adequacy ratios of the Company were 4.16% and 12.95%, respectively.

As at December 31, 2020 and 2021, the leverage ratio¹ of the Company were 1,330.00:1 and 14.20:1, respectively.

9.6 Development Outlook

Looking forward to 2022, there are still risks and uncertainties in the global economic recovery, and the Epidemic, geopolitical conflicts gloom is still lingering; the supply chain system will recover, but at a slow pace; developed economies will gradually recall their easing monetary policies, which is expected to ease the global-wide hyperinflation; economic recovery in the Europe and the United States is slow, making it difficult to drive up the overall demand; and there is a tendency for emerging economies to raise interest rates passively, which may dampen the real economy and drag down the economic recovery.

¹ Calculated as per the standard set out in the Capital Management Measures for Financial Asset Management Companies (Trial) (Yin Jian Fa [2017] No. 56)

China's economy is recovering, showing a momentum of stable growth, but complex and severe external environment may weaken such a momentum. In order to stabilize the macro economy and keep the economy to run in a reasonable range, it is expected that macro policy continuity will be maintained and its effectiveness enhanced in 2022. The policy will be appropriately advanced, timely use of reserve policy tools, continue to do a good job in "ensuring stability in employment, financial operations, foreign trade, foreign investment, domestic investment, and expectations" and "ensuring security in job, basic living needs, operations of market entities, food and energy security, stable industrial and supply chains, and the normal functioning of primary-level governments" to strengthen cross-cyclical and counter-cyclical adjustments, and provide strong support for the stable operation of the economy. The effectiveness of active fiscal policy will be steadily improved, with more emphasis on precision and sustainability, and new financial resources will be sunk to the grassroots level, mainly for the implementation of policies to help enterprises alleviate difficulties, stabilize employment and protect people's livelihood, and promote consumption and expand demand. The prudent monetary policy will be proactive, more flexible and moderate to maintain a reasonable and adequate liquidity and promote financial institutions to reduce the actual loan interest rates, reduce fees, so that the majority of market entities enjoy increasingly better access to financing, where comprehensive financing costs down in real terms.

With regard to the distressed asset management industry, facing the lingering effects of COVID-19 and the economic downturn and under the current pressure of instable and unbalanced economic recovery, it is expected that in 2022 the economic and financial sector will see a relentless rise in the size of distressed assets. Macro policies will facilitate full coordination and wide cooperation among various parties and resources to resolve risks, so as to provide a policy guarantee, a broad market and transformation opportunities for the development of the Group's main business.

In 2022, taking the opportunity of introducing strategic investors to increase capital and standing at a new historical starting point, the Group will thoroughly implement the spirit of the Central Economic Work Conference on "prioritizing stability while pursuing progress" and focus on the overall goal of "transformation," the Group will refine and implement the four major business tasks of "resolving risks, revitalizing existing assets, optimizing incremental volume, and strengthening the foundation" by tackling difficult tasks and realizing transformation and play a counter-cyclical and financial rescue function based on the major business function of distressed assets, to fully promote the organic combination of business transformation and vitalization of existing assets. On the one hand, we will stick to strengthening and refining the core business, allocating more resources and energy to develop the main business of distressed assets, and consolidating the business system and foundation with acquisition-and-disposal, acquisition-and-restructuring, DES business as the core. Giving full play to our professional advantages and resource integration capabilities, and using other integrated financial services flexibility, we will continue to strengthen the functions of the four major businesses of "Disposal of problematic assets," "Revitalization of problematic projects," "Restructuring of problematic enterprises" and "Relief of crisis institutions." On the other hand, we insist on digging deeper into the value of existing assets, accelerating the disposal and revitalization of existing assets, relying on the revitalization of existing asset restructuring to revitalize the financial condition, to strengthen the endogenous development momentum and core market competitiveness financial risks. At the same time, the Company adhere to the path of high-quality development, with continuous efforts in business exploration and the building of a distressed asset ecosystem, we strive to be a planner, resource integrator, and financial investor in the sector of "dissolution of major risks," and leveling up our ability to serve the real economy and mitigating.

10. Changes in Share Capital and Information on Substantial Shareholders

10.1 Changes in Share Capital

In order to effectively replenish the Company's capital, meet the capital regulatory requirements of asset management companies, strengthen the foundation for sustainable operations and promote the stable and healthy development of its business, the Company completed the non-public issuance of Domestic Shares and H Shares on December 30, 2021. The number of shares in this non-public issuance was 41,176,470,585 with a par value of RMB1.00 per share and an issue price of RMB1.02 per share. Of which, the number of non-public issuance of Domestic Shares was 39,215,686,272 shares issued to CITIC Group Corporation, China Insurance Rongxin Private Fund Co., Ltd., China Cinda Asset Management Co., Ltd. and ICBC Financial Assets Investment Co., Ltd.; the number of non-public issuance of H Shares was 1,960,784,313 shares issued to China Life Insurance (Group) Company (the price of H Shares of the Company was HK\$1.02 per share upon the signing of the share subscription agreement on November 17, 2021). All of the net proceeds were used to replenish the Company's core tier-1 capital and support the Company's core business development. As at December 31, 2021, the share capital of the Company was as follows:

Class of Shares	Number of Shares	Approximate percentage to the total issued share capital
Domestic Shares	53,242,041,816	66.35%
H Shares	27,004,637,231	33.65%
Total	80,246,679,047	100.00%

10.2 Substantial Shareholders

10.2.1 Interests and Short Positions held by the Substantial Shareholders and Other Parties

To the best knowledge of the Directors, as at December 31, 2021, the following persons had interests or short positions held in the Company's Shares and underlying Shares required to be disclosed pursuant to Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or recorded in the register kept pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO or notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange:

Name of Shareholder	Class of Shares	Capacity	Number of Shares held or deemed to be held	Approximate percentage to the same class of share capital of the Company (%) ⁽¹⁾	Approximate percentage to the total share capital of the Company (%) ⁽²⁾
MOF	Domestic Shares ⁽³⁾	Beneficial owner	9,901,084,435(L)	18.60(L)	12.34(L)
	H Shares ⁽³⁾	Beneficial owner	12,376,355,544(L)	45.83(L)	15.42(L)

Name of Shareholder	Class of Shares	Capacity	Number of Shares held or deemed to be held	Approximate percentage to the same class of share capital of the Company (%) ⁽¹⁾	Approximate percentage to the total share capital of the Company (%) ⁽²⁾
China Life Insurance (Group) Company	Domestic Shares H Shares	Beneficial owner	1,650,000,000(L)	3.10(L)	2.06(L)
Warburg Pincus & Co. ⁽⁴⁾	H Shares	Beneficial owner	1,960,784,313(L)	7.26(L)	2.44(L)
		Interest of controlled corporation	2,060,000,000(L) ⁽⁵⁾	7.63(L)	2.57(L)
Warburg Pincus Financial International Ltd ⁽⁴⁾	H Shares	Beneficial owner	2,060,000,000(L) ⁽⁵⁾	7.63(L)	2.57(L)
CITIC Group Corporation	Domestic Shares	Beneficial owner	18,823,529,411(L)	35.35(L)	23.46(L)
China Insurance Rongxin Private Fund Co., Ltd.	Domestic Shares	Beneficial owner	14,509,803,921(L)	27.25(L)	18.08(L)
China Cinda Asset Management Co., Ltd.	Domestic Shares	Beneficial owner	3,921,568,627(L)	7.37(L)	4.89(L)
Sino-Ocean Group Holding Limited ⁽⁶⁾	H Shares	Interest of controlled corporation	1,771,410,000(L)	6.56(L)	2.21(L)
Ko Kwong Woon Ivan ⁽⁷⁾	H Shares	Interest of controlled corporation	1,716,504,000(L)	6.36(L)	2.14(L)
Siu Lai Sheung ⁽⁷⁾	H Shares	Interest of controlled corporation	1,716,504,000(L)	6.36(L)	2.14(L)
Fabulous Treasure Investments Limited ^{(6),(7)}	H Shares	Beneficial owner	1,716,504,000(L)	6.36(L)	2.14(L)

Note: (L) refers to long position

- Notes:
- (1) Calculated based on 53,242,041,816 Domestic Shares or 27,004,637,231 H Shares in issue of the Company as at December 31, 2021.
 - (2) Calculated based on a total of 80,246,679,047 Shares in issue of the Company as at December 31, 2021.
 - (3) The data is calculated based on the Corporate Substantial Shareholder Notice from the MOF filed with the Hong Kong Stock Exchange on December 1, 2015 and January 22, 2020 and the number of Domestic Shares and H Shares in issue of the Company as at December 31, 2021.
 - (4) According to the Corporate Substantial Shareholder Notice from Warburg Pincus & Co., Warburg Pincus Private Equity XI, L.P., Warburg Pincus XI, L.P., WP Global LLC and WP XI International II Ltd filed with the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, respectively, on November 30, 2018, Warburg Pincus Financial International Ltd directly holds 2,060,000,000 H Shares of the Company. As WP Global LLC, Warburg Pincus XI, L.P., Warburg Pincus Private Equity XI, L.P., Warburg Pincus International Capital LLC, WP XI International II Ltd, WP Financial L.P., Warburg Pincus International L.P. and Warburg Pincus Financial International Ltd are all corporations directly or indirectly controlled by Warburg Pincus & Co., therefore, for the purpose of the SFO, Warburg Pincus & Co., WP Global LLC, Warburg Pincus XI, L.P., Warburg Pincus Private Equity XI, L.P., Warburg Pincus International Capital LLC, WP XI International II Ltd, WP Financial L.P. and Warburg Pincus International L.P. are deemed to be interested in the long positions held by Warburg Pincus Financial International Ltd.

- (5) The Shares are under pledge for the purpose of financing from the bank.
- (6) According to the Corporate Substantial Shareholder Notice from Sino-Ocean Group Holding Limited filed with the Hong Kong Stock Exchange on September 13, 2016, Fabulous Treasure Investments Limited and Shining Grand Limited directly hold 1,716,504,000 and 54,906,000 H Shares of the Company, respectively. As Shine Wind Development Limited, Faith Ocean International Limited, Sino-Ocean Land (Hong Kong) Limited, Team Sources Holdings Limited, SOL GP Limited, Profit Raise Partner 1 Limited, SOL Investment Fund GP Limited, SOL Investment Fund LP, Fabulous Treasure Investments Limited and Shining Grand Limited are all corporations directly or indirectly controlled by Sino-Ocean Group Holding Limited, therefore, for the purpose of the SFO, Sino-Ocean Group Holding Limited, Shine Wind Development Limited, Faith Ocean International Limited, Sino-Ocean Land (Hong Kong) Limited, Team Sources Holdings Limited, SOL GP Limited, Profit Raise Partner 1 Limited, SOL Investment Fund GP Limited and SOL Investment Fund LP are deemed to be interested in the long positions of 1,716,504,000 H Shares of the Company held by Fabulous Treasure Investments Limited; and for the purpose of the SFO, Sino-Ocean Group Holding Limited, Shine Wind Development Limited, Faith Ocean International Limited and Sino-Ocean Land (Hong Kong) Limited are deemed to be interested in the long positions of 54,906,000 H Shares of the Company held by Shining Grand Limited.
- (7) According to the Individual Substantial Shareholder Notices from Ko Kwong Woon Ivan and Siu Lai Sheung filed with the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, respectively, on December 16, 2015, Fabulous Treasure Investments Limited directly holds 1,716,504,000 H Shares of the Company. As RECAS Global Limited, SOL Investment Fund GP Limited, SOL Investment Fund LP and Fabulous Treasure Investments Limited are all corporations directly or indirectly controlled by Ko Kwong Woon Ivan and Siu Lai Sheung, therefore, for the purpose of the SFO, Ko Kwong Woon Ivan, Siu Lai Sheung, RECAS Global Limited, SOL Investment Fund GP Limited and SOL Investment Fund LP are deemed to be interested in the long positions held by Fabulous Treasure Investments Limited.

10.2.2 Substantial Shareholders

During the Reporting Period, the details of the substantial Shareholders of the Company with shareholding of class of Shares over 5% are as follows:

MOF

As a department under the State Council, MOF is responsible for the administration at the macro level of revenue and expenditure and taxation policies of the PRC.

CITIC Group Corporation

As a company incorporated in the PRC with limited liability, CITIC Group is a large state-owned comprehensive multinational corporation operating in 5 business sectors: comprehensive financial service, advanced intelligent manufacturing, advanced materials, new consumption, and new-type urbanization. The ultimate beneficial owner of CITIC Group is MOF.

China Insurance Rongxin Private Fund Co., Ltd.

China Insurance Rongxin Private Fund Co., Ltd. (“China Insurance Rongxin Fund”) is a fund established by China Insurance Investment (Beijing) Co., Ltd. (as the fund manager). The shareholders of China Insurance Rongxin Fund include China Insurance Investment Co., Ltd. and other 17 insurance institutions operating in equity investment with private equity funds, investment management, asset management and other activities. China Insurance Investment (Beijing) Co., Ltd. is the wholly-owned subsidiary of China Insurance Investment Co., Ltd.

China Cinda Asset Management Co., Ltd.

Established in April 1999, China Cinda Asset Management Co., Ltd. (formerly known as China Cinda Asset Management Corporation) was a pilot entity designated by the State Council for the reform of financial asset management companies as well as the first PRC financial asset management company trading in the international capital market. The core business of China Cinda is distressed asset management. China Cinda upholds the high-quality development concept of “professional management, efficiency first, and value creation” and aims to further develop its core business of distressed asset management, prevent and mitigate financial risk, improve the quality and efficiency of supporting the real economy and build financial security.

China Life Insurance (Group) Company

It is a financial insurance company wholly owned by the MOF. China Life Insurance (Group) Company and its subsidiaries constitute the largest commercial insurance group in China. Their business scope includes various areas such as life insurance, property insurance, pension insurance (annuity business), asset management, alternative investment, overseas business and e-commerce.

Warburg Pincus LLC

Warburg Pincus LLC, established in 1966, is a globally leading private equity investment company headquartered in New York. Its scope of investment covers the consumption, industry and services (IBS) segments, energy, financial services, pharmaceuticals and healthcare, technology, media and telecommunication (TMT) and other industries. Warburg Pincus LLC has established business in China since 1994, being one of the first international private equity investment groups operating in China.

Warburg Pincus Financial International Ltd is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Warburg Pincus International L.P. Warburg Pincus LLC is the manager of Warburg Pincus International L.P.

Sino-Ocean Group Holding Limited

In pursuit of the strategic vision of being the creator of “building health and creating social value”, Sino-Ocean Group is committed to becoming a pragmatic comprehensive corporation focusing on investment and development while exploring related new businesses. Its core businesses include residential development, real estate development and operation, property services and whole-industrial chain construction services, along with synergic businesses in real estate finance, elderly care services, logistics real estate and data real estate, etc. A well-recognized and reputed brand of great influence for its consistency in high-quality product and professional service offerings, Sino-Ocean is acknowledged as a Well-Known Trademark by the Trademark Office of the State Administration for Industry and Commerce in 2013, and awarded “Top 10 Chinese Real Estate Enterprises with Outstanding Brand Value” for a number of times.

11. Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management

11.1 Director

During the Reporting Period and as of the Latest Practicable Date, details of the Directors of the Company were as follows:

No.	Name	Gender	Year of Birth	Position	Term Commencement of Office
Current Directors					
1	Wang Zhanfeng	M	1967	Chairman of the Board and Executive Director	From September 2018
2	Liang Qiang	M	1971	Executive Director and President	From August 2021
3	Wang Wenjie	M	1961	Executive Director and Vice President	From December 2020
4	Zhao Jiangping	F	1965	Non-executive Director	From June 2020
5	Zheng Jiangping	M	1964	Non-executive Director	From June 2020
6	Zhou Langlang	M	1980	Non-executive Director	From April 2017
7	Tse Hau Yin	M	1948	Independent Non-executive Director	From March 2015
8	Shao Jingchun	M	1956	Independent Non-executive Director	From November 2016
9	Zhu Ning	M	1973	Independent Non-executive Director	From March 2019
10	Chen Yuanling	F	1963	Independent Non-executive Director	From October 2020
Resigned Director					
1	Xu Nuo	M	1972	Non-executive Director	From December 2020 to March 2022

- (1) Pursuant to the Articles of Association of the Company, the term of office of Directors shall be 3 years and Directors may be re-elected after the expiry.
- (2) Mr. Liang Qiang was appointed as the President of the Company as resolved by the Board of the Company on June 29, 2021 and was appointed as the executive Director of the Company as approved by the first extraordinary general meeting of Shareholders for 2021 of the Company on August 17, 2021.

- (3) On March 1, 2022, Mr. Xu Nuo resigned as a non-executive Director and the member of each of the Strategy and Development Committee, Risk Management Committee and Audit Committee of the Board of the Company. Mr. Xu's resignation took effect from March 1, 2022.

11.1.1 Executive Directors

Mr. Wang Zhanfeng has been the chairman of the Board and an executive Director of the Company since September 2018. Mr. Wang began his career in August 1991, and has served as party committee member and vice president of Qingdao City Centre Branch of the People's Bank of China from January 2003 to July 2003, a member of the Organization Group of Qingdao Office of China Banking Regulatory Commission ("CBRC", now known as the CBIRC), from July 2003 to September 2003, party committee member and deputy director of Qingdao Office of the CBRC from September 2003 to December 2005, deputy director of the Cooperative Financial Institution Supervision Department of the CBRC from December 2005 to October 2011, party committee secretary and director of Shanxi Office of the CBRC from October 2011 to April 2014, party committee secretary and director of Guangdong Office of the CBRC from April 2014 to April 2018. Mr. Wang joined the Company in April 2018 and has been the party committee secretary of the Company up to now. Mr. Wang graduated with a doctor's degree in finance from the School of Finance of the Southwestern University of Finance and Economics.

Mr. Liang Qiang, a senior economist, has been an executive Director of the Company since August 2021, and the deputy party committee secretary and president of the Company since June 2021. In July 1993, Mr. Liang started his career at Shanxi Branch of China Construction Bank. In September 1999, he began to work at China Cinda Asset Management Corporation and worked successively on multiple positions at Taiyuan Office, the Market Development Department in Headquarters, the Finance Department, the Planning and Finance Department, Comprehensive Planning Department, the Strategic Investors Introduction and Listing Panel Office and Shanghai Branch. He successively took the positions of assistant to president, member of the party committee and vice president of China Cinda Asset Management Co., Ltd. from February 2016 to December 2019. He successively took the positions of member of the party committee, vice president and executive director of China Orient Asset Management Co., Ltd. from December 2019 to December 2020. He successively took the positions of deputy party committee secretary, executive director and president of China Great Wall Asset Management Co., Ltd. from December 2020 to June 2021. Mr. Liang successively obtained a Bachelor's degree in Economics (majoring in accounting) from Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, and a Master's degree in Business Administration from the School of Economics and Management of Tsinghua University.

Mr. Wang Wenjie has been an executive Director of the Company since December 2020 and has been a vice president of the Company since November 2014. He was accredited as a senior economist by ICBC in December 1994. Mr. Wang started his career in the Technological Transformation Credit Department of ICBC in July 1986. From March 1987 to December 1999, he served successively as principal staff member of the Technological Transformation Credit Department, deputy director of the Project Management Division, director of Project Management Division I and deputy general manager of the Assessment and Consultation Department of ICBC. Mr. Wang joined the Company in December 1999, serving successively as deputy general manager (in charge) and general manager of International Business Department. He served as deputy general manager (general manager level) and general manager of Nanjing Office from June 2003 to August 2006, general manager of the Investment Business Department (International Business Department) from August 2006 to December 2009, chief investment and operation officer and general manager of the Investment Business Department (International Business Department) from December 2009 to June 2010, chief investment and operation officer and general manager of Shanghai Office from June 2010 to April 2011, chief risk officer, chief investment and operation officer and general manager of the Risk Management Department from April 2011 to April 2013 and assistant to President and secretary to the Board from September 2012 to November 2014. Mr. Wang acted on behalf and performed the duties of the secretary to the Board from December 2018 to August 2019. Mr. Wang graduated from Shaanxi Institute of Finance and Economics (now known as Xi'an Jiaotong University) majoring in industrial economy with a master's degree in economics.

11.1.2 Non-executive Directors

Ms. Zhao Jiangping has been a non-executive Director of the Company since June 2020 and is a senior accountant. Ms. Zhao started her career at the Central Enterprise Division of Shanxi Province commissioned by the Ministry of Finance in July 1988, successively serving as a staff member and a deputy chief staff member of the Central Enterprise Division of the Department of Finance of Shanxi Province commissioned by the Ministry of Finance from March 1989 to January 1995 (during which she worked as a member of the rural task team at Xiashen Village, Qi County, Shanxi Province from October 1989 to October 1990); a deputy chief staff member and a chief staff member of the Business Division I, a chief staff member of the office, a chief staff member of the Business Division I, the deputy director of the office, the director of the Business Division II, the director of the office, a member of the party group and a deputy inspector of the Shanxi Finance Ombudsman Office commissioned by the Ministry of Finance from January 1995 to April 2019. She has been a member of the party group of the Shanxi Regulatory Office of the Ministry of Finance from April 2019 to June 2020, successively serving as a deputy inspector and a level-two inspector. Ms. Zhao obtained a bachelor's degree in economics from the Department of Finance of Shanxi College of Finance and Economics, majoring in public finance.

Mr. Zheng Jiangping has been a non-executive Director of the Company since June 2020, and is a representative of the 15th People's Congress of Beijing, a lawyer and a tax accountant. Mr. Zheng started his career at Sichuan Provincial Tax Service in July 1987; successively serving as secretary (deputy director level) of the Party group, deputy director and director of the office of Sichuan Provincial Taxation Service from October 1994 to November 2000. Mr. Zheng successively served as secretary, director of the Party group of Mianyang Tax Service in Sichuan Province from

November 2000 to April 2003; a member of the Party group and deputy director of Chengdu Tax Service from April 2003 to January 2006; a member of the Party group and deputy director of Sichuan Provincial Taxation Service from January 2006 to September 2012; successively serving as deputy director of the General Office of the State Taxation Administration (level of deputy director general), an executive deputy secretary of the Party Committee of the State Taxation Administration (level of director general), deputy director (undersecretary) of personnel department (organization department of Party Committee) and director of the office of Party building from September 2012 to June 2020. Mr. Zheng graduated from the public finance of the Department of Finance of Xiamen University with a doctorate in economics.

Mr. Zhou Langlang has been a non-executive Director of the Company since April 2017. Mr. Zhou has been a managing director of Warburg Pincus Asia LLC since 2005 and is currently a director of Hwabao WP Fund Management Co., Ltd. and Cango Inc. Mr. Zhou served as an analyst of the investment banking division of Credit Suisse First Boston from 2003 to 2004 and was the manager of the investment banking division of Citibank from 2004 to 2005. Mr. Zhou obtained a bachelor's degree in business administration and a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Western Ontario in Canada in 2002.

11.1.3 Independent Non-executive Directors

Mr. Tse Hau Yin has been an independent non-executive Director of the Company since March 2015. Mr. Tse is a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, and the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA). Mr. Tse was a former president of the HKICPA and a former member of the audit committee of the HKICPA. Mr. Tse joined KPMG in 1976 and became a partner in 1984. Before his retirement in 2003, Mr. Tse was a non-executive chairman of KPMG China and a member of the KPMG China advisory board from 1997 to 2000. Mr. Tse has been an independent non-executive director of OCBC Wing Hang Bank Limited (formerly listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 00302) from November 2004 to June 2021, an independent non-executive director of Daohe Global Group Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 00915; and formerly known as Linmark Group Limited) from May 2005 to December 2016, an independent non-executive director of CNOOC Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 00883) since June 2005, an independent non-executive director of China Telecom Corporation Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 00728) since September 2005, an independent non-executive director of Sinofert Holdings Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 00297) since June 2007, an independent non-executive director of SJM Holdings Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 00880) since October 2007 and an independent non-executive director of CCB International (Holdings) Limited (a wholly-owned subsidiary of CCB) since March 2013. Mr. Tse is also a member of the International Advisory Council of the People's Municipal Government of Wuhan. Mr. Tse graduated from the University of Hong Kong and obtained a bachelor's degree in social science in November 1970.

Mr. Shao Jingchun has been an independent non-executive Director of the Company since November 2016. Mr. Shao served as a lecturer of the faculty of law of Peking University in 1988; a post-doctoral fellow of the European University Institute in 1989; a guest researcher of the European University Institute in 1990; Mr. Shao has been travelling, studying and conducting legal practice in Europe from 1991 to 1994. He was an associate professor of the faculty of law of Peking University in 1994; the director of international economic law department of the Law School of Peking University in 1996. He has been serving as a professor of Law School and doctoral supervisor of Peking University since 2001. He was the director of the international economic law institute of Peking University from 1997 to 2019, the honorary director of the international economic law institute of Peking University since 2019 and a director of WTO legal study center of Peking University from 2002 to 2018. Concurrently, Mr. Shao served as an arbitrator of China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission from 1995 to 2006, a counselor of All China Lawyers Association from 2003, an arbitrator/mediator of International Center for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) of the World Bank from 2004 to 2016, an English senior translator of the Commission of Legislative Affairs of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China from 2005, the vice director of the Institute of International Economic Law of China Law Society from 2005, the vice director of the World Trade Organization Institute of China Law Society from 2015 to 2018, the vice director of International Construction Law Association from 2015 and the vice director of China Association for Quality Promotion (CAQP) from 2016, the independent supervisor of China Suntien Green Energy Corporation Limited (a listed company on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 00956) from 2019, a member of Hainan Free Trade Port Legislative Advisory Committee from January 2021. Mr. Shao was admitted to the Law School of Peking University in 1978 and obtained the bachelor's degree in law, master's degree in law and doctor's degree in law of Peking University in 1982, 1985 and 1988, respectively.

Mr. Zhu Ning has been an independent non-executive Director of the Company since March 2019. Mr. Zhu served successively as an assistant professor, associate professor and tenured professor at the University of California (Davis), the United States of America from August 2003 to June 2010; a senior vice president and a quantitative strategies director at Lehman Brothers Asia Limited from July 2008 to October 2008; a general consultant and an executive director of the portfolio advisory team of Nomura International (Hong Kong) Limited from January 2009 to August 2010; a professor and the deputy director of Shanghai Advanced Institute of Finance (SAIF), Shanghai Jiao Tong University since July 2010; and a Chair Professor of Oceanwide Finance at PBC School of Finance, Tsinghua University and a deputy director of National Institute of Financial Research and the director of Center for Global Merger Acquisition and Restructuring at Tsinghua University during his sabbatical leave from July 2016 to June 2018. Mr. Zhu is currently also a distinguished professor of finance at Guanghua School of Management at Peking University and a faculty fellow at Yale University International Center for Finance. Mr. Zhu has been an independent non-executive director of China Asset Management (Hong Kong) Limited since March 2012, and an independent non-executive director of UTour Group Co., Ltd. (a company listed on Shenzhen Stock Exchange, stock code: 002707) from May 2018 to June 2021. Mr. Zhu served as an independent non-executive director of Healthcare Co., Ltd. (a company listed on Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 603313) from December 2012 to April 2017, an independent non-executive director of Everbright Securities Co., Ltd. (a company listed on Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 601788, and on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 06178) from February 2013 to September 2017, an independent non-executive director of China Guangfa Bank Co., Ltd. from March 2014 to June 2020, an independent non-executive director of Leshi Internet Information &

Technology Corp., Beijing (a company listed on Shenzhen Stock Exchange, stock code: 300104) from October 2015 to April 2017, an independent non-executive director of Industrial Securities Co., Ltd. (a company listed on Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 601377) from February 2016 to December 2017. Mr. Zhu was also formerly a visiting scholar at Federal Reserve (Philadelphia), Federal Reserve Board of Governors and International Monetary Fund, and a senior visiting researcher at Advanced Research Institute of Waseda University. Mr. Zhu graduated from Yale University with a Ph.D. degree in Finance.

Ms. Chen Yuanling has been an independent non-executive Director of the Company since October 2020. Ms. Chen worked as a full-time lawyer in economy and finance from 1985 to 2010. She successively served as a lawyer and a partner in law firms such as DeHeng Law Offices in Beijing and Kangda Law Firm in Beijing, and she was a first-grade lawyer. Ms. Chen served as a non-executive director of China Construction Bank Corporation (a company listed on Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 601939, and on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 00939) from June 2010 to June 2016, a non-executive director of New China Life Insurance Company Ltd. (a company listed on Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 601336, and on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 01336) from March 2016 to June 2017, and a deputy general manager and the person in charge of audit of New China Asset Management Co., Ltd. from June 2017 to July 2019. Ms. Chen is currently a senior consultant in DeHeng Law Offices in Beijing and serves concurrently as an independent director of Heilongjiang Transport Development Co., Ltd. (a company listed on Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 601188) since February 14, 2020. Ms. Chen once worked for Government of Jilin Province as a legal adviser, and acted as a mediator at China Council for the Promotion of International Trade and the Mediation Centre of China Chamber of International Commerce, a director of All China Lawyers Association, a member of the Finance Specialize Committee of All China Lawyers Association and an external expert of asset securitization of Shenzhen Stock Exchange. Ms. Chen graduated with a bachelor's degree from the Department of Law of Peking University in 1985 and graduated from the in-service postgraduate program of Business School of Jilin University in 2000.

11.2 Supervisors

During the Reporting Period and as of the Latest Practicable Date, details of the Supervisors of the Company were as follows:

No.	Name	Gender	Year of Birth	Position	Commencement Date of the Term of office
Current Supervisors					
1	Hu Jianzhong	M	1965	Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and Shareholder Representative Supervisor	Since March 2020
2	Cheng Fengchao	M	1959	External Supervisor	Since June 2020
3	Han Xiangrong	M	1970	External Supervisor	Since June 2020
4	Sun Hongbo	F	1968	Employee Representative Supervisor	Since June 2020
5	Guo Jinghua	F	1966	Employee Representative Supervisor	Since May 2021
Resigned Supervisor					
1	Zheng Shengqin	F	1963	Employee Representative Supervisor	From February 2014 to May 2021

- (1) According to the Articles of Association, the term of office of Supervisors of the Company shall be 3 years. Supervisors may be re-elected after the expiry of the said term.
- (2) On May 13, 2021, Ms. Guo Jinghua was elected as an employee representative supervisor of the third session of the Board of Supervisors on the ninth meeting of the third session of the employee representative meeting in 2021.
- (3) On January 27, 2022, Mr. Cheng Fengchao resigned as an external supervisor and the chairman of the Supervision Committee under the Board of Supervisors of the Company. Mr. Cheng's resignation will take effect upon the election of a new external supervisor to fill his vacancy at the general meeting of Shareholders.

Mr. Hu Jianzhong has been the chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the Company since March 2020. He was accredited as a senior accountant by Agricultural Bank of China Limited (the ABC) in September 1994 and was awarded as a researcher by Central University of Finance and Economics in September 2011. Mr. Hu started his career in Guyuan County Sub-branch of ABC in the Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region in December 1980 and served as the deputy director of the Finance and Accounting Division of Ningxia Branch of ABC from December 1994 to November 1996, successively as the deputy director of the State-owned Asset Management Division, the deputy director of the Accounting Cashier Division and the director of the Accounting Management Division I of the Finance and Accounting Department at the head office of ABC from November 1996 to December 1999. He successively served as the deputy general manager and the deputy general manager (in charge) of the Capital and Finance Department, the general manager of the Asset Management Department II, the general manager of Jinan Office of China Great Wall

Asset Management Corporation, the assistant to the president and the vice president of China Great Wall Asset Management Corporation and the vice president of China Great Wall Asset Management Co., Ltd. from December 1999 to October 2018; the chairman of the board of supervisors of China Orient Asset Management Co., Ltd. from October 2018 to September 2019. Mr. Hu joined the Company in September 2019 and has been the deputy Party Committee secretary of the Company since then. Mr. Hu graduated from Central University of Finance and Economics, majoring in finance, with a doctorate in economics.

Mr. Cheng Fengchao has been an external Supervisor of the Company since June 2020 and obtained the qualification of Chinese Certified Public Accountant in May 1997 and the qualification of Chinese Certified Public Valuator in December 2003. He was accredited as a researcher by the Senior Professional and Technical Title Evaluation Committee of the People's Bank of China in November 2016 and a senior accountant by Hebei Senior Accountant Evaluation Committee in July 1996. Mr. Cheng served as deputy director of Finance Bureau of Pingquan County in Hebei Province, deputy director of the Office of the Finance Department of Hebei Province, head of Hebei Certified Public Accountants, secretary general of Hebei Institute of Certified Public Accountants, deputy general manager of Shijiazhuang Office, general manager of Evaluation Management Department, general manager of Tianjin Office and general manager of Development Research Department of China Great Wall Asset Management Corporation, and non-executive director of Agricultural Bank of China Limited (a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 01288, and on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 601288). He served as non-executive director of Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Limited (a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 01398, and on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 601398) from March 2015 to April 2019; a supervisor of China Everbright Group Ltd. from January 2018 to March 2019; and an independent non-executive director of Beijing GeoEnviron Engineering & Technology, Inc. (a company listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 603588) from May 2019 to January 2022. He has been the chairman of Zhongguancun Guorui Financial and Industrial Development Research Institute and an independent non-executive director of Minmetals Capital Company Limited (a company listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 600390) since May 2019; an external supervisor of Everbright Securities Co., Ltd. (a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 06178, and on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 601788) since December 2020; and an independent non-executive director of Sinochem International Corporation (a company listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 600500) since November 2021. Mr. Cheng is now a doctoral supervisor of Hunan University and a postgraduate supervisor of the Graduate School of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. Mr. Cheng graduated from Hunan University, majoring in management science and engineering, with a doctorate in management.

Mr. Han Xiangrong has been an external Supervisor of the Company since June 2020. Mr. Han once served as senior staff member of the Treasury Department of the Ministry of Finance, principal staff member, deputy director and investigator of the Financial Department of the Ministry of Finance, director of the Department for the Supervision of Use of Funds of the China Insurance Regulatory Commission and deputy director of the Department for the Supervision of Use of Insurance Funds of the China Insurance Regulatory Commission, member of the Party Committee and deputy director of the China Insurance Regulatory Commission, Liaoning Bureau; since March 2016, he has been the chairman of the board of directors of Funde Asset Management (Hong Kong) Company Limited. Mr. Han is currently vice chairman of Insurance Asset

Management Association of China, chairman of real estate special committee of Insurance Asset Management Association of China, and chairman of Funde Equity Investment Fund Management (Shenzhen) Co., Ltd. Mr. Han graduated from Wuhan University, majoring in foreign history of economic thoughts, with a master's degree in economics.

Ms. Sun Hongbo has been an employee representative Supervisor of the Company since June 2020. She was accredited as an engineer by the Science and Technology Quality Center of the Internal Trade Bureau in January 1997, and received the Accountant Certificate of National Unified Examination issued by the Ministry of Finance in May 1999. Ms. Sun began her career in the Ministry of Commerce in August 1990, serving successively as the deputy director of the Science and Technology and Quality Bureau of the Ministry of Internal Trade, the State Internal Trade Bureau and the China General Chamber of Commerce until March 2001. Ms. Sun joined the Company in March 2001 and worked successively in the Equity Administration Department, Asset Management Department II, Business Review Department and Risk Management Department, and served successively as assistant to the general manager of the Business Review Department, the assistant to the general manager of the Risk Management Department, deputy general manager of the Risk Management Department, deputy director member of the Risk Executive Review Committee of China Huarong Financial Leasing Co., Ltd., deputy general manager of the Investment Business Department (International Business Department), deputy general manager of the Investment Business Department, deputy general manager of the Investment Development Department and risk director from June 2009 to April 2016. Ms. Sun served successively as the supervisor, director, deputy general manager (general manager level) and risk director of China Huarong Capital Management Co., Ltd., and concurrently served as deputy general manager of Investment Development Department and risk director of the Company from April 2016 to July 2019, and she has been the general manager of the Audit Department of the Company since July 2019. Ms. Sun has the qualification in the securities industry. She graduated from Dongbei University of Finance & Economics with a bachelor's degree in economics, majoring in industrial and commercial administration. She later participated in the education of the equivalent degree in finance at Renmin University of China and obtained a master's degree in economics.

Ms. Guo Jinghua has been an employee representative Supervisor of the Company since May 2021, and was accredited as a senior economist by the Company in October 2001. Ms. Guo worked in the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China from July 1988 to November 1999 as the head of the Corporate Management Department of the Head Office and the deputy director of the Corporate Division of the Asset Risk Management Department. Ms. Guo joined the Company in November 1999, serving successively as the deputy director and the senior manager of the Equity Management Department, assistant to the general manager of the Operation Management Department, assistant to the general manager and the deputy general manager of the Beijing Office, the deputy general manager of the Operation Management Department, the deputy general manager of the Business Development Department, the deputy general manager of the Risk Management Department, the deputy general manager of the Asset Management Department, the deputy general manager (in charge of work) and the general manager of the Customer Marketing Department, the director of the Listing Office, the general manager of the Business Evaluation Department, the director of the Board Office, the general manager of the Internal Control and Compliance Department, and the executive vice chairman of the Labor Union Committee from March 2021. Ms. Guo graduated with a bachelor's degree in arts and a master's degree in economics from Department of Chinese Language and Literature of Peking University and Department of Finance of Central University of Finance and Economics, respectively.

11.3 Senior Management

During the Reporting Period and as of the Latest Practicable Date, details of senior management of the Company were as follows:

No.	Name	Gender	Year of Birth	Position	Beginning of the term of office
Current senior management					
1	Liang Qiang	M	1971	President	Since June 2021
2	Pang Xuefeng	M	1972	Member of senior management	Since June 2020
3	Wang Wenjie	M	1961	Vice President Perform the duties of the President	Since November 2014 From November 2020 to June 2021
4	Xu Yongli	M	1971	Vice President Secretary to the Board	Since April 2020 Since June 2020
5	Chen Yanqing	M	1963	Vice President	Since July 2019
6	Yang Pei	F	1963	Assistant to President	Since July 2019
7	Gao Gan	M	1967	Assistant to President	Since July 2019

Mr. Liang Qiang has been an executive Director of the Company since August 2021, and served as the president of the Company since June 2021. Details of the biography of Mr. Liang are set out in “11.1.1 Executive Directors”.

Mr. Pang Xuefeng has been a member of the senior management of the Company since June 2020. Mr. Pang started his career at the University of Science and Technology Beijing in July 1993, and he worked at the Organization Department of the Central Finance Working Committee, the Human Resources Department of CBRC, and the Human Resources and Education Department and the Life Insurance Supervision Department of CIRC; he served as a member of the Party Committee, assistant to the director, deputy director and secretary of the Discipline and Inspection Commission of Liaoning Bureau of CBRC, deputy director of the Insurance Intermediary Supervision Department of CIRC, and deputy director of Other Non-bank Financial Institution Supervision Department of CBRC. Mr. Pang graduated from the School of Management of University of Science and Technology Beijing with a bachelor’s degree in engineering and a master’s degree in administration.

Mr. Wang Wenjie has been an executive Director of the Company since December 2020, and served as a vice president of the Company since November 2014. Details of the biography of Mr. Wang are set out in “11.1.1 Executive Directors”.

Mr. Xu Yongli has been the vice president of the Company since April 2020, and served as the secretary to the Board of the Company since June 2020, and is an economist. Mr. Xu started his career at the Credit Department of Bank of China Head Office in 1993, and successively served as assistant general manager of the Market Development Department of China Orient Asset Management Company (中國東方資產管理公司), deputy general manager of Oriental Hotel Holdings Limited (in charge of work), deputy head of the liquidation group of MF Securities,

deputy general manager of Dongxing Securities Co., Ltd., general manager of Investment Business Department in China Orient Asset Management Company, general manager of Dongxing Securities Co., Ltd., assistant to president and vice president of China Orient Asset Management Company, and vice president of China Orient Assets Management Co., Ltd. Mr. Xu graduated from Central Institute of Finance and Banking majoring in finance with a bachelor's degree in economics in 1993.

Mr. Chen Yanqing has been the vice president of the Company since July 2019. He was accredited as a senior engineer by the Ministry of Machine Building in October 1996. Mr. Chen started his career in the Ministry of Machinery in August 1983 and consecutively served as the director officer of the National Machinery Committee and the Department of Engineering, Agriculture and Machinery of the Ministry of Machine Building and Electronics Industry, the secretary (at deputy director level) of the General Office of the Ministry of Machinery and the secretary (at director level) of the Office of the Head of the National Machinery Bureau from January 1987 to January 2000. Mr. Chen joined China Cinda Asset Management Corporation (currently known as China Cinda Asset Management Co., Ltd., "China Cinda") in January 2000, where he successively served as the deputy general manager of the Asset Management Department, the general manager of the Restructuring Business Department, the Market Development Department, the Group Synergy Department and the Corporate Management Department, the general manager of Shenzhen Branch and the chief officer of Shenzhen Regional Business, the general manager of the Human Resources Department and the head of the Organization Department of the Party Committee. He served as assistant to president of China Cinda from February 2016. Mr. Chen graduated from Anhui Institute of Technology (currently known as Hefei University of Technology) and obtained a bachelor's degree in engineering in 1983; he obtained a master's degree in engineering from Jiangsu University of Science and Technology (currently known as Jiangsu University) majoring in management engineering in 1998; he obtained an EMBA degree from Tsinghua University in 2010.

Ms. Yang Pei has been the assistant to the President of the Company since July 2019. She was named as senior economist by Industrial and Commercial Bank of China in September 1997 and obtained the qualification as lawyer in April 1989. Ms. Yang started her career at Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Head Office in August 1985, successively serving as deputy director of the Legal Division at the Administrative Office, director of the Legal Consultancy Division, director and deputy general manager of the Economic Dispute Management Division at the Legal Affairs Department of Industrial and Commercial Bank of China from December 1994 to December 1999. In December 1999, Ms. Yang joined the Company, successively serving as the deputy general manager, deputy general manager (in charge) and general manager of the Legal Affairs Department from December 1999 to March 2013; and serving as general manager of the Risk Management Department of the Company from March 2013 to January 2015. She served as chairman of the board of supervisors of Huarong Rongde Asset Management Co., Ltd. from January 2015 to September 2018; and has been serving as general manager of the Asset Preservation Department of the Company from September 2018 to August 2020, during which she also has been concurrently serving as general manager of the Legal Compliance Department of the Company from January 2019 to May 2019. She has been concurrently serving as director of the Board Office of the Company from June 2019 to September 2019. She acted on behalf and performed the duties of the secretary to the Board from August 2019 to June 2020. Ms. Yang was appointed as the chief risk officer of the Company by resolution of the Board in June 2021. Ms. Yang graduated from Wuhan University in July 1985 with a bachelor's degree in law and graduated from Renmin University of China in January 2004 with a master's degree in law.

Mr. Gao Gan has been the assistant to the President of the Company since July 2019. He obtained the qualification as senior economist from the Company in October 2001. He started his career at Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Head Office in July 1989, successively serving as head of the general division and deputy director of the general management division in Administrative Office of Industrial and Commercial Bank of China from September 1997 to January 2000. In January 2000, Mr. Gao joined the Company, and successively served as deputy director, senior manager and director assistant at the President's Office from January 2000 to April 2002; successively as deputy general manager and deputy general manager (in charge) of the Asset Management Department II from April 2002 to July 2006; as general manager of the Shenyang office from July 2006 to October 2008; and as director of the restructuring office of China Huarong Asset Management Corporation from October 2008 to March 2009. He served as president of Huarong Real Estate Co., Ltd. (currently known as Huarong Industrial Investment & Management Co., Ltd. (華融實業投資管理有限公司)) from March 2009 to August 2012, as well as general manager of the Equity Management Department of the Company (renamed Equity Business Department in September 2013) from August 2012 to October 2019, during which he served as chairman of Huarong Ruitong Equity Investment Co., Ltd. from January 2017 to October 2019, and as chairman of Huarong Real Estate Co., Ltd. (currently known as Huarong Industrial Investment & Management Co., Ltd.) from July 2018 to July 2019 and has been concurrently serving as chairman of Huarong (HK) Industrial and Financial Investment Limited from July 2018 to March 2021. Mr. Gao graduated from Peking University in July 1989 with a bachelor's degree in history and graduated from the School of Economics and Management of Tsinghua University in January 2005 with an MBA degree.

11.4 Changes in Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management

11.4.1 Changes in Directors

On June 29, 2021, Mr. Liang Qiang was nominated as an executive Director of the Company by the Board of the Company. On August 17, 2021, Mr. Liang Qiang was appointed as an executive Director of the Company at the first extraordinary general meeting for 2021 of the Company. For details, please refer to the announcements and circulars of the Company dated June 29, 2021, July 2, 2021 and August 17, 2021.

On March 23, 2021, Mr. Tse Hau Yin resigned as an independent non-executive Director, member of the Strategy and Development Committee of the Board and Related Party Transaction Committee, chairman of the Audit Committee of the Board of the Company. His resignation shall take effect after the commencement of terms of office of the new independent non-executive Director and the chairman of the Audit Committee of the Board. For details, please refer to the announcement of the Company dated March 23, 2021.

On March 1, 2022, Mr. Xu Nuo resigned as a non-executive Director and the member of each of the Strategy and Development Committee, Risk Management Committee and Audit Committee of the Board of the Company. Such resignation took effect on March 1, 2022. For details, please refer to the announcement of the Company dated March 1, 2022.

11.4.2 Changes in Supervisors

On May 13, 2021, Ms. Zheng Shengqin resigned as an employee representative Supervisor of the Company due to change of her work arrangements. Ms. Guo Jinghua was elected as an employee representative Supervisor of the third session of the Board of Supervisors of the Company at the ninth meeting of the third session of the employee representative meeting of the Company. For details, please refer to the announcement of the Company dated May 13, 2021.

On January 27, 2022, Mr. Cheng Fengchao resigned as an external supervisor and chairman of the Supervision Committee under the Board of Supervisors of the Company due to change of his work arrangements. His resignation will be effective upon the election of a new external supervisor to fill his vacancy at the general meeting.

11.4.3 Changes in Senior Management

On June 29, 2021, the Board of the Company appointed Mr. Liang Qiang as the president of the Company. For details, please refer to the announcement of the Company dated June 29, 2021.

11.4.4 Annual Remuneration

11.4.4.1 Remuneration of Directors, Supervisors and senior management

Details of the remuneration of the Directors, Supervisors and senior management of the Company are set out in “17. Audit Report and Financial Statements — V. Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements — 17. Emoluments of Directors and Supervisors”. The remuneration of the above Directors, Supervisors and senior management of the Company for 2021 have not yet been finalized in accordance with regulations of the relevant authorities in the PRC. Further disclosure will be made when the final compensation packages are determined.

11.4.4.2 Highest paid individuals

Details of the emoluments of the five highest paid individuals of the Company during the Reporting Period are set out in “17. Audit Report and Financial Statements — V. Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements — 18. Five highest paid individuals”.

12. Corporate Governance Report

12.1 Summary of Corporate Governance

During the Reporting Period, in compliance with the Company Law of the People's Republic of China, the Securities Law of the People's Republic of China, the Listing Rules and other laws and regulations, regulatory documents and the Articles of Association, the Company constantly enhanced its corporate governance structure construction and mechanism construction to improve corporate governance level, strengthened internal control and management, improved the overall risk management system, standardized information disclosure and improved the level of investor relations management. These actions boosted the implementation of major strategies, maintained healthy and sustainable development of the Company, and created fruitful returns for the shareholders.

12.1.1 Corporate Governance Code

During the Reporting Period, the Board has reviewed the disclosures in the Corporate Governance Report, and confirmed that the Company had complied with the code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code contained in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules and adopted the applicable recommended best practices according to actual situations.

During the Reporting Period, the Board of the Company performed the corporate governance functions within the terms of reference as set out in Rule D.3.1 (which has been re-numbered as A.2.1 since January 1, 2022) of the Corporate Governance Code contained in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules through the special committees of the Board, specifically including: first, it further amended the Articles of Association, the Rules of Procedures of the Shareholders' General Meeting, the Rules of Procedures of the Meetings of the Board of Directors and the Rules of Procedures of the Meetings of the Board of Supervisors under the regulatory requirements; second, it intensified training of Directors and senior management and their professional development; third, it made constant efforts to evaluate and improve corporate governance, and strictly met the requirements of corporate governance in its work.

12.1.2 Amendment of the Articles of Association

During the Reporting Period, the Company received the Approval of the CBIRC in relation to the Amendments to the Articles of Association of China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd. (Yin Bao Jian Fu [2021] No. 939) (中國銀保監會關於中國華融資產管理股份有限公司修改公司章程的批覆(銀保監覆[2021]939號)), which approved the amended Articles of Association. For details, please refer to the announcement published by the Company dated December 6, 2021.

12.2 Shareholders' General Meetings

12.2.1 Responsibilities of the Shareholders' General Meeting

The Shareholders' general meeting is the organ of authority of the Company and shall exercise the following functions and powers: (1) to decide the Company's operating policies and annual investment plans; (2) to elect and replace the Directors and Supervisors who are not representative of the employees of the Company and to determine the emoluments of Directors and Supervisors; (3) to consider and approve the reports of the Board; (4) to consider and approve the reports of the

Board of Supervisors; (5) to consider and approve the annual financial budget and final accounts of the Company; (6) to consider and approve the profit distribution plan and loss recovery plan of the Company; (7) to consider and approve any motion raised by Shareholder(s), individually or jointly holding 3% or more of the total issued Shares of the Company with voting rights; (8) to resolve on any increase or decrease in registered capital of the Company; (9) to resolve on the issuance of corporate bonds, any class of Shares, warrants or other marketable securities of the Company and their listing; (10) to resolve on matters related to merger, division, dissolution, liquidation or change of organization of the Company; (11) to amend the Articles of Association, the rules of procedures of the Shareholders' general meeting, and of the meetings of the Board and the Board of Supervisors; (12) to decide the engagement, dismissal or termination of accounting firms of the Company responsible for the regular statutory audit for the financial reports of the Company; (13) to resolve on the repurchase of the Shares of the Company due to the circumstances in Clauses (1) and (2) of Paragraph 1 of Article 28 of the Articles of Association; (14) to consider and approve major investment and disposal of equity interests, investment and disposal of debentures, financing, pledges, mortgage and guarantee of assets, purchase and disposal of fixed assets, disposal of DES Assets, write-off of assets, major decisions of legal corporations and donations of the Company; (15) to consider and approve matters in relation to the change of use of the raised funds; (16) to consider and approve share incentive schemes; (17) to consider and approve any purchase or disposal of major assets or provisions of guarantees with aggregate value of more than 30% of the total assets of the Company within a period of a year; (18) to consider and approve related party transactions required to be considered and approved by Shareholders' general meeting under the laws, regulations, regulatory documents and relevant requirements of the securities regulatory authorities of the place(s) where the Company's Shares are listed and the Articles of Association; (19) to consider and approve the liability insurance of Directors and Supervisors; and (20) to consider and approve all other matters which are required to be determined by Shareholders' general meeting under the laws, regulations, regulatory documents, relevant requirements of the securities regulatory authorities of the place(s) where the Company's Shares are listed and the Articles of Association.

12.2.2 Details of Shareholders' General Meetings

During the Reporting Period, the Company held four Shareholders' general meetings in Beijing, including one annual general meeting and three extraordinary general meetings, which considered and approved 30 resolutions, and heard one report. The Company strictly complied with the legal procedures applicable to Shareholders' general meetings which Shareholders or their proxies attended and exercised their rights. The Company engaged PRC legal counsels to attend and witness Shareholders' general meetings and to provide legal opinion. Material matters include: consideration and approval of the final account plan of the Company for 2020; consideration and approval of the profit distribution plan of the Company for 2020; consideration and approval of the work report of the Board and the work report of the Board of Supervisors for 2020; consideration and approval of the amendment of the Articles of Association, the Rules of Procedures of the Shareholders' General Meeting, the Rules of Procedures of the Meetings of the Board of Directors and the Rules of Procedures of the Meetings of the Board of Supervisors; consideration and approval of the Company's plans of non-public issuance of Domestic Shares and H Shares.

12.2.3 Shareholders' Rights

12.2.3.1 Right to propose to convene extraordinary general meeting

Shareholders who individually or jointly hold 10% or more of the Shares of the Company with voting rights shall have the right to request the Board to convene an extraordinary general meeting or class meeting in writing. The Board shall reply in writing as to whether or not it agrees to convene such extraordinary general meeting within 10 days upon receipt of the proposal in accordance with laws, regulations, regulatory documents and the Articles of Association. If the Board agrees to convene an extraordinary general meeting or class meeting, a notice of such meeting shall be issued within 5 days after the resolution of the Board is passed. If the Board does not agree to convene an extraordinary general meeting or class meeting, or fails to give its response within 10 days upon receipt of the proposal, the requesting Shareholders may propose to the Board of Supervisors to convene an extraordinary general meeting or class meeting in writing. If the Board of Supervisors agrees to convene an extraordinary general meeting, a notice of such meeting shall be issued within 5 days upon receipt of the proposal. If the Board of Supervisors does not issue the notice of such meeting within the prescribed period, it shall be deemed that the Shareholders' general meeting will not be convened and presided over by the Board of Supervisors. In such circumstances, Shareholders who individually or jointly hold 10% or more of the Company's total Shares with voting rights for not less than 90 consecutive days may have the discretion to convene and preside over the meeting.

12.2.3.2 Right to submit proposals at the Shareholders' general meeting

Shareholders holding 3% or more, individually or jointly, of the Shares with voting rights of the Company shall have the right to submit proposals to the Company in writing. The Company shall include such proposals within the scope of authority of the Shareholders' general meeting in the agenda of such meeting. Shareholders holding 3% or more, individually or jointly, of the Shares with voting rights of the Company shall have the right to submit interim proposals in writing 10 days before the Shareholders' general meeting to the convener of such meeting. The convener shall issue supplemental notice within 2 days upon receiving such proposals to notify other Shareholders of the interim proposals, and include such proposals within the scope of authority of the Shareholders' general meeting, which contain specific topics for discussion and resolutions of specific issues, in the agenda of such meeting.

12.2.3.3 Right to propose to convene extraordinary meeting of the Board

The chairman of the Board shall issue a notice to convene an extraordinary meeting of the Board within 10 days from the date of receipt of the request of the Shareholders who, individually or jointly, hold 10% or more of the Shares with voting rights of the Company.

12.2.3.4 Right to submit proposals for Board meetings

Shareholders who individually or jointly hold 10% or more of the Shares with voting rights may submit proposals to the Board.

12.2.3.5 Shareholders' right to raise proposal and enquiry

Shareholders shall have the right to supervise the Company's business operation, and to present proposals or to raise enquires. Shareholders are entitled to inspect the Articles of Association, the register of members, the state of Company's share capital and minutes of Shareholders' general meetings of the Company. Shareholders may raise their enquiry or proposal to the Board Office by mail to the registered address of the Company, or by email to the Company. In addition, Shareholders may contact Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, the share registrar of the H Shares of the Company, regarding any enquiry on shares or rights (if any), the contact information of which is set out in Corporate Information in this results announcement.

12.2.3.6 Other rights

Shareholders shall have the right to dividends and other distribution in proportion to the number of Shares held and other rights conferred by the laws, regulations, regulatory documents and the Articles of Association.

12.2.4 Attendance of Directors at Shareholders' General Meetings

Directors' attendance at shareholders' general meetings in 2021 is set out in the following table:

Members of the Board	Number of meetings attended/required to attend	Attendance rate
Executive Director		
Wang Zhanfeng	4/4	100%
Liang Qiang	2/3	67%
Wang Wenjie	4/4	100%
Non-executive Director		
Zhao Jiangping	3/4	75%
Zheng Jiangping	3/4	75%
Xu Nuo	3/4	75%
Zhou Langlang	3/3	100%
Independent non-executive Director		
Tse Hau Yin	3/4	75%
Shao Jingchun	4/4	100%
Zhu Ning	1/4	25%
Chen Yuanling	2/4	50%

Notes:

1. Changes in Directors are set out in "11. Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management — 11.4 Changes in Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management".
2. Attendance includes on-site attendance and attendance by telephone or by video conference.
3. Attendance rate is the percentage of the number of meetings attended to the number of meetings required to attend.

12.2.5 Independence from Controlling Shareholder

The Company is independent from its controlling shareholder in operation, personnel, assets, organization and finance. The Company is an independent legal person and is financially independent. The Company has its own independent and complete business and can operate independently.

12.3 Board of Directors

12.3.1 Composition and Responsibilities of the Board

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the Board had ten Directors, including three executive Directors, namely Mr. Wang Zhanfeng (chairman), Mr. Liang Qiang (president) and Mr. Wang Wenjie (vice president); three non-executive Directors, namely Ms. Zhao Jiangping, Mr. Zheng Jiangping and Mr. Zhou Langlang; and four independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Tse Hau Yin, Mr. Shao Jingchun, Mr. Zhu Ning and Ms. Chen Yuanling. The term of office of Directors will last until the election of the next session of Board of Directors.

During the Reporting Period and to the date of publication of this annual results announcement, the Board has complied with Rules 3.10(1) and 3.10(2) of the Listing Rules, pursuant to which the Board must have not less than three independent non-executive Directors and at least one of the independent non-executive Directors has the requisite appropriate professional qualification or accounting or the relevant financial management expertise. Meanwhile, the Company has also complied with Rule 3.10A of the Listing Rules which stipulates that the number of independent non-executive Directors appointed by a listed company shall not be less than one third of the Board.

The Board is accountable to the Shareholders' general meeting in accordance with the Articles of Association. The major duties of the Board include: (1) to convene and report its work to the Shareholders' general meeting; (2) to implement the resolutions of the Shareholders' general meeting; (3) to determine the operation plans, development strategies and investment proposals of the Company and supervise the implementation thereof; (4) to formulate capital plans; (5) to formulate annual financial budget and final accounts of the Company; (6) to formulate profit distribution plan and loss recovery plan of the Company; (7) to formulate proposals for increases or reductions of the registered capital of the Company; (8) to formulate plans for the merger, division, changes of organization and dissolution of the Company; (9) to formulate proposals for the issuance of corporate bonds, any classes of Shares, warrants or other marketable securities by the Company and its listing; (10) to formulate plans for the repurchase of Shares of the Company under the circumstances set out in (1) and (2) of paragraph 1 of Article 28 of the Articles of Association; (11) to resolve on the repurchase of Shares of the Company under the circumstances set out in (3), (5) and (6) of paragraph 1 of Article 28 of the Articles of Association; (12) to formulate the amendments to the Articles of Association, the rules of procedures of the Shareholders' general meeting and Board meeting; (13) to consider and approve the terms of reference of the president submitted by the president; (14) to appoint or remove the president of the Company and the secretary to the Board; (15) to appoint or remove vice president and other senior management members (excluding secretary to the Board) as nominated by the president; (16) based on the proposal of Shareholders individually or jointly holding 10% or more Shares of the Company with voting rights, chairman of the Board and at least one-third of the Directors, to elect the chairman

and members of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee; based on the nomination of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, to elect the chairman (other than the chairman of the Strategy and Development Committee) and members of other special committees of the Board; (17) to propose the performance appraisal system and remuneration packages for Directors to the Shareholders' general meeting for approval; (18) to determine the compensation, performance appraisal, incentive and punishment of the senior management members and director of the internal audit department of the Company; (19) to formulate the basic management system of the Company; to determine the compliance and internal control policies of the Company and formulate systems in relation to internal control and compliance management as well as internal audit of the Company; (20) to determine the structure of internal management departments of the Company; (21) to regularly evaluate and improve the corporate governance of the Company; (22) to formulate share incentive scheme; (23) to manage matters in relation to information disclosure and management of investors' relations of the Company, and assume ultimate responsibility for the truthfulness, accuracy, completeness and timeliness of the accounting and financial reports of the Company; (24) to propose the appointment, removal or termination of appointment of accounting firm to the Shareholders' general meeting; (25) to consider and approve, or authorize the Related Party Transactions Control Committee of the Board to approve related party transactions, except for those which shall be considered and approved by Shareholders' general meeting according to law; (26) within the scope of authorization of Shareholders' general meeting, to consider and approve the investment and disposal of equity interests, investment and disposal of debentures, financing, pledges and mortgage and guarantee of assets, purchases and disposal of fixed assets, disposal of DES Assets, write-off of assets, major decisions of legal corporations and external donations; (27) to consider and approve the proposals of special committees of the Board; (28) to listen to the work report of the president to ensure that each Director obtains the information related to the performance of his/her duties in accordance with the regulatory requirement in a timely manner; to review the work of senior management; to monitor and ensure their effective performance of management duties; (29) to review the execution and rectification of regulation opinions against the Company by the banking regulators of the State Council; (30) the establishment of the first class branches of the Company inside and outside the PRC; (31) to consider the liability insurance of senior management; (32) to approve the Company's internal audit charter, long and medium-term audit plans, annual work plans and audit budget; determine the establishment of internal audit system, compensation of internal auditors, appointment and removal of major persons-in-charge; and (33) to perform other duties as required by laws, regulations, regulatory documents, the securities regulatory authority of the place(s) where the Shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association, and other matters as authorized by Shareholders' general meeting.

12.3.2 Board Meetings

In 2021, the Board of Directors held 9 meetings, including 4 regular meetings and 5 extraordinary meetings. 58 resolutions were passed and 17 work reports were heard at the meetings. Among the resolutions passed, there were 30 resolutions on operation and management matters, 9 resolutions on system establishment, 4 resolutions on personnel management and 15 other resolutions. Among above resolutions, the major issues included: reviewing and approving the final accounts plan and the profit distribution plan for 2020 and the fixed assets investment budget for 2021 of the Company; reviewing and approving the 2020 Annual Report (Annual Results Announcement), social responsibility report for 2020 and 2021 Interim Report (Interim Results Announcement) of the Company; reviewing and approving the extension of the validity period of tier II capital bonds resolution of the Company; reviewing and approving the work report of the Board for 2020; reviewing and approving the launch of the strategic investors introduction and capital increase project, and listening to the report of the Company on related party transaction management and risk management.

In addition, the Board conducted self-evaluation on the effectiveness of the internal control of the Group during the Reporting Period. Details are set out in “13. Internal Control”.

12.3.3 Attendance of Board Meetings

Directors’ attendance at Board meetings in 2021:

Members	Number of meetings attended/ required to attend	Attendance rate
Executive Directors		
Wang Zhanfeng	9/9	100%
Liang Qiang	6/6	100%
Wang Wenjie	9/9	100%
Non-executive Directors		
Zhao Jiangping	9/9	100%
Zheng Jiangping	9/9	100%
Xu Nuo	9/9	100%
Zhou Langlang	7/7	100%
Independent non-executive Directors		
Tse Hau Yin	9/9	100%
Shao Jingchun	9/9	100%
Zhu Ning	9/9	100%
Chen Yuanling	9/9	100%

Notes:

1. Changes in Directors are set out in “11. Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management — 11.4 Changes in Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management”.
2. Attendance includes physical attendance and attendance by telephone and video conference.
3. Attendance rate is the percentage of number of meetings attended to the number of meetings required to attend.

12.4 Special Committees of the Board

The Board of the Company has five special committees, namely, the Strategy and Development Committee, Risk Management Committee, Related Party Transaction Committee, Audit Committee, and the Nomination and Remuneration Committee.

12.4.1 Strategy and Development Committee

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the Strategy and Development Committee of the Company consisted of ten Directors. The chairman was acted by Mr. Wang Zhanfeng, the chairman of the Board. The members included executive Directors Mr. Liang Qiang and Mr. Wang Wenjie, non-executive Directors Ms. Zhao Jiangping, Mr. Zheng Jiangping and Mr. Zhou Langlang, and independent non-executive Directors Mr. Tse Hau Yin, Mr. Shao Jingchun, Mr. Zhu Ning and Ms. Chen Yuanling.

The major duties and authorities of the Strategy and Development Committee include, but are not limited to, the following: to review the operational target and general strategic development plan of the Company and to make recommendations to the Board; to assess factors that may affect the strategic development plan of the Company and its implementation and make recommendations on adjustment of the strategic plan to the Board in a timely manner based on the economic and financial conditions and market trends in the PRC and overseas; to review the annual financial budget and final accounts based on the development strategy, and make recommendations thereon to the Board; to assess the overall development status of various businesses and make suggestions on adjustment of the strategic development plan to the Board in a timely manner; to review the implementation of the business plan and investment plan of the Company, and the strategic asset allocation and the asset liability management objectives of the Company, and make recommendations thereon to the Board; to review major restructuring and adjustment proposals, and make recommendations thereon to the Board; to review major investment and financing plans and other matters such as the acquisition, disposal and write-off of assets and provision of guarantees to external parties that are subject to the approval of the general meeting of Shareholders and the Board, and make recommendations thereon to the Board; to review those plans for the establishment of any legal entity and the merger with or acquisition of any entity that are subject to the approval of the general meeting of Shareholders and the Board, and make recommendations thereon to the Board; to review the establishment and adjustment plan of the Company's internal functional departments and first level sub-branches as well as other institutions directly under the control of the Company and make recommendations thereon to the Board; to review plans such as information technology development and other special strategic development plans, and make recommendations thereon to the Board; to examine and assess the soundness of the corporate governance structure of the Company in order to ensure that the financial reports, risk management and internal controls are in compliance with corporate governance standards; and to perform such other duties as stipulated by laws, regulations, regulatory documents, the securities regulatory authorities in place(s) where the Shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association and other matters as authorized by the Board.

In 2021, the Strategy and Development Committee convened ten meetings in total to consider 26 resolutions and reports, including the fixed assets investment budget of the Company for 2021 and the business plan for 2021 of the Company, etc.

Attendance of members at Strategy and Development Committee meetings in 2021:

Members	Number of meetings attended/ required to attend	Attendance rate
Wang Zhanfeng	10/10	100%
Liang Qiang	5/5	100%
Wang Wenjie	10/10	100%
Zhao Jiangping	10/10	100%
Zheng Jiangping	10/10	100%
Xu Nuo	10/10	100%
Zhou Langlang	8/8	100%
Tse Hau Yin	10/10	100%
Shao Jingchun	10/10	100%
Zhu Ning	10/10	100%
Chen Yuanling	10/10	100%

Notes:

1. Changes in Directors are set out in “11. Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management — 11.4 Changes in Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management”.
2. Attendance includes physical attendance and attendance by telephone and video conference.
3. Attendance rate is the percentage of number of meetings attended to the number of meetings required to attend.

12.4.2 Risk Management Committee

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the Risk Management Committee of the Company consisted of four Directors. The chairman was acted by Ms. Zhao Jiangping, a non-executive Director. The members included executive Director Mr. Wang Wenjie, non-executive Directors Mr. Zheng Jiangping and independent non-executive Director Ms. Chen Yuanling.

The main duties of the Risk Management Committee include, but are not limited to, the following: to review the framework, basic policies, procedures and system of risk management of the Company according to the general strategy of the Company, supervise the implementation and effectiveness of the risk strategy, risk management procedures and internal control process of the Company, and make recommendations thereon to the Board; to supervise the deployment, organizational structure, working procedure and effectiveness of risk management department, and make recommendations thereon to the Board; to review the risk capital allocation plan, capital adequacy ratio management target, assets classification criteria and risk provision policy of the Company, and submit the same to the Board for consideration; to review and supervise the implementation of capital plans and make recommendations on the information disclosure regarding capital adequacy ratio; to review the annual risk management target and annual risk management plan submitted by the senior management, submit the same to the Board for approval before implementation and supervise their implementation; to review the duties, authority and reporting system of the senior management in relation to risks, and submit the same to the Board for approval before implementation; to procure the senior management to adopt necessary measures to effectively identify, assess, detect and

control risks, supervise and appraise the performance of the senior management in controlling risks associated with credit, market and operation, and make recommendations thereon to the Board; to make recommendations on improving the risk management and internal control of the Company from the perspective of the Company and the general environment; to assess the risk profile of the Company on a regular basis and make recommendations thereon to the Board; to review those major risk management matters or transactions that exceed the authority of the president and submitted by the president to this committee for review, and make recommendations thereon to the Board; to supervise the legal and compliance management work; to review legal and compliance policies and related basic management systems and make recommendations thereon, and submit the same to the Board for consideration and approval; to hear and review the implementation of the legal and compliance policies; and other matters as required by the laws, regulations and regulatory documents, the securities regulatory authorities of the place(s) where the Shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association and as authorized by the Board of Directors.

In 2021, the Risk Management Committee convened five meetings in total to consider and listen to 11 resolutions and reports, including the work summary in 2020 and work plan for 2021 of the Risk Management Committee of the Company and amendments to the Fundamental Systems of Risk Management, etc.

Attendance of members at Risk Management Committee meetings in 2021:

Members	Number of meetings attended/required to attend	Attendance rate
Zhao Jiangping	5/5	100%
Wang Wenjie	5/5	100%
Zheng Jiangping	5/5	100%
Xu Nuo	5/5	100%
Chen Yuanling	5/5	100%

Notes:

1. Changes in Directors are set out in “11. Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management — 11.4 Changes in Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management”.
2. Attendance includes physical attendance and attendance by telephone and video conference.
3. Attendance rate is the percentage of number of meetings attended to the number of meetings required to attend.

12.4.3 Related Party Transaction Committee

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the Related Party Transaction Committee of the Company consisted of four Directors. The chairman was acted by Mr. Shao Jingchun, an independent non-executive Director. The members included non-executive Director Mr. Zheng Jiangping and independent non-executive Directors Mr. Tse Hau Yin and Mr. Zhu Ning.

The main duties of the Related Party Transaction Committee include but are not limited to the following: to review the basic management system of related party transactions, supervise its implementation and make recommendations to the Board of Directors; to recognize the related parties of the Company, report to the Board of Directors and the Board of Supervisors, and timely disclose to the relevant personnel of the Company; to conduct preliminary review of the related party transactions which should be approved by the Board of Directors or the Shareholders' general meeting and submit them to the Board of Directors for approval; within the scope authorized by the Board of Directors, to consider and approve related party transactions and other matters associated with related party transactions; to accept the related party transactions record and review the information disclosure matters of the Company's significant related party transactions; to consider and approve the annual related party transactions management report and report it to the Board of Directors; and other matters as required by the laws, regulations and regulatory documents, the securities regulatory authorities of the place(s) where the Shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association and as authorized by the Board of Directors.

In 2021, the Related Party Transaction Committee convened five meetings in total to consider and listen to 13 resolutions and reports, including the related party transaction management of the Company for 2020, and work summary in 2020 and work plan for 2021 of the Related Party Transaction Committee, etc.

Attendance of members at Related Party Transaction Committee meetings in 2021:

Members	Number of meetings attended/ required to attend	Attendance rate
Shao Jingchun	5/5	100%
Zheng Jiangping	5/5	100%
Tse Hau Yin	5/5	100%
Zhu Ning	5/5	100%

Notes:

1. Changes in Directors are set out in "11. Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management — 11.4 Changes in Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management".
2. Attendance includes physical attendance and attendance by telephone and video conference.
3. Attendance rate is the percentage of number of meetings attended to the number of meetings required to attend.

12.4.4 Audit Committee

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the Audit Committee of the Company comprised four Directors. The chairman was acted by Mr. Tse Hau Yin, an independent non-executive Director. The members included non-executive Director Ms. Zhao Jiangping, and independent non-executive Directors Mr. Shao Jingchun and Ms. Chen Yuanling.

The main duties of the Audit Committee include but are not limited to the following: to supervise the Company's internal control, the Company's core business and the establishment and implementation of management rules and regulations, assess the compliance and effectiveness of the Company's major business activities; to supervise the Company's financial information and its disclosure, major financial policies of the Company and its implementation and financial operation status; to monitor the authenticity of financial reports and the effectiveness of management's implementation of financial reporting procedures; to review the basic management rules and regulations of the Company's auditing, medium and long-term auditing planning, annual work plan and internal audit system setting program, make recommendations to the Board of Directors; to supervise and evaluate the internal auditing work of the Company, to supervise the implementation of the internal audit system of the Company; to evaluate the working procedures and work effectiveness of the internal audit department; to propose to engage, further engage or replace the external auditing institution, approve the clauses on its remuneration and engagement, report to the Board of Directors for deliberation, and take appropriate measures to supervise the work of the external auditing institution, and examine the reports of the external auditing institution to ensure the ultimate responsibility of the external auditing institution towards the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee; to review the accounting firm's annual audit reports and other special opinions, audited financial and accounting reports, other financial and accounting reports and other financial information to be disclosed; to make judgments on the authenticity, completeness and accuracy of the audited financial report information and submit them to the Board for deliberation; to coordinate the communication between the internal audit department and the external auditing institution; and other matters as required by the laws, regulations and regulatory documents, the securities regulatory authorities of the place(s) where the Shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association and as authorized by the Board of Directors.

In 2021, the Audit Committee convened six meetings in total to consider and listen to 20 resolutions and reports, including the final accounts of the Company for 2020, the profit distribution plan of the Company for 2020, the financial statements and audit report of the Company for 2020.

Attendance of members at Audit Committee meetings in 2021:

Members	Number of meetings attended/ required to attend	Attendance rate
Tse Hau Yin	6/6	100%
Zhao Jiangping	6/6	100%
Xu Nuo	6/6	100%
Shao Jingchun	6/6	100%
Chen Yuanling	6/6	100%

Notes:

1. Changes in Directors are set out in “11. Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management — 11.4 Changes in Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management”.
2. Attendance includes physical attendance and attendance by telephone and video conference.
3. Attendance rate is the percentage of number of meetings attended to the number of meetings required to attend.

12.4.5 Nomination and Remuneration Committee

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the Nomination and Remuneration Committee of the Company consisted of three Directors. The chairman was acted by Mr. Zhu Ning, an independent non-executive Director. The members included non-executive Director Mr. Zheng Jiangping and independent non-executive Director Mr. Shao Jingchun.

The main responsibilities of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee include, but are not limited to: to review the strategic development plan of human resources and make recommendations to the Board of Directors; to make recommendations to the Board of Directors on the candidates for the Directors, the President and the secretary to the Board of Directors; to formulate the procedure and standard for election and appointment of Directors, chairman and members of the special committees of the Board and senior management and make recommendations to the Board of Directors; to conduct preliminary review of the qualifications of Directors and senior management candidates and make recommendations to the Board of Directors; to nominate chairmen of special committees under the Board of Directors (except for the chairman of the Strategy and Development Committee) and member candidates; to formulate performance appraisal system and remuneration packages for the Directors, and evaluate the performance and behavior of the Directors, and submit them to the Shareholders’ general meeting for determination after reporting to and approval by the Board of Directors; to formulate and review the performance appraisal system and remuneration packages for the senior management and the head of internal audit department of the Company, evaluate the performance and behavior of senior management and submit them to the Board of Directors for approval; to consider the major human resources and remuneration policies and management systems submitted by the senior management and to be approved by the Board of Directors or Shareholders’ general meeting, submit them to the Board of Directors for decision-making and monitor the implementation of relevant policies and management systems; and other matters as required by the laws, regulations, regulatory documents, the securities regulatory authorities of the place(s) where the Shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association and as authorized by the Board of Directors.

In 2021, the Nomination and Remuneration Committee convened four meetings in total to consider and listen to eight resolutions and reports, including the nomination of Mr. Liang Qiang as the Candidate for Executive Director of the Third Session of the Board of Directors of the Company, and the nomination of Ms. Yang Pei as the Chief Risk Officer of the Company.

Attendance of members at Nomination and Remuneration Committee meetings in 2021:

Members	Number of meetings attended/required to attend	Attendance rate
Zhu Ning	4/4	100%
Zheng Jiangping	4/4	100%
Shao Jingchun	4/4	100%

Notes:

1. Changes in Directors are set out in “11. Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management — 11.4 Changes in Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management”.
2. Attendance includes physical attendance and attendance by telephone and video conference.
3. Attendance rate is the percentage of number of meetings attended to the number of meetings required to attend.

The procedures of nominating candidates and the selection and recommendation criteria of Directors are as follows:

Candidates for Directors or independent non-executive Directors shall be nominated by way of proposals with their detailed information, which shall include personal particulars such as education background, working experience and any part-time positions; whether there is any connected relationship with the Company or the controlling Shareholders and actual controller of the Company; their shareholdings in the Company; and whether there are any penalties imposed by the securities regulatory authorities of the State Council and other relevant authorities and/or punishments imposed by the stock exchange;

A candidate for Director shall, at least 14 days prior to the convening of the Shareholders’ general meeting, give a written undertaking letter indicating that he/she agrees to accept the nomination and that the personal information as publicly disclosed is true and complete, and warrants that he/she will duly perform his/her obligations as a Director after he/she is elected. A written notice of the candidate’s willingness to be elected shall have a notice period of no less than seven days, and shall be delivered to the Company no later than seven days prior to the convening of the Shareholder’s general meeting and no earlier than the day after issue date on which the notice of such meeting for the election is delivered;

The Board shall disclose the detailed information on the candidates of Directors to the Shareholders at least seven days before the convening of the Shareholder’s general meeting to ensure Shareholders to obtain adequate knowledge about the candidates when casting their votes;

The Shareholders’ general meeting shall vote on the election of the candidates of Directors one by one; and

A candidate for Director shall act as a Director upon the consideration and approval of the Shareholders' general meeting with his/her qualification verified by the regulatory authorities.

To improve the effectiveness of the Board and the standard of corporate governance, the Company formulated the Board Diversification Policy. The composition of the Board reflects the appropriate balance between the requisite skills, experience and diverse perspectives to ensure an effective leadership and independent decision-making ability of the Company. The Board shall have appropriate number of executive Directors and non-executive Directors, including independent non-executive Directors, so as to enable the members of the Board to be independent and make judgment in an effective manner.

When selecting the candidates, the Nomination and Remuneration Committee will consider (among other things) the composition diversity of the Board and various other factors such as gender, age, cultural and educational background, professional experience, skills, knowledge and/or terms of service, to ensure that the members of the Board possess appropriate skills, experience and diversified perspectives and opinions.

In order to implement the Board diversity policy, the following measurable goals have been achieved:

1. More than one-third of the board of directors are independent non-executive directors;
2. At least one independent non-executive directors has professional qualifications that meet regulatory requirements;
3. At least one member of the Board is female.

12.5 Board of Supervisors

12.5.1 Duties of the Board of Supervisors

The Board of Supervisors is a supervisory entity of the Company, and shall be accountable and report to the Shareholders' general meeting in accordance with the Articles of Association. The Board of Supervisors shall mainly perform the following duties: (1) to examine and oversee the Company's financial conditions, and review financial information including the financial reports and profit distribution plan; (2) to formulate the procedural rules of the Board of Supervisors or to formulate amendments to the procedural rules of the Board of Supervisors; (3) to nominate Shareholder Representative Supervisors, external Supervisors and independent Directors, to supervise the election and appointment process of Directors; (4) to supervise the Directors and senior management in their performance of their duties and to propose the removal of Directors and senior management who have violated laws, regulations, the Articles of Association or the resolutions of the Shareholders' general meeting; (5) when the acts of Directors and senior management are harmful to the Company's interests, to require correction of those acts; (6) to negotiate with Directors on behalf of the Company or to initiate litigation against Directors or senior management in accordance with the Company Law; (7) to supervise the scientificity and rationality of the Company's remuneration management system and policies and the remuneration schemes of senior management; (8) to propose to convene an extraordinary meeting of the

Board; (9) to propose the convening of extraordinary general meetings of Shareholders and convene and preside over Shareholders' general meetings when the Board fails to perform the duty of convening and presiding over Shareholders' general meeting under laws, regulations and the Articles of Association; (10) to initiate proposals to Shareholders' general meeting; (11) to formulate the performance appraisal system and remuneration packages of Supervisors and carry out appraisal and assessment of Supervisors for approval at the Shareholders' general meeting; (12) to monitor and inspect the business decision-making, risk management and internal control of the Company and urge rectification thereof; (13) to supervise and guide the work of the internal audit department of the Company; (14) to perform other duties as required by laws, regulations, regulatory documents, the securities regulatory authorities of the place(s) where the Shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association.

12.5.2 Composition of the Board of Supervisors

The Board of Supervisors of the Company comprises Shareholder Representative Supervisors, external Supervisors and employee representative Supervisors, of which the Shareholder Representative Supervisors and external Supervisors are elected at the Shareholders' general meeting and the employee representative Supervisors are elected at the employee representative meeting and other democratic procedures. The term of office of a Supervisor shall be 3 years commencing from the date when it is passed by the resolution at the Shareholders' general meeting or elected at the employee representative meeting and other democratic procedures. Supervisors may be re-elected after the expiry of his/her term of office.

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the Board of Supervisors of the Company comprised five Supervisors, including a Shareholder Representative Supervisor, namely Mr. Hu Jianzhong, two external Supervisors, namely Mr. Cheng Fengchao and Mr. Han Xiangrong, and two employee representative Supervisors, namely Ms. Sun Hongbo and Ms. Guo Jinghua.

12.5.3 Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

Mr. Hu Jianzhong has been the chairman of the Board of Supervisors and he is responsible for organizing the performance of duties of the Board of Supervisors in accordance with the Articles of Association.

12.5.4 Operation of the Board of Supervisors

The Board of Supervisors conducts voting on resolutions in meetings of the Board of Supervisors. The meetings of the Board of Supervisors are divided into regular and extraordinary meetings. Regular meetings of the Board of Supervisors shall be held at least four times a year and shall be convened at least once every six months informing all Supervisors in writing 10 days prior to the holding of meeting. To convene an extraordinary meeting of the Board of Supervisors, a written notice shall be given to all Supervisors seven days before the date of meeting. The resolutions of the meetings of the Board of Supervisors shall be passed by not less than two-thirds of all the Supervisors.

12.5.5 Meetings of the Board of Supervisors

During the Reporting Period, the Board of Supervisors of the Company convened six meetings in total, and considered and approved 19 resolutions, including the Work Report of the Board of Supervisors for 2020.

12.5.6 Supervisors' attendance at meetings of the Board of Supervisors

Attendance of members at meetings of the Board of Supervisors of the Company in 2021:

Supervisors	Number of meetings attended/required to attend	Attendance rate
Shareholder Representative Supervisor		
Hu Jianzhong	6/6	100%
External Supervisors		
Cheng Fengchao	6/6	100%
Han Xiangrong	6/6	100%
Employee Representative Supervisors		
Sun Hongbo	5/6	83.3%
Guo Jinghua	5/5	100%
Resigned Supervisors		
Zheng Shengqin	1/1	100%

Notes:

1. Attendance includes physical attendance and attendance by telephone and video conference.
2. Attendance rate is the percentage of number of meetings attended to the number of meetings required to attend.
3. Supervisors who did not attend the meeting in person have entrusted other supervisors to attend the meeting on their behalf.

12.5.7 Special Committees of the Board of Supervisors

As of December 31, 2021, the Board of Supervisors set one special committee, namely the Supervision Committee under the Board of Supervisors, which consisted of four members. The chairman was acted by Mr. Cheng Fengchao and the members included Mr. Han Xiangrong, Ms. Sun Hongbo and Ms. Guo Jinghua.

The main duties of the Supervision Committee under the Board of Supervisors include: to assist the Board of Supervisors to organize and carry out daily supervision of the performance of the Board, senior management and its members, financial management, internal control and risk management; to assist the Board of Supervisors to inspect and supervise the Company's finance, and to communicate with the Company's senior management, external auditing institution on the preparation and review of regular financial reports; to organize and implement key tasks specified in the annual plan of the Board of Supervisors; to organize and implement the performance evaluation work according to relevant work system on performance evaluation of Directors, Supervisors and senior management by the Board of Supervisors and the annual performance evaluation programs considered and approved by the Board of Supervisors.

During the Reporting Period, the Supervision Committee under the Board of Supervisors convened 5 meetings in total to review 7 issues, including 2020 Annual Audit and 2021 Interim Review.

12.5.8 Trainings for the Supervisors

During the Reporting Period, all members of the Board of Supervisors of the Company participated in the relevant trainings of the Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute, mainly learning annual financial audit and performance reports; reading the latest information related to supervision covering anti-corruption, corporate governance, etc.

12.6 Chairman of the Board and President

In accordance with A.2.1 (which has been re-numbered as C.2.1 since January 1, 2022) of the Corporate Governance Code as contained in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules and the Articles of Association, the chairman of the Board and the president of the Company shall be assumed by different individuals, and the chairman of the Board shall not be assumed by the legal representative or key management of the controlling Shareholder.

Mr. Wang Zhanfeng acts as the chairman of the Board and legal representative of the Company, and is responsible for leading the Board to formulate the annual budget and final accounts and determine operation and development strategies, risk management, compliance, internal control policies and other major matters of the Company.

Mr. Liang Qiang was appointed as the president of the Company and is responsible for the daily management for the business operation of the Company. The president of the Company shall be appointed by the Board and is accountable to the Board. He shall perform his duties in accordance with the requirements of the Articles of Association and the authorization granted by the Board.

12.7 Senior Management

12.7.1 Composition and duties of Senior Management

The senior management of the Company is the execution body of the Company and is accountable to the Board. As of the Latest Practicable Date, details of its composition and the biography of members are set out in “11. Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management — 11.3 Senior Management”. There is a strict separation of powers between the senior management and the Board. The senior management determines the operation management and decisions within its terms of reference as authorized by the Board. The senior management shall timely, accurately and completely report the Company’s business performance, important contracts, financial position, risk profile and operation prospects to the Board on a regular basis or as required by the Board, accept inquiries from the Board and special committees of the Board, and accept the supervision of the Board of Supervisors.

12.7.2 Supervision and evaluation on the performance of senior management

The Board of Supervisors of the Company earnestly implemented relevant regulatory requirements, studied and formulated the plan for evaluating the performance of senior management in 2021, and evaluated the performance of senior management in 2021 in accordance with the procedures and standards of regulatory requirements.

12.7.3 Remuneration of Directors and senior management

The remuneration policies of the Directors and senior management are set out in “14. Report of the Board of Directors — 14.26 Remuneration Policy of Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management”.

12.8 Communication with Shareholders

12.8.1 Information disclosure and investor relations

In strict compliance with regulatory provisions and policies including the Administrative Rules on Information Disclosure (《信息披露管理制度》), the Administrative Measures on the Preparation of Periodic Reports of Information Disclosure (《信息披露定期報告編製管理辦法》), the Administrative Measures on the Internal Reporting of Material Information (《重大信息內部報告管理辦法》), the Rules on Investor Relations Management (《投資者關係管理制度》), and the Guidelines on Investor Relations Management (《投資者關係管理工作指引》) of the Company, the Company conducted the management of information disclosure and investor relations of the Company, communicated and interacted with shareholders and potential investors in various forms and assisted investors in making rational investment decisions to protect the legal interests of investors.

In 2021, the Company strictly abided by the principles of truthfulness, accuracy, completeness, timeliness and fairness and conscientiously conducted information disclosure. The Company continued to improve the quality of periodic report disclosure and strengthened the pertinence and effectiveness of the periodic report disclosure. The Company disclosed the extraordinary announcements in accordance with laws and regulations in a timely and accurate manner, and constantly improved the transparency of information disclosure to protect the investors’ rights to know. The Company continued to improve the information disclosure mechanism, raised awareness of employees in information disclosure and enhanced compliance culture building in information disclosure.

The Company attached great importance to communication with investors, earnestly listened to the opinions and suggestions of investors, interacted and communicated with investors in various forms such as performance announcements, the holding of analyst communication meeting, participation in investment banking summits, dealing with phone calls and letters from and visits by investors, and timely responded to investors’ concerns to enhance investors’ confidence in the Company and improve the Company’s recognition and brand influence in the capital market.

12.8.2 Contacts of Board Office

The office established under the Board, i.e. the Board Office, is responsible for assisting the Board in dealing with daily matters. Should investors have any enquiries or Shareholders have any suggestions, enquiries or proposals, please contact:

Board Office of China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd.

Address: No. 8 Financial Street, Xicheng District, Beijing, China

Tel. no.: 86-10-59619119

Email address: ir@chamc.com.cn

12.9 Inside Information Management

During the Reporting Period, the Company regulated the inside information management in accordance with relevant policies. It is also a clear requirement that inside information shall not be leaked by any insiders of the Company by any means before it is disclosed in accordance with laws, nor be used to conduct insider trading, nor be used in concert with other parties to manipulate the trading price of the Company's Shares and its derivatives. As far as the Company knows, during the Reporting Period, there were no incidents of insider trading of the Company's Shares by those who are aware of inside information taking advantage of the inside information.

12.10 Auditor's Remunerations

The remunerations paid and payable by the Group to the auditor of the Company in respect of audit and non-audit services in 2020 and 2021 are set out below, respectively:

Audit and non-audit services	For the	
	year ended December 31,	
	2021	2020
	<i>(in millions of RMB)</i>	
Annual audit/interim review	34.9	34.6
Other audit services	12.4	1.9
Tax consultation and other services	2.0	—
Total	49.3	36.5

12.11 Responsibilities of Directors for Financial Statements

The Directors are responsible for implementing applicable accounting policies in accordance with PRC GAAP and IFRS. They are also responsible for implementing the relevant accounting requirements of the MOF subject to PRC GAAP and IFRS and supervising the preparation of the annual and interim financial statements of the Group of each accounting year, so that the financial reports truly and fairly reflect the Group's operating condition.

12.12 Statement from the Board of Directors Regarding the Risk Management Responsibility

Being the highest decision-making body of risk management of the Company, the Board of Directors is accountable to the Shareholders' general meeting on the effectiveness of the comprehensive risk management. The major duties of the Board include: finalizing the overall objectives of risk management, risk appetite and risk management strategies of the Company; finalizing the fundamental policies and systems of risk management, the setting up of the organizations and institutions on risk management and the plans of responsibilities thereof of the Company; finalizing the risk management reports and solutions on the management of significant risks of the Company; finalizing the audit reports on the evaluation of the risk management supervision submitted by the internal audit department and other responsibilities. The Board assigns part of the responsibilities of risk management to the Risk Management Committee and the Audit Committee. The Board reviews the Company's semi-annual and annual risk reports every half a year, checks current risk situation, the execution condition of the risk appetite, the adequacy of the Company's capitals and the status of various risks and provides advice on the risk management and control of next step. The Board confirmed that the risk management of the Company was effective enough to provide solid guarantee for the development of the Company. The Board also stated that the Company's risk management system was designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failing to meet business objectives and that it would only make reasonable, but not absolute, guarantees that there would be no material misrepresentation or loss.

12.13 Securities Transactions by Directors, Supervisors and Relevant Employees

The Company has formulated the Code for Securities Transactions by Directors, Supervisors and Relevant Employees which regulates the securities transactions by Directors, Supervisors and relevant employees and is of no less exacting terms than the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Companies (the "**Model Code**") in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules. The Company has made enquiries to all Directors and Supervisors who all confirmed that they had complied with the Model Code and the requirements set out therein during the Reporting Period.

12.14 Independence of Independent Non-executive Directors

All independent non-executive Directors of the Company are independent individuals. The Company has received annual confirmation letters from each of the independent non-executive Directors to confirm their independence. As at the Latest Practicable Date, the Company considered that all independent non-executive Directors are independent. The independence of independent non-executive Directors complied with the relevant requirements set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules.

12.15 Training for Directors

During the Reporting Period, according to the provisions of the Training System for the Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management (《董事、監事和高級管理人員培訓制度》), the Board focused on the continuing professional development of the Directors by actively encouraging them to take part in and organizing training programs. All members of the Board continued to familiarize themselves with various regulatory information and the latest regulatory requirements in the daily performance of their duties, including relevant laws and regulations and regulatory documents in relation to corporate governance and the Listing Rules. They also updated their knowledge and skills, and improved their abilities to perform their duties through various methods, such as participating in relevant trainings organized by industry associations, professional bodies and the Company, and personally visiting domestic and foreign financial institutions and the Group, in order to ensure that they can contribute to the Board in a well-informed manner based on its actual needs.

The major trainings attended by the Directors and their continuous professional development in 2021 are as follows:

Name of Directors	Types of Training	
	Read the latest information related to regulation	Attend a training class/lecture
Executive Directors		
Wang Zhanfeng	√	√
Liang Qiang	√	√
Wang Wenjie	√	√
Non-executive Directors		
Zhao Jiangping	√	√
Zheng Jiangping	√	√
Xu Nuo	√	√
Zhou Langlang	√	√
Independent non-executive Directors		
Tse Hau Yin	√	√
Shao Jingchun	√	√
Zhu Ning	√	√
Chen Yuanling	√	√

12.16 Liability Insurance for Directors

The Company has maintained liability insurance for Directors, Supervisors and senior management during the Reporting Period to provide protection against any potential liability arising from the Group's business which they might need to undertake.

12.17 Joint Company Secretaries

The secretary to the Board of the Company and one of the joint company secretaries, Mr. Xu Yongli is an employee of the Company. He is very familiar with the internal management and business operations of the Company. In addition, the Company has appointed Mr. Ngai Wai Fung as another joint company secretary to work closely with and provide assistance to Mr. Xu in discharging his duties and responsibilities as a joint company secretary to acquire relevant experience within the meaning of Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules. Mr. Ngai is a director and the chief executive officer of SWCS Corporate Services Group (Hong Kong) Limited, a corporate service provider. In respect of corporate governance, the Listing Rules and other laws and regulations related to the Company and other matters, Mr. Ngai will contact Mr. Xu, and Mr. Xu will be responsible for reporting to the Board and/or the chairman of the Board. The relevant professional trainings that Mr. Xu and Mr. Ngai participated in during the Reporting Period have reached 15 hours, which is in compliance with the requirements of Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules.

13. Internal Control

13.1 Statement of the Board in Relation to Internal Control Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the establishment and implementation of a sound and effective internal control system, and the evaluation of its effectiveness. The Company continued to establish and improve the internal control governance structure. The Board has set up the Audit Committee, Risk Management Committee and Related Party Transaction Committee to supervise and review work including risk management, internal control, related party transactions and the Group's internal transactions. The Board of Supervisors oversees the internal control established and implemented by the Board and senior management. The senior management is responsible for the daily operation of internal control of the Company. The Company's headquarters, branches and subsidiaries have all established functional departments for internal control and management, which are responsible for organizing and coordinating the establishment, implementation and daily operation of internal control. The internal audit department is responsible for conducting regular assessment on the operation of internal control.

The basic objectives of the Company's internal control were to provide reasonable assurance for the achievement of the effectiveness of the Company's operation, the reliability of reports and the compliance of operation. Internal control could only provide reasonable assurance to achieve the above objectives due to its inherent limitation. In addition, there were risks predicting the effectiveness of future internal control based on assessment results of internal control, because internal control may become inappropriate or the extent to which control policies and procedures are followed may be reduced as conditions change.

The Company conducted one annual internal control evaluation work annually in accordance with the relevant requirements of regulations including the Basic Standards for Enterprise Internal Control and its supporting guidelines, the Guidelines for Internal Control of Commercial Banks, and the Basic System for Internal Control and the Evaluation Procedure for Internal Control of the Company. The evaluation work was made in accordance with the principles of comprehensiveness, significance and objectivity. It focused on five elements including the internal environment, risk assessment, control activities, information and communication, and internal supervision to comprehensively evaluate the effectiveness of the internal control design and operation of each unit within the Company's system, continue to improve the Company's internal control level and serve the Company's transformation and high-quality development. In accordance with requirements of the corporate internal control standard system and requirements of relevant regulations, the Company maintained an effective internal control in all material aspects during the Reporting Period.

13.2 Basis of Establishment of the Internal Control Management System of the Company

During the Reporting Period, the Board continued to enhance and optimize the internal control management system in line with the internal control objectives of the Company, in accordance with the Basic Standards for Enterprise Internal Control and its supporting guidelines, the Measures on the Internal Control of Financial Asset Management Companies, the Guidelines on the Internal Control of Commercial Banks, the Corporate Governance Code and Corporate Governance Report as contained in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules and other regulatory requirements.

13.3 Main Features and Building of Internal Control Management System

The basic objectives of the Company's internal control were to provide reasonable assurance for the achievement of the effectiveness of the Company's operation, the reliability of the report and the compliance of operation. During the Reporting Period, the Company conducted internal control self-assessment, through the benchmarking against external regulatory documents and the Company's internal system, to comprehensively rationalize and evaluate the core businesses and management process, and further identify the key risk points, optimize control measures, revise the internal control system and management tools, and ensure that all tasks are in line with the strategic goal of building New Huarong with high-quality development. Meanwhile, the Company proactively promoted the construction of internal control compliance culture and improved the level of internal control compliance management by investigation and research, inspection, rectification, assessment, tracing accountability, publicity and training and other measures in combination with the activities of "Internal Control and Compliance Management Construction Year".

13.4 Process Used to Evaluate the Effectiveness of the Internal Control and to Resolve Material Internal Control Defects

The Company integrates internal control into daily operation and management. In accordance with the methods of relevant regulations, the Company identifies and analyzes the management and business activities of the Company, and establishes and implements effective internal control, and improves the internal control system. The functional departments of the Head Office assume direct responsibility for the effectiveness of the internal control of the business and management activities within the scope of responsibility, are responsible for identifying the risks in the business and management activities related to their own responsibilities, formulate and improve related systems, operating procedures and management mechanisms, and organize implementation and supervision inspection. The Internal Control and Compliance Department is responsible for taking the lead in the construction of the internal control system. The internal audit department is responsible for performing the function of internal control and supervision, inspecting the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal control system, formulating and improving internal control system inspection and evaluation system; proposing improvements to the internal control deficiencies found in the supervision and inspection and organizing rectification work. The Company will continue to improve the internal control system, strengthen the implementation of the internal control system, optimize internal control evaluation methods, strengthen internal control supervision and inspection, and continue to provide reasonable guarantees for the effectiveness of the Company's operations, the reliability of reports and the compliance of operations.

13.5 Internal Control Measures for Risks of being Sanctioned

To ensure that the Group abides by its undertakings to the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as disclosed in the Prospectus relating to the listing in Hong Kong that the Group or Relevant Persons would not be subject to any sanctions risks, the Group has improved the internal control policies and procedures and implemented the following measures:

1. The Internal Control Compliance Department of the Group took the lead in the Company's sanctions risks prevention and control, and made the Due Diligence Questionnaire for Sanctions, the Due Diligence Questionnaire for Export Control and the Commitment Letter of Sanction Risk Control (reference template) which will be used as the basic tools for due diligence, prevention and control of sanctions risks in subsidiaries of the Group and will further strengthen the professionalism of related work.
2. The Group has established a sanction risk blacklist database and updated the blacklist information daily.
3. The Group has hired lawyers to assist in the assessment of the Group's sanctions risks, and to provide relevant staff with necessary training for sanctions risk knowledge.

14. Report of the Board of Directors

14.1 Principal Business

The Group's business operation and review and discussion about future business development are set out in "9. Management Discussion and Analysis — 9.3 Business Overview" and "9. Management Discussion and Analysis — 9.6 Development Outlook", respectively.

The major risks and uncertainties that the Group may be exposed are set out in "9. Management Discussion and Analysis — 9.4 Risk Management". During the Reporting Period, there was a transition within the Board of Directors and the Board of Supervisors, the details of which are set out in "11. Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management — 11.4 Changes in Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management", respectively.

Meanwhile, the environmental policies of the Group are set out in "14.7 Social Responsibility Report (Namely Environmental, Social and Governance Report)" of this report of the Board of Directors. The compliance with relevant laws and regulations with significant impact on the Group are set out in "14.30 Compliance with Relevant Laws and Regulations" of this report of the Board of Directors. Descriptions of the relationship between the Group and its employees, clients and suppliers are set out in "9. Management Discussion and Analysis — 9.3 Business Overview — 9.3.7 Human Resources Management", and "14.11 Major Clients" and "14.12 Major Suppliers" of this report of the Board of Directors, respectively.

14.2 Dividend Policy

The Company has been attaching great importance to Shareholders' returns and has established a complete decision-making process and mechanism for dividend distribution. The Company will maintain the stability of dividend policy and continue to provide stable cash return for the majority of Shareholders under the premise of ensuring business development needs. In the process of determining the dividend distribution plan, the Board of the Company takes the advice and requests of Shareholders into full consideration in order to safeguard the legal interests of minority Shareholders and submits the dividend distribution plan at the Shareholders' general meeting for approval. Independent non-executive Directors play their part in performing their duties during the decision-making process of the dividend distribution plan.

14.3 Profit and Dividend Distribution

In view of the fact that the profit distributable by the Company at the end of 2021 was negative, according to the provisions of the Company Law and the Articles of Association and considering the actual situation of the Company's current operations and development, no profit will be distributed, no transfer of any capital reserve to share capital and no other form of distribution will be conducted by the Company for the year ended December 31, 2021.

14.4 Reserves

Reserves of the Group for the year ended December 31, 2021 are set out in the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity in the consolidated financial statements.

14.5 Distributable Reserves

The distributable reserves of the Group for the year ended December 31, 2021 are set out in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position in the consolidated financial statements.

14.6 Summary of Financial Information

The operating results and summary of assets and liabilities of the Group for the year ended December 31, 2021 are set out in “5. Financial Summary”.

14.7 Social Responsibility Report (Namely Environmental, Social and Governance Report)

In 2021, the Group further improved the Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) indicator collection system. The disclosure scope of ESG environmental indicator covered the headquarter, headquarters of branches and subsidiaries in 2021. Meanwhile, we made deep communication with stakeholders to enquire their opinions and suggestions regarding 21 social responsibility issues on economy, society, environment and corporate governance, and we derived a materiality matrix in 2021 through scientific analysis and took it as an important reference for the Group to determine the management direction for social responsibility of the year and prepare future work plans. For details regarding ESG of China Huarong, please refer to the 2021 Social Responsibility Report of China Huarong to be independently published by the Company, which can be accessed or downloaded on the websites of the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

14.8 Donation

Total donations made by the Group for 2021 amounted to RMB2.7 million.

14.9 Property and Equipment

None of the properties held by the Group had any percentage ratios (as defined under Rule 14.04(9) of the Listing Rules) of more than 5%. The details in relation to the changes in property and equipment of the Group for the year ended December 31, 2021 are set out in “17. Audit Report and Financial Statements — V. Explanatory Notes — 35. Property and equipment”.

14.10 Pension Plan

According to the relevant PRC regulations, the employees of the Group participated in the basic social pension insurance plan implemented by the local human resource and social security departments. The Group shall pay the pension insurance fee to the local-level basic social pension insurance agency according to the base figure and proportion prescribed by the local regulations on basic social pension insurance. Such insurance fees payable were charged to the profit or loss for the period on an accrual basis. Local human resource and social security departments will pay basic social pension to the employees upon their retirement.

Other than the basic social pension insurance, the employees of the Group also participated in the Annuity Scheme established by the Group in accordance with relevant policies of the PRC on the annuity system. According to the Annuity Scheme of China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd., the Group makes contributions to the Annuity Scheme at a certain proportion of the total wages of the employees, and such contributions are charged to the cost when incurred.

14.11 Major Clients

During the Reporting Period, the revenue from the top five entities to which the Company disposed of distressed assets in aggregate accounted for not more than 30% of the Company's total revenue for the year.

14.12 Major Suppliers

During the Reporting Period, the cost from the top five suppliers from which the Company acquired distressed assets accounted for not more than 30% of the Company's acquisition costs in 2021.

14.13 Share Capital and Public Float

As at December 31, 2021, the Company had a total of 80,246,679,047 Shares, and 444 registered holders. Details are set out in "10. Changes in Share Capital and Information on Substantial Shareholders".

Reference is made to the announcements of the Company dated November 21, 2022 and December 30, 2022 in relation to, among other things, the Company's application to the Hong Kong Stock Exchange for a waiver from strict compliance with the requirements under Rule 8.08(1)(a) of the Listing Rules during the period of non-public issuance of Domestic Shares and H Shares (the "Issuance") and the temporary exemption has been granted by the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, allowing the minimum public float of the Company to be reduced to 18.23% from the completion of the Issuance to August 31, 2022.

As of the Latest Practicable Date, based on the public information available to the Company and to the knowledge of the Board of Directors, the public float of the Company was in compliance with requirements of relevant laws, regulations, the Listing Rules and waivers from the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

14.14 Pre-emptive Right and Share Option Arrangement

During the Reporting Period, none of the Shareholders of the Company was entitled to any preemptive right according to relevant PRC laws and the Articles of Association, and the Company did not have any share option arrangement.

14.15 Purchase, Sale and Redemption of Listed Securities

For the year ended December 31, 2021, neither the Company nor its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed listed securities of the Company.

14.16 Issuance of Securities

Details of securities issued by the Company are set out in "17. Audit Report and Financial Statements — V. Explanatory Notes — 49. Bonds and notes issued".

14.17 Material Interests and Short Positions

Details of material interests and short positions of Shareholders are set out in “10. Changes in Share Capital and Information on Substantial Shareholders — 10.2 Substantial Shareholders — 10.2.1 Interests and Short Positions held by the Substantial Shareholders and Other Parties”.

14.18 Use of Proceeds

14.18.1 Proceeds from Initial Public Offering of Shares

On October 30, 2015, the Group was listed on the Main Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange and the total proceeds from the listing amounted to HK\$19,696.7 million.

As of December 31, 2021, the Group has used HK\$16,223.9 million (equivalent to RMB13,700 million) of the proceeds, of which RMB9,600 million was used to develop the distressed asset management business of the Group; RMB2,500 million was used to develop the financial services business of the Group; and RMB1,600 million was used to develop the asset management and investment business of the Group. The actual use of proceeds was consistent with the committed use of proceeds set out in the Prospectus relating to the listing in Hong Kong.

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the aggregate account balance of the unutilized proceeds from the listing was HK\$3,027.6 million. In order to improve the use efficiency of proceeds, reduce financial costs, so as to deploy financial resources more effectively and promote the business development of the Company, with the approval of the first extraordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Company in 2021, the Company adjusted the use of the remaining proceeds totaling HK\$3,027.6 million to provide capital contribution and fund support to major subsidiaries. For details, please refer to the announcement dated August 2, 2021 and the circular dated August 3, 2021. As of the Latest Practicable Date, there is no specific timetable for the use of proceeds.

14.18.2 Proceeds from Non-public and Directional Issuance of Domestic Shares and H Shares

The Group completed non-public issuance of Domestic Shares and H Shares on December 30, 2021, and the total proceeds amounted to RMB40,000 million and HK\$2,449 million, respectively.

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the proceeds have been used to replenish the Company’s core tier-1 capital, and the balance of unutilized proceeds is nil.

14.19 Borrowings

The balance of the borrowings of the Group as at December 31, 2021 amounted to approximately RMB747,625.5 million. Details of our borrowings are set out in “17. Audit Report and Financial Statements — V. Explanatory Notes — 44. Borrowings”.

14.20 Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management

Details of the Directors, Supervisors and senior management of the Company are set out in “11. Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management”. The daily operations of the Board are set out in “12. Corporate Governance Report”.

14.21 Directors', Supervisors' and Chief Executive's Interests and Short Positions in Shares and Underlying Shares

As of December 31, 2021, none of the Directors, Supervisors and chief executive of the Company had any interests or short positions in the Shares and underlying Shares of the Company or other associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) required to be recorded in the register kept by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

14.22 Interests in Significant Transactions, Arrangements or Contracts and Service Contracts of Directors and Supervisors

None of the Directors and Supervisors of the Company or their associated entities had any beneficial interests, directly or indirectly, in any transactions, arrangements or contracts of significance (except service contracts) concerning the business of the Group entered into with the Company or any of its controlling companies, subsidiaries or fellow subsidiaries in 2021.

None of the Directors and Supervisors of the Company had entered into any service contract with the Company which was determinable by the Company within one year with payment of compensation (other than statutory compensation).

14.23 Material Contracts with Controlling Shareholders

During the Reporting Period, the Company and its subsidiaries did not enter into material contracts (including material contracts for the provision of services) with the controlling Shareholders or any of its subsidiaries.

14.24 Management Contracts

During the Reporting Period, the Company did not enter into any management contracts with respect to the entire business or the core business of the Company.

14.25 Interests of Directors in Businesses Competing with the Company

None of the Directors of the Company holds any interest in any business which directly or indirectly competes, or is likely to compete with the business of the Company.

14.26 Remuneration Policy of Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management

The remuneration policy of Directors, Supervisors and senior management of the Company is in compliance with the Interim Administrative Measures for the Remuneration of Representatives of Central Financial Enterprises issued by the MOF and the Management Measures for the Remuneration of Directors and Supervisors of the Company and other relevant regulations. The remunerations for Directors, Supervisors and senior management are distributed in the principles of integrating incentives and restrictions, aligning their performance with risks and responsibilities of their respective positions, and combining government supervision with market regulation. The remuneration system implemented shall comprise basic annual salary, performance-based annual salary, bonuses based on term of service, and other benefits, as well as corporate annuity scheme in accordance with relevant national requirements.

14.27 Relationship between Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management

There was no financial or business relationship, kinship or any other relationship which is required to be disclosed between any of the Directors, Supervisors and senior management of the Company.

14.28 Indemnity from Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management

During the Reporting Period, the Company maintained liability insurance for Directors, Supervisors and senior management of the Company to provide protection against any potential liabilities they may assume arising from the Group's operation.

During the Reporting Period, there was no approved indemnity provision that can benefit Directors.

14.29 Connected Transactions and Related Party Transactions

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated December 30, 2021 in relation to the completion of the non-public issuance of Domestic Shares and H Shares under specific mandate by the Company (the “**Issuance**”), in which CITIC Group becomes a major shareholder of the Company and constitutes a connected party of the Company under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules. Subsidiaries of CITIC Group are associates of CITIC Group and constitute connected parties of the Company. Prior to the completion of the Issuance, the Group entered into separate agreements with CITIC Group and its subsidiaries in relation to deposits and loans (collectively, the “**Agreements**”). Accordingly, the Agreements and the continuing transactions thereunder have become continuing connected transaction of the Company according to Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

Other than those disclosed above, during the Reporting Period, the Company did not conduct any connected transactions or continuing connected transactions which are required to be disclosed according to Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules. The related party transactions defined in accordance with IFRSs are set out in “17. Audit Report and Financial Statements — V. Explanatory Notes — 61. Related Party Transactions”, and they are not the connected transactions or continuing connected transactions under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

14.30 Compliance with Relevant Laws and Regulations

The Group has established corresponding compliance and internal control measures to ensure its compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations which may have significant effects on the Group. The Risk Management Committee of the Group is responsible for overseeing the legal and compliance management of the Group and reviewing laws and compliance policies as well as the implementation of relevant laws and policies on a regular basis. The Group has established a legal and compliance department to be responsible for the implementation of laws and regulations, and ensure relevant staff and operating units will be informed of any changes of applicable laws, rules and regulations from time to time. In addition, the Group has obtained all major qualifications and licenses necessary to conduct its business operations according to relevant laws and regulations. During the Reporting Period, the Group has not violated any relevant laws, rules or regulations which may have a material effect on the Group.

14.31 Major Subsidiaries

The major subsidiaries of the Group are set out in “17. Audit Report and Financial Statements — V. Explanatory Notes — 65. Particulars of principal subsidiaries”.

14.32 Auditors

The consolidated financial statements of the Company for 2021 prepared under the IFRS and PRC GAAP have been audited by Ernst & Young and Ernst & Young Hua Ming LLP, respectively.

14.33 Statement for Changes of Auditors in the Past Three Years

Since Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu and Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Certified Public Accountants LLP have provided audit services for the Company for eight years by 2020, reaching the maximum service term stipulated by the MOF, therefore the Company changed its accountants to Ernst & Young and Ernst & Young Hua Ming LLP in 2020.

14.34 Equity-Linked Agreement


During the Reporting Period, the Company has not entered into or has any equity-linked agreement or stipulates that any agreement entered into by the Company will result in or may result in the issuance of Shares by the Company.

14.35 Debentures Issued

During the Reporting Period, the Company did not issue any debentures.

14.36 Audit Committee

The Audit Committee of the Board of the Company has reviewed the annual results of the Group for 2021 and the 2021 audited consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS and PRC GAAP.



By Order of the Board
WANG Zhanfeng
Chairman

March 28, 2022

15. Report of the Board of Supervisors

During the Reporting Period, the Board of Supervisors performed their duties faithfully and dutifully and conducted various supervisions carefully including the performance of duties, finance, risks and internal control according to relevant PRC laws and regulations, regulatory requirements and the Articles of Association. Focusing on the two main aspects of transformation and development of the core business and risk dissolution, the Board of Supervisors insisted on problems and results orientation and took the on-site investigation and research and off-site monitoring as the main forms to makes continuous efforts to deepen the transformation of the core business, enhance the quality and efficiency of service to the real economy, and achieve sound and orderly operation and high-quality development.

15.1 Convening of meetings

During the Reporting Period, the Company's Board of Supervisors held six meetings of the Board of Supervisors to review and approve 19 resolutions, including work reports of the Board of Supervisors for 2020. The Supervision Committee of the Board of Supervisors held five meetings to consider 7 resolutions, including the annual audit for 2020 and interim review for 2021.

15.2 Supervision work


Performance supervision. The Board of Supervisors was concerned about the implementation of national economic and financial policies and the enhancement of quality and efficiency of service to the real economy by the Board of Directors and senior management. The Board of Supervisors conducted research related to the transformation and development of the core business and the enhancement of the core competitiveness of restructuring of enterprises with substantial problems, held talks with relevant operating entities to elucidate the paths and ideas of transformation and development, and made researches to put forward objectives and tasks of it at different stages, the specific paths, ways and ideas to reinforce the core competitiveness of restructuring of enterprises with substantial problems, and continuously upgraded the quality of transformation and development of the core business. The Board of Supervisors were also aware of the compliance with laws and regulations and the Articles of Association by the Board of Directors and senior management, strengthened the supervision on the performance of duties, organized members of the Board of Supervisors to attend general meetings of Shareholders, and attend relevant meetings of the Board of Directors and senior management, and strengthened supervision of the implementation of resolutions adopted by general meeting of Shareholders and the Board of Directors as well as deliberation procedures of the Board of Directors and its special committees. The Board of Supervisors organized the revision of its duties performance evaluation system for Directors and Supervisors according to the relevant regulatory requirements, carried out annual performance evaluation according to the items, standards, methods and procedures specified in the relevant regulatory requirements, made recommendations to Directors and senior management on performance of duties and reported evaluation profile and the evaluation results to the general meeting of Shareholders and the regulatory authorities.

Financial supervision. The Board of Supervisors strengthened supervision of regular financial reports and review procedures. The Supervision Committee of the Board of Supervisors heard the reports on the audit results for 2020, the interim review plan and review results for 2021, and the annual audit plan for 2021, fully communicated with the external auditing institutions and senior management regarding the material accounting measurement matters, made suggestions on important matters so as to supervise the independence and effectiveness of the external audit and promote the implementation of key issues. The members of the Board of Supervisors attended meetings of the Audit Committee under the Board of Directors and Board meetings, paid attention to the consideration of annual report and interim report by the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee under the Board of Directors. The Board of Supervisors strengthened supervision on the efficiency of the construction and the implementation of financial internal control, listened to the reports by external auditing institutions and senior management on the relevant matters, promoted the further improvement of the construction of finance-related internal control systems. The Board of Supervisors implemented the requirements of relevant national departments, paid attention to duty-performance treatment and the business expense management of the person in charge of the Company, reviewed the reports on the implementation of the annual budget for 2020 and the preparation of the budget for 2021, and urged further strengthening of management.

Internal control supervision. The Board of Supervisors paid attention to the implementation of the policy requirements of the relevant state departments and the regulatory requirements of the regulatory authorities. The Board of Supervisors listened to the report on the implementation of “Internal Control and Compliance Management Construction Year”, reviewed the report related to the progress of clearance and integration of subsidiaries, and promoted the implementation of regulatory requirements to achieve substantial results; paid attention to the construction and implementation of the internal control system of the distressed asset management business. Supervisors conducted field investigation and research on some operation units and held discussions with relevant departments and offices at the headquarters to understand the management structure, system construction, approval process, information system construction, anti-fraud and other related situations of the distressed asset management business, and put forward their views on further improving the construction of internal control system of the distressed asset management business; listened to the report on the planning and implementation of information system construction, and promoted the further enhancement of the foresight of information system planning and the effectiveness of construction and implementation; conducted research on the business positioning and transformation development of overseas institutions and the construction of internal control system, and offered advice on offshore institutions exploring the core business model, risk control model, and construction of internal control system that meet the regulatory requirements.

Risk management supervision. The Board of Supervisors paid close attention to asset quality and strengthened the supervision of credit risk and market risk management. The Board of Supervisors listened to the report on the general condition of the Company’s risk management and control, supervisors conducted investigation and research on some operation units to understand details of asset quality, and made suggestions on further strengthening comprehensive risk management; paid attention to the overall situation of risk assets resolution, key units and key projects resolution, conducted investigation and research on some operation units, listened to the situation report, accessed some project information, analyzed the causes of risk projects, and put forward proposals for ideas and measures to accelerate risk resolution; paid attention to the liquidity management of overseas institutions, reviewed relevant reports, and made suggestions on strengthening liquidity risk management of overseas institutions.

Self-construction enhancement. The Board of Supervisors implemented the regulatory requirements, organized the revision of supervision and evaluation systems, enhanced the supervision of performance of duties and strengthened the binding force on the Board of Directors, senior management and their members; organized the supervisors to attend relevant training of the Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute, studied for themselves the policies and requirements of the regulatory authorities related to corporate governance, anti-fraud, connected transactions, equity management, etc. to continuously enhance the ability to perform duties. Evaluation and assessment were organized and conducted on Supervisors' performance of their duties to assess the Supervisors' performance of their duties, which was reported to the general meeting of Shareholders and regulatory authorities.



By Order of the Board of Supervisors
HU Jianzhong
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

March 28, 2022

16. Significant Events

16.1 Material Litigation and Arbitration

During the Reporting Period, the Company was not involved in any litigation or arbitration which might have material and adverse effects on its business, financial condition or operating results.

16.2 Major Acquisition and Disposal of Assets and Merger

During the Reporting Period, the Company did not enter into any material acquisition or disposal of assets or mergers of enterprises.

16.3 Use of Funds by the Controlling Shareholders and Other Related Parties

During the Reporting Period, the controlling Shareholder and other related parties have not used the funds of the Company.

16.4 Implementation of Share Incentive Scheme

The Company did not implement any share incentive scheme during the Reporting Period.

16.5 Major Contracts and Their Implementation

16.5.1 Major Custodies, Underwriting and Leasing

During the Reporting Period, the Company did not enter into any major events relating to the custody, underwriting and leasing of assets of other companies or the custody, underwriting and leasing of assets of the Company by other companies.

16.5.2 Material Guarantees

The Company did not make any material guarantee which is required to be disclosed during the Reporting Period.

16.6 Events after the Reporting Period

Details of events after the Reporting Period are set out in “17. Audit Report and Financial Statements — VI. Events after the Reporting Period”.

17. Audit Report and Financial Statements

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT AND CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF CHINA HUARONG ASSET MANAGEMENT CO., LTD.
(Established in the People’s Republic of China with limited liability)

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd. (the “Company”) and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the “Group”) set out on pages 149 to 341, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2021, the consolidated statement of profit or loss, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the accompanying consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the Group’s consolidated financial position as at 31 December 2021, and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRSs”) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”), and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Comparability of the current year’s figures and the corresponding figures for the Group’s Consolidated Financial Performance and Consolidated Cash Flows

As stated in our Independent Auditor’s Report on the Group’s financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 dated 28 August 2021, regarding the matters described in Note III.2 to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020, we were unable to make reasonable judgment on whether any of the associated gains and losses recognised by the Group in 2020 should have been recorded in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and the consolidated statement of comprehensive income of previous years. Because of this matter has a possible effect on the comparability of the current year’s figures and the corresponding figures in the consolidated statements of profit or loss, comprehensive income and cash flows for the year ended 31 December 2021, our opinion on the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 is therefore qualified.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

Basis for Qualified Opinion (Continued)

Comparability of the current year's figures and the corresponding figures for the Group's Consolidated Financial Performance and Consolidated Cash Flows (Continued)

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (“ISAs”) issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board (“IAASB”). Our responsibilities under these standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the “Code”) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified opinion.

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. In addition to the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section, we have determined the matters described below to be the key audit matters to be communicated in our report.

We have fulfilled the responsibilities described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements* section of our report, including those in relation to these matters. Accordingly, our audit included the performance of procedures designed to respond to our assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated statements. The results of our audit procedures, including the procedures performed to address the matters below, provide the basis for our audit opinion on the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

Key Audit Matters (continued)

Key audit matters

Expected credit loss allowance for loans and advances to customers and debt instruments at amortized cost

The Group adopts the expected credit loss model to assess the impairment of financial assets according to *International Financial Reporting Standard 9 Financial Instruments* ("IFRS 9"). Complex models and assumptions are used in the measurement of expected credit losses for loans and advances to customers and debt instruments at amortized cost, for example:

- Significant increases in credit risk — The selection of criteria for identifying significant increases in credit risk is highly dependent on judgement and may have a significant impact on the expected credit losses for financial assets with longer remaining periods to maturity;
- Models and parameters — Inherently complex models are used to measure expected credit losses. Modelled parameters have numerous inputs and the parameter estimation involves many judgements and assumptions;
- Forward-looking information — Expert judgement is used to create macroeconomic forecasts and to consider the impact on expected credit losses under multiple economic scenarios given different weights; and
- Individual impairment assessments — Identifying credit impaired financial assets requires consideration of a range of factors, and individual impairment assessments are dependent upon estimates of future cash flows.

How our audit addressed the key audit matters

With the support of our internal credit risk modelling experts, we evaluated and tested the methodology, important parameters of the expected credit loss model, management's major judgements and related assumptions, including:

- Assessing the reasonableness of the expected credit loss model methodology;
- Assessing and testing the design and operating effectiveness of controls over the measurement of expected credit losses for loans and advances to customers and debt assets at amortized cost;
- Assessing the reasonableness of related parameters, including the probability of default, loss given default, exposure at default, and the significant increases in credit risk, in response to the macroeconomic changes and the COVID-19 pandemic implications;
- Assessing the forward-looking information management used to determine expected credit losses, including the forecasts of macroeconomic variables and the assumptions and different weights of multiple macroeconomic scenarios; and
- Selecting samples to assess the reasonableness of management judgments on whether the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition and whether credit impairment has occurred.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

Key Audit Matters (continued)

Key audit matters

How our audit addressed the key audit matters

Expected credit loss allowance for loans and advances to customers and debt instruments at amortized cost (Continued)

The Group's disclosures about accounting judgements and estimations of impairment of financial assets and the details of these financial assets are included in Note IV.1.2 Impairment of financial assets, Note V.25 Loans and advances to customers, Note V.30 Debt instruments at amortized cost and Note V.62.1 Credit risk.

We adopted a risk-based sampling approach in our credit review procedures. We assessed the debtors' repayment capacity and evaluated the debtors' credit grading by the Group, taking into consideration debtors' financial information, collateral valuation reports and other available information. We focused on loans and advances to customers and debt instruments at amortized cost with perceived higher risk and selected samples from credit impaired loans and debt instruments, overdue but performing loans and debt instruments, and borrowers with negative warning signs or adverse press coverage.

We performed credit review for the selected credit impaired corporate loans and advances and debt instruments by assessing the forecast of recoverable cash flows through inquiry, applying judgment and our own research. We evaluated the experience, independence, competence and integrity of the external appraiser engaged by the management to value certain properties and illiquid collaterals, including comparing the valuations with externally derived data, and assessed the reasonableness of valuation method and key assumptions used.

Furthermore, we checked the adequacy of related disclosures including the disclosures of credit risk and expected credit losses.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

Key Audit Matters (continued)

Key audit matters

How our audit addressed the key audit matters

Valuation of financial instruments measured at Level 3 fair value

Financial assets carried at fair value represented a significant portion of the Group's total assets, and carrying balances of financial instruments measured at Level 3 fair value accounted for approximately 20% of the Group's total assets. The fair values of level 3 financial instruments are determined through the application of valuation techniques which often involve the exercise of subjective judgement by management and the use of assumptions and estimates, particularly those requiring significant unobservable inputs. Valuation results can vary significantly when different valuation techniques and assumptions are applied.

The Group's disclosures about accounting judgements and estimation and the details of these financial assets are included in Note IV.2.2 Fair value of financial instruments and Note V.63 Fair value of financial instruments.

Our procedures in relation to the valuation of financial instruments measured at Level 3 fair value as at 31 December 2021 included assessing and testing the design and operating effectiveness of controls over the identification, measurement and management of valuation risk. For unobservable inputs, such as estimated future cash flows, we compared the cash flows against relevant contractual terms or performed assessments of cash flows from collaterals or profit forecasts. We re-performed valuations on a sample basis to evaluate the valuation techniques, assumptions and estimates adopted by the Group with the assistance of our internal valuation specialists. Furthermore, we checked the adequacy of related disclosures of fair value including the disclosure of the fair value hierarchy.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

Key Audit Matters (continued)

Key audit matters

Assessment of control over structured entities

The Group has interests in various structured entities, such as private equity funds, trusts, asset management plans, wealth management products and mutual funds, in conducting financial investments, asset management business and credit assets transfers. The Group determines whether or not to consolidate these structured entities based on the assessment of whether the Group has control taking into consideration the power arising from rights, variable returns, and the link between power and returns.

The assessment of the Group's control over structured entities involves significant judgement on factors such as the purpose and design of structured entities, its ability to direct the relevant activities, direct and indirect beneficial interests and returns, performance fee, remuneration and exposure to loss from providing credit enhancement or liquidity support. Due to the significance of these investments to the Group and the complexity of judgement exercised by management, consolidation or non-consolidation of structured entities is considered a key audit matter.

The Group's disclosures about accounting judgements and estimation and the details of these equity investments are included in Note IV.1.4 Control on structured entities, Note V.32 Interests in consolidated structured entities and Note V.33 Interests in unconsolidated structured entities.

How our audit addressed the key audit matters

We evaluated and tested the design and operating effectiveness of the key controls related to the Group's assessment of whether it controls structured entities.

We assessed the Group's analysis and conclusions on whether or not it controls structured entities based on the Group's analysis on its power over structured entities, and the magnitude and variability of variable returns from its involvement with structured entities. We also assessed whether the Group has legal or constructive obligation to absorb any loss of structured entities by reviewing relevant term sheets, and whether the Group has provided liquidity support or credit enhancement to structured entities, as well as the fairness of transactions between the Group and structured entities.

We evaluated and tested the design and operating effectiveness of internal controls related to disclosures of structured entities.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

Other Information Included in the Annual Report

The Group's directors are responsible for other information, which comprises information included in the annual report but does not include consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report.

Our opinion on the Group's consolidated financial statements does not cover other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated statements, our responsibility is to read other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report based on these responsibilities.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Consolidated Financial Statements

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRSs and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the directors of the Company are responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors of the Company either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operation or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors of the Company are assisted by the Audit Committee in discharging their responsibilities for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Our report is made 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.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but it is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

In our audit conducted in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures to address these risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors of the Company.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the Audit Committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the Audit Committee with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

From the matters communicated with the Audit Committee, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in the independent auditor's report is NG Chi Keung.

Ernst & Young
Certified Public Accountants

Hong Kong
28 March 2022

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

(Amounts in thousands of Renminbi, unless otherwise stated)

	Note V	Year ended 31 December	
		2021	2020
Continuing operations			
Income from distressed debt assets	2	28,077,208	34,121,397
Fair value changes on distressed debt assets	3	6,464,546	4,317,012
Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities	4	13,176,301	(12,519,994)
Interest income	5	35,023,652	36,489,238
Finance lease income		2,040,905	3,535,862
Gains from derecognition of financial assets measured at amortised cost	30	1,095,700	866,372
Gains from derecognition of debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income		334,586	154,769
Commission and fee income	6	2,059,200	2,113,807
Net gains on disposals or deemed disposals of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures		571,681	769,081
Dividend income	7	1,087,167	1,193,128
Other income and other net gains or losses	8	3,135,940	4,364,379
Total		93,066,886	75,405,051
Interest expenses	9	(53,463,556)	(54,687,455)
Commission and fee expenses	10	(567,852)	(2,085,577)
Operating expenses	11	(11,986,362)	(12,791,402)
Impairment losses under expected credit loss model	12	(16,677,952)	(97,298,370)
Impairment losses on other assets	13	(937,918)	(10,075,773)
Total		(83,633,640)	(176,938,577)
Change in net assets attributable to other holders of consolidated structured entities	32	(2,669,413)	(500,515)
Share of results of associates and joint ventures		134,625	(846,446)
Profit/(loss) before tax from continuing operations		6,898,458	(102,880,487)
Income tax expense	14	(5,151,720)	(3,544,673)
Profit/(loss) for the year from continuing operations		1,746,738	(106,425,160)

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

(Amounts in thousands of Renminbi, unless otherwise stated)

	Note V	Year ended 31 December	
		2021	2020
Discontinued operation			
Profit after tax for the year from a discontinued operation	68	239,328	150,896
Profit/(loss) for the year		1,986,066	(106,274,264)
Profit/(loss) attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		378,475	(102,902,991)
Holders of perpetual capital instruments	56	1,219,190	811,336
Non-controlling interests		388,401	(4,182,609)
		1,986,066	(106,274,264)
Earnings/(loss) per share attributable to equity holders of the Company (Expressed in RMB Yuan per share)	15		
— Basic		0.010	(2.634)
— Diluted		0.010	(2.634)
Earnings/(loss) per share attributable to equity holders of the Company from continuing operations (Expressed in RMB Yuan per share)	15		
— Basic		0.005	(2.637)
— Diluted		0.005	(2.637)

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

(Amounts in thousands of Renminbi, unless otherwise stated)

	Note V	Year ended 31 December	
		2021	2020
Profit/(loss) for the year		1,986,066	(106,274,264)
Other comprehensive income:			
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:			
Actuarial losses on defined benefit obligations		(14,449)	(11,568)
Fair value gains/(losses) on investments in equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income		46,495	(421,346)
Share of other comprehensive income of associates		—	(9,892)
Income tax effect	37	(7,158)	111,756
		24,888	(331,050)
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations		1,507,257	2,289,919
Fair value changes on hedging instruments designated in cash flow hedges	22,55	326,372	(39,763)
Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income			
— fair value changes		(1,030,918)	(7,125,453)
— amounts reclassified to profit or loss upon disposals		(299,632)	(141,871)
— impairment provided		(75,129)	6,374,803
Income tax effect	37	95,322	575,332
Share of other comprehensive income of associates, net of income tax		—	(896)
		523,272	1,932,071
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of income tax		548,160	1,601,021
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the year		2,534,226	(104,673,243)
Total comprehensive income/(expense) attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		822,323	(101,510,759)
Holders of perpetual capital instruments	56	1,219,190	811,336
Non-controlling interests		492,713	(3,973,820)
		2,534,226	(104,673,243)

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

(Amounts in thousands of Renminbi, unless otherwise stated)

	Note V	As at 31 December	
		2021	2020
Assets			
Cash and balances with central bank	19	23,956,501	22,808,362
Deposits with financial institutions	20	146,698,257	123,875,031
Placements with financial institutions	21	19,685,761	5,740,804
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	22	351,047,719	359,439,987
Financial assets held under resale agreements	23	11,044,271	15,224,623
Contract assets	24	5,735,596	5,306,994
Loans and advances to customers	25	247,164,003	232,500,179
Finance lease receivables	26	23,554,067	39,796,700
Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	27	57,203,624	83,106,848
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	28	3,139,579	4,493,861
Inventories	29	20,854,078	20,112,360
Debt instruments at amortised cost	30	580,799,434	656,048,582
Interests in associates and joint ventures	31	10,514,845	14,357,953
Investment properties	34	6,854,222	4,001,006
Property and equipment	35	9,621,207	12,717,276
Right-of-use assets	36	3,502,108	2,447,155
Deferred tax assets	37	15,612,489	14,423,850
Goodwill	38	322,971	322,971
Assets held for sale	67	7,301,599	—
Other assets	39	23,809,451	24,742,494
Total assets		<u>1,568,421,782</u>	<u>1,641,467,036</u>

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (continued)

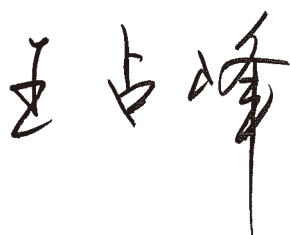
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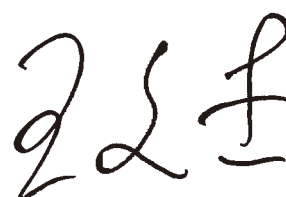
	Note V	As at 31 December	
		2021	2020
Liabilities			
Borrowings from central bank	40	23,147,628	23,182,829
Deposits from financial institutions	41	13,656,340	8,924,141
Placements from financial institutions	42	4,784,219	4,679,266
Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements	43	30,866,222	15,547,448
Borrowings	44	747,625,462	778,423,768
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	22	683,662	3,301,527
Due to customers	45	257,208,888	250,827,219
Tax payable	46	1,388,605	1,283,897
Contract liabilities	47	401,197	649,052
Lease liabilities	48	2,049,540	919,817
Deferred tax liabilities	37	341,556	408,771
Bonds and notes issued	49	271,065,213	336,971,821
Liabilities directly associated with the assets held for sale	67	1,740,257	—
Other liabilities	50	109,478,566	152,090,616
Total liabilities		1,464,437,355	1,577,210,172
Equity			
Share capital	51	80,246,679	39,070,208
Capital reserve	52	16,431,847	17,241,496
Surplus reserve	53	8,564,210	8,564,210
General reserve	54	17,888,551	17,842,051
Other reserves	55	3,906,560	3,413,228
Accumulated losses		(67,693,975)	(67,976,466)
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company		59,343,872	18,154,727
Perpetual capital instruments	56	22,377,908	25,475,878
Non-controlling interests		22,262,647	20,626,259
Total equity		103,984,427	64,256,864
Total equity and liabilities		1,568,421,782	1,641,467,036

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The consolidated financial statements on page 149 to 341 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 28 March 2022 and are signed on its behalf by:



CHAIRMAN



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

(Amounts in thousands of Renminbi, unless otherwise stated)

Note V	Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company												Total	
	Share capital	Capital reserve	Surplus reserve	General reserve	Other reserves					Subtotal	Perpetual capital instruments	Non-controlling interests		
					Investment revaluation reserve	Translation reserve	Hedging reserve	Others	Accumulated losses					
As at 1 January 2021	39,070,208	17,241,496	8,564,210	17,842,051	2,288,475	1,593,515	(425,673)	(43,089)	(67,976,466)	18,154,727	25,475,878	20,626,259	64,256,864	
Profit for the year	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	378,475	378,475	1,219,190	388,401	1,986,066	
Other comprehensive income for the year	—	—	—	—	(1,301,008)	1,432,933	326,372	(14,449)	—	443,848	—	104,312	548,160	
Total comprehensive income for the year	—	—	—	—	(1,301,008)	1,432,933	326,372	(14,449)	378,475	822,323	1,219,190	492,713	2,534,226	
Share issued	51	41,176,471	805,333	—	—	—	—	—	—	41,981,804	—	—	41,981,804	
Dividends declared	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(522,579)	(522,579)	
Appropriation to general reserve	54	—	—	46,500	—	—	—	—	(46,500)	—	—	—	—	
Redemption of perpetual capital instruments	56	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(3,345,465)	—	(3,345,465)	
Distribution relating to perpetual capital instruments	56	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(971,695)	—	(971,695)	
Acquisition of subsidiaries	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12,000	12,000	
Disposals of subsidiaries	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(85,522)	(85,522)	
Change in ownership interests in subsidiaries	—	129,721	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	129,721	—	—	129,721	
Realised loss of equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	28	—	—	—	49,484	—	—	—	(49,484)	—	—	—	—	
Others	—	(1,744,703)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(1,744,703)	—	1,739,776	(4,927)	
As at 31 December 2021		<u>80,246,679</u>	<u>16,431,847</u>	<u>8,564,210</u>	<u>17,888,551</u>	<u>1,036,951</u>	<u>3,026,448</u>	<u>(99,301)</u>	<u>(57,538)</u>	<u>(67,693,975)</u>	<u>59,343,872</u>	<u>22,377,908</u>	<u>22,262,647</u>	<u>103,984,427</u>

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

(Amounts in thousands of Renminbi, unless otherwise stated)

Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company													
Note V	Share capital	Capital reserve	Surplus reserve	General reserve	Other reserves				Retained earnings/ (Accumulated losses)	Subtotal	Perpetual capital instruments	Non-controlling interests	Total
					Investment revaluation reserve	Translation reserve	Hedging reserve	Others					
As at 1 January 2020	39,070,208	18,405,019	8,564,210	16,681,256	2,739,804	(485,921)	(426,303)	(20,649)	36,731,157	121,258,781	18,430,576	23,787,125	163,476,482
(Loss)/profit for the year	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(102,902,991)	(102,902,991)	811,336	(4,182,609)	(106,274,264)
Other comprehensive income for the year	—	—	—	—	(665,394)	2,079,436	630	(22,440)	—	1,392,232	—	208,789	1,601,021
Total comprehensive (expense)/income for the year	—	—	—	—	(665,394)	2,079,436	630	(22,440)	(102,902,991)	(101,510,759)	811,336	(3,973,820)	(104,673,243)
Dividends declared	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(429,772)	(429,772)	—	(932,972)	(1,362,744)
Appropriation to general reserve	54	—	—	1,160,795	—	—	—	—	(1,160,795)	—	—	—	—
Issuance of perpetual capital instruments	56	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6,994,560	—	6,994,560
Distribution relating to perpetual capital instruments	56	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(760,594)	—	(760,594)
Acquisition of subsidiaries	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	459,391	459,391
Disposals of subsidiaries	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(214,577)	(214,577)
Change in ownership interests in subsidiaries	—	(1,302,208)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(1,302,208)	—	1,501,112	198,904
Realised loss of equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	28	—	—	—	214,065	—	—	—	(214,065)	—	—	—	—
Others	—	138,685	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	138,685	—	—	138,685
As at 31 December 2020	39,070,208	17,241,496	8,564,210	17,842,051	2,288,475	1,593,515	(425,673)	(43,089)	(67,976,466)	18,154,727	25,475,878	20,626,259	64,256,864

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

(Amounts in thousands of Renminbi, unless otherwise stated)

	Note V	Year ended 31 December	
		2021	2020
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Profit/(loss) before tax from continuing operations		6,898,458	(102,880,487)
Profit before tax from a discontinued operation	68	236,316	145,915
Adjustments for:			
Impairment losses on financial assets and other items under expected credit loss model		17,091,105	97,679,629
Impairment losses on other assets		937,918	10,075,773
Depreciation of property and equipment and investment properties		1,015,243	1,149,472
Depreciation of right-of-use assets		718,349	703,387
Amortisation of intangible assets and other assets		259,660	240,835
Share of results of associates and joint ventures		(134,625)	846,446
Fair value changes on financial assets and liabilities		(10,534,770)	17,378,727
Interest income arising from investment other than held for trading		(15,997,769)	(17,490,560)
Dividend income		(907,805)	(1,110,169)
Gains from derecognition of financial assets measured at amortised cost		(541,156)	(268,001)
Gains from derecognition of debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income		(334,586)	(154,769)
Interest expenses of bonds and notes issued and other borrowings		14,435,825	17,451,112
Change in net assets attributable to other holders of consolidated structured entities		2,669,413	500,515
Net gains on disposals or deemed disposals of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures		(571,681)	(769,081)
Net gains on disposal of property and equipment		(264,768)	(18,829)
Net foreign exchange losses		417,592	33,503
Net addition/(reversal) of contingent liabilities		70,493	(15,339)
Operating cash flows before movements			
in working capital		15,463,212	23,498,079
Net increase in loans and advances to customers		(19,628,116)	(25,820,740)
Net decrease in finance lease receivables		15,537,109	27,554,351
Net decrease in balances with central bank and deposits with financial institutions		144,301	14,522,987
Net decrease/(increase) in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		34,102,290	(7,601,447)

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

(Amounts in thousands of Renminbi, unless otherwise stated)

	Note V	Year ended 31 December	
		2021	2020
Net decrease/(increase) in placements with financial institutions		1,888,229	(2,038,081)
Net decrease/(increase) in financial assets held under resale agreements		5,654,106	(3,081,064)
Net decrease/(increase) in debt instruments at amortised cost		40,568,142	(64,373,369)
Net decrease in debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income		13,222,189	21,284,254
Net increase in due to customers		5,593,028	23,711,597
Net (decrease)/increase in borrowings from central bank		(53,589)	19,402,510
Net increase in placements and deposits from financial institutions		127,366	1,013,011
Net increase/(decrease) in financial assets sold under repurchase agreements		15,324,158	(121,739)
Net (decrease)/increase in borrowings of financial institution subsidiaries		(18,301,868)	52,562,710
Other changes in operating receivables		(7,390,966)	(18,691,958)
Other changes in operating payables		(2,427,635)	489,240
Cash from operations		99,821,956	62,310,341
Income tax paid		(4,398,371)	(8,881,526)
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		95,423,585	53,428,815
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Cash receipts from disposals of financial assets		146,576,002	107,197,930
Cash receipts from interest income arising from investment other than held for trading		14,259,367	16,129,964
Cash receipts from dividend income		944,710	1,350,441
Cash receipts from disposals/liquidation of associates and joint ventures		4,463,020	9,704,953
Cash receipts from disposals of property and equipment, and other assets		1,279,277	297,603
Cash payments for purchases of financial assets		(124,680,507)	(137,688,597)
Cash payments for investment in associates and joint ventures		(336,413)	(1,801,098)
Cash receipts for pledge deposits in bank		1,701,782	603,248

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

(Amounts in thousands of Renminbi, unless otherwise stated)

	Note V	Year ended 31 December	
		2021	2020
Cash payments for purchases of property and equipment, investment properties and other assets		(981,666)	(1,284,882)
Net cash inflow on acquisitions of subsidiaries		12,000	2,462,850
Net cash inflow on disposals of subsidiaries		175,809	294,852
NET CASH FROM/(USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES		43,413,381	(2,732,736)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Cash payments for consolidated structured entities	64	(36,383,699)	(5,207,451)
Issuance of perpetual capital instruments		—	6,994,560
Redemption of perpetual capital instruments		(3,345,465)	—
Proceeds of borrowings of non-financial institution subsidiaries	64	27,664,954	67,960,269
Repayments of borrowings of non-financial institution subsidiaries	64	(38,600,104)	(103,280,096)
Repayments of leases liabilities	64	(906,299)	(949,344)
Cash receipts from bonds and notes issued	64	114,160,614	152,189,420
Cash payments for transaction cost of bonds and notes issued	64	—	(71,181)
Cash repayments for bonds and notes redeemed	64	(172,937,919)	(172,681,700)
Proceeds from issue of shares		41,981,804	—
Interest paid for bonds and notes issued and other borrowings	64	(18,364,495)	(19,652,439)
Dividends paid	64	(4,643,689)	(1,297,991)
Cash payments for distribution to holders of perpetual capital instruments		(971,695)	(760,594)
NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(92,345,993)	(76,756,547)

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

(Amounts in thousands of Renminbi, unless otherwise stated)

	Note V	Year ended 31 December	
		2021	2020
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		46,490,973	(26,060,468)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF THE YEAR		133,154,878	159,234,357
EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(8,628)	(19,011)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE YEAR	57	179,637,223	133,154,878
NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:			
Interest received		58,303,180	54,447,738
Interest paid		(38,983,880)	(36,949,397)
		19,319,300	17,498,341

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd. (the “Company”) was transformed from the former China Huarong Asset Management Corporation (the “Former Huarong”) which was a wholly state-owned financial enterprise established in the People’s Republic of China (the “PRC”) by the Ministry of Finance (the “MOF”) on 1 November 1999 as approved by the State Council of the PRC (the “State Council”). On 28 September 2012, the Company was established after the completion of the financial restructuring of the Former Huarong as approved by the State Council. Its registered office is located at No. 8, Finance Street, Xicheng District, Beijing 100033, PRC.

The Company has financial services certificate No.J0001H111000001 issued by the China Banking and Insurance Regulatory Commission (the “CBIRC”), and business license No. 911100007109255774 issued by the State Administration of Industry and Commerce of the PRC.

The Company was listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Hong Kong Stock Exchange”) on 30 October 2015. The Company and its subsidiaries are collectively referred to as the “Group”.

The principal activities of the Group comprise acquiring and entrusting to manage, invest and dispose of both financial and non-financial institution distressed assets, including debt-to-equity swap assets; bankruptcy management; investment; securities dealing; financial bonds issuance, inter-bank borrowing and lending, commercial financing for other financial institutions; approved asset securitisation business, financial institutions custody, closing and liquidation of business; consulting and advisory business on finance, investment, legal and risk management; assets and project evaluation; deposits taking from customers, lending to corporates and individuals; clearing and settlement services; financial leasing services; securities and futures services; fund management and asset management services; trust services; real estate and industrial investments and other businesses approved by the CBIRC or other regulatory bodies.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Renminbi (“RMB”), which is also the functional currency of the Company.

II. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“IFRSs”)

1. Standards, amendments and interpretations effective in 2021

The Group applied for the first-time certain standards and amendments, which are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021 (unless otherwise stated). The Group has not early adopted any other standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective.

IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and
IFRS 16 Amendments
IFRS 16 Amendment

Interest Rate Benchmark Reform — Phase 2
Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions
beyond 30 June 2021

IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16 Amendments provide temporary reliefs which address the financial reporting effects when an interbank offered rate (IBOR) is replaced with an alternative nearly risk-free interest rate (RFR). The amendments include the following practical expedients:

- A practical expedient to require contractual changes, or changes to cash flows that are directly required by the reform, to be treated as changes to a floating interest rate, equivalent to a movement in a market rate of interest;
- Permit changes required by IBOR reform to be made to hedge designations and hedge documentation without the hedging relationship being discontinued;
- Provide temporary relief to entities from having to meet the separately identifiable requirement when an RFR instrument is designated as a hedge of a risk component.

IFRS 16 Amendment was intended to apply until 30 June 2021, but as the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic is continuing, on 31 March 2021, the IASB extended the period of application of the practical expedient to 30 June 2022. The amendment applies to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 April 2021. However, the Group has not received Covid-19-related rent concessions, but plans to apply the practical expedient if it becomes applicable within allowed period of application.

The adoption of the above standards, amendments and interpretations does not have any significant impact on the operating results, financial position and comprehensive income of the Group.

II. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“IFRSs”) (continued)

2. Standards, amendments and interpretations that are not yet effective and have not been early adopted by the Group in 2021

		Effective for annual periods beginning on or after
IAS 16 Amendments	<i>Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use</i>	1 January 2022
IAS 37 Amendments	<i>Onerous Contracts — Cost of Fulfilling a Contract</i>	1 January 2022
IFRS 9	<i>Financial Instruments — Fees in the ‘10 per cent’ test for derecognition of financial liabilities</i>	1 January 2022
IAS 8 Amendments	<i>Definition of Accounting Estimates</i>	1 January 2023
IAS 1 Amendments and IFRS Practice Statement 2	<i>Disclosure of Accounting Policies</i>	1 January 2023

IAS 16 amendments prohibit entities from deducting from the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment, any proceeds from selling items produced while bringing that asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Instead, an entity recognises the proceeds from selling such items, and the costs of producing those items, in profit or loss.

IAS 37 amendments apply a “directly related cost approach”. The costs that relate directly to a contract to provide goods or services include both incremental costs and an allocation of costs directly related to contract activities. General and administrative costs do not relate directly to a contract and are excluded unless they are explicitly chargeable to the counterparty under the contract.

IFRS 9 amendments clarify the fees that an entity includes when assessing whether the terms of a new or modified financial liability are substantially different from the terms of the original financial liability. These fees include only those paid or received by the borrower and the lender, including fees paid or received by either the borrower or lender on the other’s behalf. An entity applies the amendments to financial liabilities that are modified or exchanged on or after the beginning of the annual reporting period in which the entity first applies the amendments.

IAS 8 amendments introduce a definition of “accounting estimates”. The amendments clarify the distinction between changes in accounting estimates and changes in accounting policies and the correction of errors. Also, they clarify how entities use measurement techniques and inputs to develop accounting estimates.

II. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“IFRSs”) (continued)

2. Standards, amendments and interpretations that are not yet effective and have not been early adopted by the Group in 2021 (continued)

IAS 1 amendments and IFRS practice statement 2 provide guidance and examples to help entities apply materiality judgements to accounting policy disclosures. The amendments aim to help entities provide accounting policy disclosures that are more useful by replacing the requirement for entities to disclose their ‘significant’ accounting policies with a requirement to disclose their ‘material’ accounting policies and adding guidance on how entities apply the concept of materiality in making decisions about accounting policy disclosures.

The Group is considering the impact of these standards, amendments and interpretations on the consolidated financial statements.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRSs as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. In addition, the consolidated financial statements include applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“Listing Rules”) and by the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

2. Basis of preparation

The Group’s consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (including derivative financial instruments) and financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income are measured at fair values in the consolidated financial statements. Assets that meet the criteria to be classified as held for sale are measured at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell. Other accounting items are measured at historical costs. An impairment provision is recognised if there is objective evidence of asset impairment.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRSs requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group’s accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements are disclosed in Note IV. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

3. Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries as at 31 December 2021 including controlled structured entities. A company consolidates a subsidiary when it controls it. Control is achieved when the Company:

- has power over the investee;
- is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee; and
- has the ability to use its power to affect its returns.

The Group reassesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control listed above.

When the Group has less than a majority of the voting rights of an investee, it has power over the investee when the voting rights are sufficient to give it the practical ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee unilaterally. The Group considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether or not the Group's voting rights in an investee are sufficient to give it power, including:

- the size of the Group's holding of voting rights relative to the size and dispersion of holdings of the other vote holders;
- potential voting rights held by the Group, other vote holders or other parties;
- rights arising from other contractual arrangements; and
- any additional facts and circumstances that indicate that the Group has, or does not have, the current ability to direct the relevant activities at the time that decisions need to be made, including voting patterns at previous shareholders' meetings.

Consolidation of a subsidiary begins when the Group obtains control over the subsidiary and ceases when the Group loses control of the subsidiary. Specifically, income and expenses of a subsidiary acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income from the date the Group gains control until the date when the Group ceases to control the subsidiary.

Profit or loss and each item of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests. Total comprehensive income of subsidiaries is attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

When necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies in line with the Group's accounting policies.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

3. Basis of consolidation (continued)

All intragroup assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation.

Non-controlling interests in subsidiaries are presented separately from the Group's equity therein, which represent present ownership interests entitling their holders to a proportionate share of net assets of the relevant subsidiaries upon liquidation.

Changes in the Group's interests in existing subsidiaries

Changes in the Group's interests in subsidiaries that do not result in the Group losing control over the subsidiaries are accounted for as equity transactions. The carrying amounts of the Group's relevant components of equity and the non-controlling interests are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiaries, including re-attribution of relevant reserves between the Group and the non-controlling interests according to the Group's and the non-controlling interests' proportionate interests.

Any difference between the amount by which the non-controlling interests are adjusted, and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised directly in equity and attributed to the owners of the Company.

When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, the assets and liabilities of that subsidiary and non-controlling interests (if any) are derecognised. A gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss and is calculated as the difference between (i) the aggregate of the fair value of the consideration received and the fair value of any retained interest and (ii) the carrying amount of the assets (including goodwill), and liabilities of the subsidiary attributable to the owners of the Company. All amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in relation to that subsidiary are accounted for as if the Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities of the subsidiary (i.e. reclassified to profit or loss or transferred to another category of equity as specified/permitted by applicable IFRSs). The fair value of any investment retained in the former subsidiary at the date when control is lost is regarded as the fair value on initial recognition for subsequent accounting under IFRS 9 or, when applicable, the cost on initial recognition of an investment in an associate or a joint venture.

4. Business combinations

Acquisitions of businesses, other than business combination under common control are accounted for using the acquisition method. The consideration transferred in a business combination is measured at fair value, which is calculated as the sum of the acquisition-date fair values of the assets transferred by the Group, liabilities incurred by the Group to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Group in exchange for control of the acquiree. Acquisition-related costs are generally recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

At the acquisition date, the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed are recognised at their fair value.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

4. Business combinations (continued)

Goodwill is measured as the excess of the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree, and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree (if any) over the net amount of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed as at acquisition date. If, after re-assessment, the net amount of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed exceeds the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held interest in the acquiree (if any), the excess is recognised immediately in profit or loss as a bargain purchase gain.

Non-controlling interests that present ownership interests and entitle their holders to a proportionate share of the relevant subsidiary's net assets in the event of liquidation are initially measured at the non-controlling interests' proportionate share of the recognised amounts of the acquiree's identifiable net assets or at fair value. The choice of measurement basis is made on a transaction-by-transaction basis. Other types of non-controlling interests are measured at their fair value.

When a business combination is achieved in stages, the Group's previously held equity interest in the acquiree is remeasured to fair value at the acquisition date (i.e. the date when the Group obtains control), and the resulting gain or loss, if any, is recognised in profit or loss or other comprehensive income, as appropriate. Amounts arising from interests in the acquiree prior to the acquisition date that have previously been recognised in other comprehensive income and measured under IFRS 9 would be accounted for on the same basis as would be required if the Group had disposed directly of the previously held equity interest.

If the initial accounting for a business combination is incomplete by the end of the reporting period in which the combination occurs, the Group reports provisional amounts for the items for which the accounting is incomplete. Those provisional amounts are adjusted retrospectively during the measurement period (see above), and additional assets or liabilities are recognised, to reflect new information obtained about facts and circumstances that existed at the acquisition date that, if known, would have affected the amounts recognised at that date.

5. Goodwill

Goodwill arising on an acquisition of a business is carried at cost as established at the date of acquisition of the business (see Note III. 4 above) less accumulated impairment losses, if any.

For the purposes of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units (or groups of cash-generating units) that is expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, which represent the lowest level at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes and not larger than an operating segment.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

5. Goodwill (continued)

A cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) to which goodwill has been allocated is tested for impairment annually or more frequently when there is an indication that the unit may be impaired. For goodwill arising on an acquisition in a reporting period, the cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) to which goodwill has been allocated is tested for impairment before the end of that reporting period. If the recoverable amount is less than its carrying amount, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill and then to the other assets on a pro-rata basis based on the carrying amount of each asset in the unit (or group of cash-generating units).

On disposal of the relevant cash-generating unit or any of the cash-generating unit within the group of cash-generating units, the attributable amount of goodwill is included in the determination of the amount of profit or loss on disposal. When the Group disposes of an operation within the cash-generating unit (or a cash-generating unit within a group of cash-generating units), the amount of goodwill disposed of is measured on the basis of the relative values of the operation (or the cash-generating unit) disposed of and the portion of the cash-generating unit (or the group of cash-generating units) retained.

The Group's policy for goodwill arising on the acquisition of an associate and a joint venture is described in Note III. 6 below.

6. Interests in associates and joint ventures

An associate is an entity over which the Group has significant influence. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control over those policies.

A joint venture is a joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the net assets of the joint arrangement. Joint control is the contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

The results and assets and liabilities of associates and joint ventures are incorporated in the consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting. The financial statements of associates and joint ventures used for equity accounting purpose are prepared using uniform accounting policies as those of the Group for like transactions and events in similar circumstance, except for the fact that IFRS 9, IFRS 15 and IFRS 16 have not yet been adopted by some of these associates or joint ventures. Appropriate adjustments have been made to conform the associate's and the joint venture's accounting policies to those of the Group. Under the equity method, an investment in an associate or a joint venture is initially recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost and adjusted thereafter to recognise the Group's share of the profit or loss and other

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

6. Interests in associates and joint ventures (continued)

comprehensive income of the associates or joint ventures. Changes in net assets of the associate/joint venture other than profit or loss and other comprehensive income are not accounted for unless such changes resulted in changes in ownership interest held by the Group. When the Group's share of losses of an associate or a joint venture exceeds the Group's interest in that associate or joint venture (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group's net investment in the associate or joint venture), the Group discontinues recognising its share of further losses. Additional losses are recognised only to the extent that the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate or joint venture.

An investment in an associate or a joint venture is accounted for using the equity method from the date on which the investee becomes an associate or a joint venture. On acquisition of the investment in an associate or a joint venture, any excess of the cost of the investment over the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of the investee is recognised as goodwill, which is included within the carrying amount of the investment. Any excess of the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities over the cost of the investment, after reassessment, is recognised immediately in profit or loss in the period in which the investment is acquired.

The Group assesses whether there is an objective evidence that the interest in an associate or a joint venture may be impaired. When any objective evidence exists, the entire carrying amount of the investment (including goodwill) is tested for impairment in accordance with IAS 36 as a single asset by comparing its recoverable amount (higher of value in use and fair value less costs of disposal) with its carrying amount. Any impairment loss recognised is not allocated to any asset, including goodwill, that forms part of the carrying amount of the investment. Any reversal of that impairment loss is recognised in accordance with IAS 36 to the extent that the recoverable amount of the investment subsequently increases.

When the Group ceases to have significant influence over an associate or joint control over a joint venture, it is accounted for as a disposal of the entire interest in the investee with a resulting gain or loss being recognised in profit or loss. When the Group retains an interest in the former associate or joint venture and the retained interest is a financial asset within the scope of IFRS 9, the Group measures the retained interest at fair value at that date and the fair value is regarded as its fair value on initial recognition. The difference between the carrying amount of the associate or joint venture and the fair value of any retained interest and any proceeds from disposing the relevant interest in the associate or joint venture is included in the determination of the gain or loss on disposal of the associate or joint venture. In addition, the Group accounts for all amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in relation to that associate or joint venture on the same basis as would be required if that associate or joint venture had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities. Therefore, if a gain or loss previously recognised in other comprehensive income by that associate or joint venture would be reclassified to profit or loss on the disposal of the related assets or liabilities, the Group reclassifies the gain or loss from equity to profit or loss (as a reclassification adjustment) upon disposal/partial disposal of the relevant associate or joint venture.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

6. Interests in associates and joint ventures (continued)

The Group continues to use the equity method when an investment in an associate becomes an investment in a joint venture or an investment in a joint venture becomes an investment in an associate. There is no remeasurement to fair value upon such changes in ownership interests.

When the Group reduces its ownership interest in an associate or a joint venture but the Group continues to use the equity method, the Group reclassifies to profit or loss the proportion of the gain or loss that had previously been recognised in other comprehensive income relating to that reduction in ownership interest if that gain or loss would be reclassified to profit or loss on the disposal of the related assets or liabilities.

When a group entity transacts with an associate or a joint venture of the Group, profits and losses resulting from the transactions with the associate or joint venture are recognised in the Group's consolidated financial statements only to the extent of interests in the associate or joint venture that are not related to the Group.

7. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash consists of cash on hand and deposits which is not subject to any restriction for use. Cash equivalents refer to short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

8. Foreign currencies

The functional currency of the Company and its subsidiaries operating in Mainland China is RMB. The Company's subsidiaries operating outside Mainland China choose their functional currency on the basis of the primary economic environment in which they operate.

In preparing the financial statements of each individual group entity, transactions in currencies other than the functional currency of that entity (foreign currencies) are recognised at the rates of exchanges prevailing on the dates of the transactions. At the end of the reporting period, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at that date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items, and on the retranslation of monetary items, are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

For the purposes of presenting the consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the Group's operations are translated into the presentation currency of the Group using the rate of exchange prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Income and expenses items are translated at the average exchange rate for the period. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity under the heading of translation reserve (attributed to non-controlling interests as appropriate).

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

8. Foreign currencies (continued)

On the disposal of a foreign operation (that is, a disposal of the Group's entire interest in a foreign operation, or a disposal involving loss of control over a subsidiary that includes a foreign operation, or a partial disposal of an interest in a joint arrangement or an associate that includes a foreign operation of which the retained interest becomes a financial asset), all of the exchange differences accumulated in equity in respect of that operation attributable to the owners of the Company are reclassified to profit or loss.

In addition, in relation to a partial disposal of a subsidiary that does not result in the Group losing control over the subsidiary, the proportionate share of accumulated exchange differences are re-attributed to non-controlling interests and are not recognised in profit or loss. For all other partial disposals (i.e. partial disposals of associates or joint arrangements that do not result in the Group losing significant influence or joint control), the proportionate share of the accumulated exchange differences is reclassified to profit or loss.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments on identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed through acquisition of a foreign operation are treated as assets and liabilities of that foreign operation and translated at the rate of exchange prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Exchange differences arising are recognised in other comprehensive income.

9. Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position when a group entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value except for trade receivables arising from contracts with customers which are initially measured in accordance with IFRS 15. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset or financial liability and of allocating interest income and interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts and payments (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial asset or financial liability, or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

9. Financial instruments (continued)

9.1 *Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets*

The Group classifies financial assets as subsequently measured at amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income (“FVOCI”) or fair value through profit or loss (“FVTPL”) on the basis of both the Group’s business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset.

Business model

An entity’s business model refers to how an entity manages its financial assets in order to generate cash flows. That is, the entity’s business model determines whether cash flows will result from collecting contractual cash flows, or both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets. If neither of the above applies, the business model of the financial assets is “other”. The entity’s assessment of the business model is performed on a financial assets portfolio basis, and determined on a reasonable expected scenario, taking into account: how cash flows were generated in the past, how the performance of the business model and the financial assets held within that business model are evaluated and reported to the entity’s key management personnel; the risks that affect the performance of the business model (and the financial assets held within that business model) and, in particular, the way in which those risks are managed; and how managers of the business are compensated.

The contractual cash flow characteristics

The assessment of contractual cash flow characteristics is to identify whether the cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. Principal is the fair value of the financial asset at initial recognition. However the principal amount may change over the life of the financial asset (for example, if there are early repayments of principal). Interest consists of consideration for the time value of money, for the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding during a particular period of time and for other basic lending risks, costs and profits.

Financial assets that meet the following conditions are subsequently measured at amortised cost:

- the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Financial assets that meet the following conditions are subsequently measured at fair value through other comprehensive income:

- the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both selling and collecting contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

9. Financial instruments (continued)

9.1 Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets (continued)

The contractual cash flow characteristics (continued)

All other financial assets are subsequently measured at fair value through profit or loss, except that at the date of initial recognition of a financial asset the Group may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in fair value of an equity investment in other comprehensive income (“OCI”) if that equity investment is neither held for trading nor contingent consideration recognised by an acquirer in a business combination to which IFRS 3 *Business Combinations* applies.

A financial asset is classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss if:

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling it in the near term; or
- on initial recognition it is a part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Group manages together and has a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- it is a derivative that is not designated and effective as a hedging instrument.

A financial asset shall be measured at fair value through profit or loss unless it is measured at amortised cost or at fair value through other comprehensive income.

In addition, the Group may irrevocably designate a financial asset that are required to be measured at the amortised cost or FVOCI as measured at FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch.

(i) Amortised cost and interest income

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method for financial assets measured subsequently at amortised cost and debt instruments/receivables subsequently measured at FVOCI. Interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset, except for financial assets that have subsequently become credit-impaired. For financial assets that have subsequently become credit-impaired, interest income is recognised by applying the effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset from the next reporting period. If the credit risk on the credit-impaired financial instrument improves so that the financial asset is no longer credit-impaired, interest income is recognised by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of the financial asset from the beginning of the reporting period following the determination that the asset is no longer credit-impaired.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

9. Financial instruments (continued)

9.1 Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets (continued)

The contractual cash flow characteristics (continued)

(i) Amortised cost and interest income (continued)

For purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets, the Group recognises interest income by applying the credit-adjusted effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset from initial recognition. The calculation does not revert to the gross basis even if the credit risk of the financial asset subsequently improves so that the financial asset is no longer credit-impaired.

(ii) Debt instruments/receivables classified as at FVOCI

Subsequent changes in the carrying amounts for debt instruments/receivables classified as at FVOCI as a result of interest income calculated using the effective interest method, and foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss. All other changes in the carrying amount of these debt instruments/receivables are recognised in OCI and accumulated under the heading of investment revaluation reserve. Impairment allowances are recognised in profit or loss with corresponding adjustment to OCI without reducing the carrying amounts of these debt instruments/receivables. When these debt instruments/receivables are derecognised, the cumulative gains or losses previously recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss.

(iii) Equity instruments designated as at FVOCI

Investments in equity instruments at FVOCI are subsequently measured at fair value with gains and losses arising from changes in fair value recognised in OCI and accumulated in the investment revaluation reserve; and are not subject to impairment assessment. The cumulative gain or loss will not be reclassified to profit or loss on disposal of the equity investments, and will be transferred to retained earnings.

Dividends from these investments in equity instruments are recognised in profit or loss when the Group's right to receive the dividends is established, unless the dividends clearly represent a recovery of part of the cost of the investment. Dividends are included in the "dividend income" line item in profit or loss.

(iv) Financial assets at FVTPL

Financial assets that do not meet the criteria for being measured at amortised cost or FVOCI or designated as FVOCI are measured at FVTPL.

Financial assets at FVTPL are measured at fair value at the end of each reporting period, with any fair value gains or losses recognised in profit or loss. The net gain or loss recognised in profit or loss includes any dividend or interest earned on the financial asset and is included in the "fair value changes on distressed debt assets" or "fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities" line items.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

9. Financial instruments (continued)

9.2 *Impairment of financial assets and other items subject to impairment assessment under IFRS 9*

The Group performs impairment assessment under Expected Credit Loss (“ECL”) model on financial assets (including loans and advances to customers, financial assets held under resale agreements, debt instruments at FVOCI, debt instruments at amortised cost and other financial assets) and other items (finance lease receivables, credit enhancement and credit commitments) which are subject to impairment under IFRS 9. The amount of ECL is updated at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition.

Lifetime ECL represents the ECL that will result from all possible default events over the expected life of the relevant instrument, (referred to as Stage 2 and Stage 3). In contrast, 12-month ECL (“12m ECL”) represents the portion of lifetime ECL that is expected to result from default events that are possible within 12 months after the reporting date, (referred to as Stage 1). Assessment are done based on the Group’s historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions and an assessment of both the current conditions at the reporting date as well as the forecast of future conditions.

The Group always recognises lifetime ECL for trade receivables, payment in advance and contract assets without significant financing component. The ECL on these assets are assessed individually for debtors with significant balances or collectively using a provision matrix with appropriate groupings.

For all other instruments, the Group measures the loss allowance equal to 12-month ECL, unless when there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, the Group recognises lifetime ECL. The assessment of whether lifetime ECL should be recognised is based on significant increases in the likelihood or risk of a default occurring since initial recognition.

(i) Significant increase in credit risk

In assessing whether the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group compares the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the reporting date with the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the date of initial recognition. In making this assessment, the Group considers both quantitative and qualitative information that is reasonable and supportable, including historical experience and forward-looking information that is available without undue cost or effort.

In particular, the following information is taken into account when assessing whether credit risk has increased significantly:

- an actual or expected significant deterioration in the financial instrument’s external (if available) or internal credit rating;
- significant deterioration in external market indicators of credit risk, e.g. a significant increase in the credit spread, the credit default swap prices for the debtor;

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

9. Financial instruments (continued)

9.2 *Impairment of financial assets and other items subject to impairment assessment under IFRS 9 (continued)*

(i) Significant increase in credit risk (continued)

- existing or forecast adverse changes in business, financial or economic conditions that are expected to cause a significant decrease in the debtor's ability to meet its debt obligations;
- an actual or expected significant deterioration in the operating results of the debtor;
- an actual or expected significant adverse change in the regulatory, economic, or technological environment of the debtor that results in a significant decrease in the debtor's ability to meet its debt obligations.

Irrespective of the outcome of the above assessment, the Group presumes that the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition when contractual payments are more than 30 days past due, unless the Group has reasonable and supportable information that demonstrates otherwise.

Despite the foregoing, the Group assumes that the credit risk on a debt instrument has not increased significantly since initial recognition if the debt instrument is determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date. A debt instrument is determined to have low credit risk if i) it has a low risk of default, ii) the borrower has a strong capacity to meet its contractual cash flow obligations in the near term and iii) adverse changes in economic and business conditions in the longer term may, but will not necessarily, reduce the ability of the borrower to fulfil its contractual cash flow obligations. The Group considers a debt instrument to have low credit risk when it has an internal or external credit rating of 'investment grade' as per globally understood definitions.

For loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts, the date that the Group becomes a party to the irrevocable commitment is considered to be the date of initial recognition for the purposes of assessing impairment. In assessing whether there has been a significant increase in the credit risk since initial recognition of a loan commitment, the Group considers changes in the risk of a default occurring on the loan to which a loan commitment relates; for financial guarantee contracts, the Group considers the changes in the risk that the specified debtor will default on the contract.

The Group regularly monitors the effectiveness of the criteria used to identify whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk and revises them as appropriate to ensure that the criteria are capable of identifying significant increase in credit risk before the amount becomes past due.

(ii) Definition of default

For internal credit risk management, the Group considers an event of default occurs when information developed internally or obtained from external sources indicates that the debtor is unlikely to pay its creditors, including the Group, in full (without taking into account any collaterals held by the Group).

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

9. Financial instruments (continued)

9.2 *Impairment of financial assets and other items subject to impairment assessment under IFRS 9 (continued)*

(ii) Definition of default (continued)

Irrespective of the above, the Group considers that default has occurred when a financial asset is more than 90 days past due unless the Group has reasonable and supportable information to demonstrate that a more lagging default criterion is more appropriate.

(iii) Credit-impaired financial assets

A financial asset is credit-impaired when one or more events of default that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of that financial asset have occurred. Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes observable data about the following events:

- (a) significant financial difficulty of the issuer or the borrower;
- (b) a breach of contract, such as a default or past due event;
- (c) the lender(s) of the borrower, for economic or contractual reasons relating to the borrower's financial difficulty, having granted to the borrower a concession(s) that the lender(s) would not otherwise consider;
- (d) it is becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation;
- (e) the disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulties; or
- (f) To purchase or originate a financial asset at a substantial discount which reflects the fact that a credit loss has occurred.

(iv) Write-off policy

The Group writes off a financial asset when there is information indicating that the counterparty is in severe financial difficulty and there is no realistic prospect of recovery, for example, when the counterparty has been placed under liquidation or has entered into bankruptcy proceedings, whichever occurs sooner. Financial assets written off may still be subject to enforcement activities under the Group's recovery procedures, taking into account legal advice where appropriate. A write-off constitutes a derecognition event. Any subsequent recoveries are recognised in profit or loss.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

9. Financial instruments (continued)

9.2 *Impairment of financial assets and other items subject to impairment assessment under IFRS 9 (continued)*

(v) Measurement and recognition of ECL

The measurement of ECL is a function of the probability of default, loss given default (i.e. the magnitude of the loss if there is a default) and the exposure at default. The assessment of the probability of default and loss given default is based on historical data adjusted by forward-looking information. Estimation of ECL reflects an unbiased and probability-weighted amount that is determined with the respective risks of default occurring as the weights.

Generally, the ECL is the difference between all contractual cash flows that are due to the Group in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at the effective interest rate determined at initial recognition. For a finance lease receivable, the cash flows used for determining the ECL is consistent with the cash flows used in measuring the finance lease receivable in accordance with IFRS 16.

For a financial guarantee contract, the Group is required to make payments only in the event of a default by the debtor in accordance with the terms of the instrument that is guaranteed. Accordingly, the expected losses is the present value of the expected payments to reimburse the holder for a credit loss that it incurs less any amounts that the Group expects to receive from the holder, the debtor or any other party.

For undrawn loan commitments, the ECL is the present value of the difference between the contractual cash flows that are due to the Group if the holder of the loan commitments draws down the loan, and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive if the loan is drawn down.

For ECL on financial guarantee contracts or on loan commitments for which the effective interest rate cannot be determined, the Group will apply a discount rate that reflects the current market assessment of the time value of money and the risks that are specific to the cash flows but only if, and to the extent that, the risks are taken into account by adjusting the discount rate instead of adjusting the cash shortfalls being discounted.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

9. Financial instruments (continued)

9.2 *Impairment of financial assets and other items subject to impairment assessment under IFRS 9 (continued)*

(v) Measurement and recognition of ECL (continued)

Where ECL is measured on a collective basis or cater for cases where evidence at the individual instrument level may not yet be available, the financial instruments are grouped on the following basis:

- Nature of financial instruments;
- Past-due status;
- Nature and industry of debtors; and
- External credit ratings where available.

The grouping is regularly reviewed by management to ensure the constituents of each group continue to share similar credit risk characteristics.

Interest income is calculated based on the gross carrying amount of the financial asset unless the financial asset is credit-impaired, in which case interest income is calculated based on amortised cost of the financial asset.

For financial guarantee contracts, the loss allowances are recognised at the higher of the amount of the loss allowance determined in accordance with IFRS 9; and the amount initially recognised less, where appropriate, cumulative amount of income recognised over the guarantee period.

For undrawn loan commitments, the loss allowances are the present value of the difference between:

- the contractual cash flows that are due to the Group if the holder of the loan commitment draws down the loan; and
- the cash flows that the Group expects to receive if the loan is drawn down.

Except for investments in debt instruments/receivables that are measured at FVOCI, loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts, the Group recognises an impairment gain or loss in profit or loss for all financial instruments by adjusting their carrying amount where the corresponding adjustment is recognised through a loss allowance account. For investments in debt instruments that are measured at FVOCI, the loss allowance is recognised in OCI and accumulated in the investment revaluation reserve without reducing the carrying amounts of these debt instruments/receivables. Such amount represents the changes in the investment revaluation reserve in relation to accumulated loss allowance.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

9. Financial instruments (continued)

9.2 *Impairment of financial assets and other items subject to impairment assessment under IFRS 9 (continued)*

(vi) Presentation of allowance for ECL in the statement of financial position

Loss allowances for ECL are presented in the statement of financial position as follows:

- for financial assets measured at amortised cost: as a deduction from the gross carrying amount of the assets;
- for debt instruments measured at FVOCI: no loss allowance is recognised in the statement of financial position as the carrying amount is at fair value. However, the loss allowance is included as part of the revaluation amount in the investments revaluation (see Note V.27);
- for loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts: as a provision; and
- where a financial instrument includes both a drawn and an undrawn component, and the Group cannot identify the ECL on the loan commitment component separately from those on the drawn component: the Group presents a combined loss allowance for both components. The combined amount is presented as a deduction from the gross carrying amount of the drawn component. Any excess of the loss allowance over the gross amount of the drawn component is presented as a provision.

9.3 *Derecognition of financial assets*

The Group derecognises a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity. If the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Group recognises its retained interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Group retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Group continues to recognise the financial asset and also recognises a collateralised borrowing for the proceeds received.

On derecognition of a financial asset measured at amortised cost, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and is recognised in profit or loss.

On derecognition of an investment in a debt instrument classified as at FVOCI, the cumulative gain or loss previously accumulated in the investment revaluation reserve is reclassified to profit or loss.

On derecognition of an investment in equity instrument which the Group has elected on initial recognition to measure at FVOCI, the cumulative gain or loss previously accumulated in the investments revaluation reserve is not reclassified to profit or loss, but is transferred to retained earnings.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

9. Financial instruments (continued)

9.4 Financial liabilities and equity instruments

Classification as debt or equity

Debt and equity instruments are classified as either financial liabilities or as equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangements and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument.

Equity instruments

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of an entity after deducting all of its liabilities. Equity instruments issued by the Group are recognised at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

Perpetual capital instruments issued by the Group, which includes no contractual obligation for the Group to deliver cash or another financial asset to the holders or to exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with the holders under conditions that are potentially unfavorable to the Group, are classified as equity instruments and are initially recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

Financial liabilities

All financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method or at FVTPL.

Financial liabilities at FVTPL

Financial liabilities are classified as at FVTPL when the financial liability is (i) held for trading or (ii) it is designated as at FVTPL.

A financial liability is held for trading if:

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of repurchasing it in the near term; or
- on initial recognition it is a part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Group manages together and has a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- it is a derivative, except for a derivative that is a financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

9. Financial instruments (continued)

9.4 *Financial liabilities and equity instruments (continued)*

Financial liabilities at FVTPL (continued)

A financial liability other than a financial liability held for trading or contingent consideration of an acquirer in a business combination may be designated as at FVTPL upon initial recognition if:

- such designation eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency that would otherwise arise; or
- the financial liability forms part of a group of financial assets or financial liabilities or both, which is managed and its performance is evaluated on a fair value basis, in accordance with the Group's documented risk management or investment strategy, and information about the grouping is provided internally on that basis; or
- it forms part of a contract containing one or more embedded derivatives, and IFRS 9 permits the entire combined contract (asset or liability) to be designated as at FVTPL.

For financial liabilities that are designated as at FVTPL, the amount of change in the fair value of the financial liability that is attributable to changes in the credit risk of that liability is recognised in other comprehensive income, unless the recognition of the effects of changes in the liability's credit risk in other comprehensive income would create or enlarge an accounting mismatch in profit or loss. For financial liabilities that contain embedded derivatives, such as convertible loan notes, the changes in fair value of the embedded derivatives are excluded in determining the amount to be presented in other comprehensive income. Changes in fair value attributable to a financial liability's credit risk that are recognised in other comprehensive income are not subsequently reclassified to profit or loss; instead, they are transferred to retained earnings upon derecognition of the financial liability.

Financial liabilities at amortised cost

Other financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, with gain or loss arising from derecognition or amortisation recognised in profit or loss.

Financial guarantee contracts

A financial guarantee contract is a contract that requires the issuer to make specified payments to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payments when due in accordance with the terms of a debt instrument. Financial guarantee contracts liabilities are measured initially at their fair values. It is subsequently measured at the higher of:

- the amount of the loss allowance determined in accordance with IFRS 9; and
- the amount initially recognised less, where appropriate, cumulative amortisation recognised over the guarantee period.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

9. Financial instruments (continued)

9.5 *Derivative financial instruments*

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value at the date when the derivative contracts are entered into and are subsequently remeasured to their fair value at the end of the reporting period. The resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss unless the derivative is designated and effective as a hedging instrument, in which event the timing of the recognition in profit or loss depends on the nature of the hedge relationship.

Generally, multiple embedded derivatives in a single instrument that are separated from the host contracts are treated as a single compound embedded derivative unless those derivatives relate to different risk exposures and are readily separable and independent of each other.

Embedded derivatives

Derivatives embedded in hybrid contracts that contain financial asset hosts within the scope of IFRS 9 are not separated. The entire hybrid contract is classified and subsequently measured in its entirety as either amortised cost or fair value as appropriate.

Derivatives embedded in non-derivative host contracts that are not financial assets within the scope of IFRS 9 are treated as separate derivatives when they meet the definition of a derivative, their risks and characteristics are not closely related to those of the host contracts and the host contracts are not measured at FVTPL.

9.6 *Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities*

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the consolidated statement of financial position when, and only when, the Group currently has a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts; and intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the financial asset and settle the financial liability simultaneously.

10. Hedge accounting

The Group designates certain derivatives as hedging instruments for cash flow hedges.

At the inception of the hedging relationship the Group documents the relationship between the hedging instrument and the hedged item, along with its risk management objectives and its strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions. Furthermore, at the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis, the Group documents whether the hedging instrument is highly effective in offsetting changes in cash flows of the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

10. Hedge accounting (continued)

Assessment of hedging relationship and effectiveness

For hedge effectiveness assessment, the Group considers whether the hedging instrument is effective in offsetting changes in cash flows of the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk, which is when the hedging relationships meet all of the following hedge effectiveness requirements:

- there is an economic relationship between the hedged item and the hedging instrument;
- the effect of credit risk does not dominate the value changes that result from that economic relationship; and
- the hedge ratio of the hedging relationship is the same as that resulting from the quantity of the hedged item that the Group actually hedges and the quantity of the hedging instrument that the entity actually uses to hedge that quantity of hedged item.

If a hedging relationship ceases to meet the hedge effectiveness requirement relating to the hedge ratio but the risk management objective for that designated hedging relationship remains the same, the Group adjusts the hedge ratio of the hedging relationship (i.e. rebalances the hedge) so that it meets the qualifying criteria again.

Cash flow hedges

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges are recognised in other comprehensive income. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity are reclassified to profit or loss in the periods when the hedged item affects profit or loss, in the same line of the consolidated statement of profit or loss as the recognised hedged item.

Discontinuation of hedge accounting

The Group discontinues hedge accounting prospectively only when the hedging relationship (or a part thereof) ceases to meet the qualifying criteria (after rebalancing, if applicable). This includes instances when the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised. Discontinuing hedge accounting can either affect a hedging relationship in its entirety or only a part of it (in which case hedge accounting continues for the remainder of the hedging relationship).

For cash flow hedge, any gain or loss recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity at that time remains in equity and is recognised when the forecast transactions is ultimately recognised in profit or loss. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the gain or loss accumulated in equity is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

11. Contract assets and contract liabilities

The Group presents contract assets or contract liabilities in the statement of financial position based on the relationship between performance obligations and customer payments.

Contract assets

A contract asset is the right to consideration in exchange for goods or services transferred to the customer. If the Group performs by transferring goods or services to a customer before the customer pays consideration or before payment is due, a contract asset is recognised for the earned consideration that is conditional.

Contract liabilities

A contract liability is the obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which the Group has received a consideration (or an amount of consideration that is due) from the customer. If a customer pays the consideration before the Group transfers goods or services to the customer, a contract liability is recognised when the payment is made or the payment is due (whichever is earlier). Contract liabilities are recognised as revenue when the Group performs under the contract.

A contract asset and a contract liability relating to a contract are accounted for and presented on a net basis.

Incremental costs of obtaining a contract

Other than the costs which are capitalized as inventories, property, plant and equipment and intangible assets, costs incurred to obtain a contract with a customer are capitalized as an asset, unless the amortization period of the assets is one year or less, if all of the following criteria are met:

- The costs relate directly to a contract or to an anticipated contract that the entity can specifically identify;
- The costs generate or enhance resources of the entity that will be used in satisfying (or in continuing to satisfy) performance obligations in the future; and
- The costs are expected to be recovered.

The capitalized contract costs are amortised and charged to the statement of profit or loss on a systematic basis that is consistent with the pattern of the revenue to which the asset related is recognised.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

12. Inventories

Properties under development and properties for sale

Properties under development and properties for sale are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value on an individual basis. Cost is determined on a specific identification basis including allocation of the related development expenditure incurred and where appropriate, borrowing costs capitalised. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price for the properties less estimated cost to completion and costs necessary to make the sales.

Properties under development for sale are transferred to properties for sale upon completion.

13. Investment properties

Investment properties are properties held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation (including property under construction for such purposes).

All investment properties upon the incorporation of the Company were revalued by reference to the valuation carried out during the financial restructuring. The revalued amount was adopted as the deemed cost of the related investment properties.

Investment properties are initially measured at cost, including any directly attributable expenditure. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are stated at cost or deemed cost less subsequent accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or deemed cost of investment properties over their estimated useful lives and after taking into account of their estimated residual value, using the straight-line method.

Construction costs incurred for investment properties under construction are capitalised as part of the carrying amount of the investment properties under construction.

An investment property is derecognised upon disposal or when the investment property is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefits are expected from its disposals. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the property (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in the profit or loss in the period in which the property is derecognised.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

14. Property and equipment

Property and equipment including buildings held for use in the supply of services, or for administrative purposes are stated in the consolidated statements of financial position at cost, less subsequent accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any.

Properties in the course of construction for supply of services or administrative purposes are carried at cost, less any recognised impairment loss. Costs include any costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management and, for qualifying assets, borrowing costs capitalised in accordance with the Group's accounting policy. Depreciation of these assets, on the same basis as other property assets, commences when the assets are ready for their intended use.

Ownership interests in leasehold land and building

When the Group makes payments for ownership interests of properties which includes both leasehold land and building elements, the entire consideration is allocated between the leasehold land and the building elements in proportion to the relative fair values at initial recognition.

To the extent the allocation of the relevant payments can be made reliably, interest in leasehold land that is accounted for as an operating lease is presented as "right-of-use assets" in the consolidated statement of financial position. When the consideration cannot be allocated reliably between non-lease building element and undivided interest in the underlying leasehold land, the entire properties are classified as property, plant and equipment.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost of items of property and equipment (other than construction in progress) less their residual values over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis.

The useful lives, estimated residual value rates and annual depreciation rates of each class of property and equipment other than construction in progress are as follows:

Category	Depreciation	Residual value rates	Annual depreciation rates
Buildings	5–35 years	3%–5%	2.71%–19.40%
Machinery equipment	5–20 years	3%–5%	4.75%–19.40%
Electronic equipment, furniture and fixtures	3–10 years	3%–5%	9.50%–32.33%
Motor vehicles and vessels	4–6 years	3%–5%	15.83%–24.25%

An item of property and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. Any gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an item of property and equipment is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in profit or loss.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

15. Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets are capitalized when expenditures for such asset and borrowing costs are incurred and activities relating to the acquisition, construction or production of the assets that are necessary to prepare the assets for the intended use or sale have commenced. Capitalization of borrowing costs ceases when the qualifying assets being acquired, constructed or produced becomes ready for the intended use or sale. Capitalization of borrowing costs is suspended during periods in which the acquisition, construction or production of the qualifying assets are suspended abnormally. Capitalization is suspended until the acquisition, construction or production of the assets is resumed. Other borrowing costs are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

Where funds are borrowed under a specific-purpose borrowing, the amount of interest to be capitalized is the actual interest expense incurred on that borrowing for the period less any bank interest earned from depositing the borrowed funds before being used on the asset or any investment income on the temporary investment of those funds. Where funds are borrowed under general-purpose borrowings, the Group determines the amount of interest to be capitalized on such borrowings by applying a capitalization rate to the weighted average of the excess of cumulative expenditures on the asset over the amounts of specific-purpose borrowings. The capitalization rate is the weighted average of the interest rates applicable to the general-purpose borrowings.

During the capitalization period, exchange differences related to a specific-purpose borrowing denominated in foreign currency are all capitalized. Exchange differences in connection with general-purpose borrowings are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

16. Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired separately

Intangible assets with finite useful lives that are acquired separately are carried at costs less accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation for intangible assets with finite useful lives is recognised on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful life and amortisation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate being accounted for on a prospective basis. Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives that are acquired separately are carried at cost less any subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Intangible assets acquired in a business combination

Intangible assets acquired in a business combination are recognised separately from goodwill and are initially recognised at their fair value at the acquisition date (which is regarded as their cost).

Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets acquired in a business combination with finite useful lives are reported at revalued amounts, being their fair value at the date of the revaluation less subsequent accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses, on the same basis as intangible assets that are acquired separately. Intangible assets acquired in a business combination with indefinite useful lives are carried at cost less any subsequent accumulated impairment losses (see the accounting policy in respect of impairment losses on tangible and intangible assets below).

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

16. Intangible assets (continued)

Intangible assets acquired in a business combination (continued)

An intangible asset is derecognised on disposal, or when no future economic benefits are expected from use or disposal. Gains and losses arising from derecognition of an intangible asset, measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset, are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised.

17. Impairment on property and equipment, right-of-use assets and intangible assets other than goodwill (see the accounting policy in respect of goodwill above)

At the end of the reporting period, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of property and equipment, right-of-use assets and intangible assets with finite useful lives to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the relevant asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives and intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment at least annually, and whenever there is an indication that they may be impaired.

The recoverable amount of property and equipment, right-of-use assets and intangible assets are estimated individually. When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount individually, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

In addition, the Group assesses whether there is indication that corporate assets may be impaired. If such indication exists, corporate assets are also allocated to individual cash-generating units, when a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be identified, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of cash-generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be identified.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs of disposal and value-in-use. In assessing value-in-use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset (or a cash-generating unit) for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or a cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or a cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. For corporate assets or portion of corporate assets which cannot be allocated on a reasonable and consistent basis to a cash-generating unit, the Group compares the carrying amount of a group of cash-generating units, including the carrying amounts of the corporate assets or portion of corporate assets allocated to that group of cash-generating units, with the recoverable amount of the group of cash-generating units. In allocating the impairment loss, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill (if applicable) and then to the other assets on a pro-rata basis based on the carrying amount of each asset in the unit or the group of cash-generating units. The carrying amount of an asset is not reduced below the highest of its fair value less costs of disposal (if measurable), its value in use (if determinable) and zero. The amount of the impairment loss that would otherwise have been allocated to the asset is allocated pro-rata to the other assets of the unit or the group of cash-generating units. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

17. Impairment on property and equipment, right-of-use assets and intangible assets other than goodwill (see the accounting policy in respect of goodwill above) (continued)

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash generating unit or a group of cash-generating units) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or a cash-generating unit or a group of cash-generating units) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

18. Resale and repurchase agreements

18.1 Financial assets held under resale agreements

Financial assets that have been purchased under agreements with a commitment to resell at a specific future date are not recognised in the statements of financial position. The cost (including interests) of purchasing such assets is presented under “financial assets held under resale agreements” in the consolidated statements of financial position. The difference between the purchasing price and reselling price is recognised as interest income during the term of the agreement using the effective interest method.

18.2 Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements

Financial assets sold subject to agreements with a commitment to repurchase at a specific future date are not derecognised in the statements of financial position. The proceeds (including interests) from selling such assets are presented under “financial assets sold under repurchase agreements” in the consolidated statements of financial position. The difference between the selling price and repurchasing price is recognised as interest expense during the term of the agreement using the effective interest method.

19. Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Group will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the end of each reporting period, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. When a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows (where the effect of the time value of money is material).

When some or all of the economic benefits required to settle a provision are expected to be recovered from a third party, a receivable is recognised as an asset if it is virtually certain that reimbursement will be received and the amount of the receivable can be measured reliably.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

20. Non-current assets held for sale and discontinued operations

The Group classifies non-current assets and disposal groups as held for sale if their carrying amounts will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. Non-current assets and disposal groups held for sale are measured at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell. Costs to sell are the incremental costs directly attributable to the disposal of an asset (disposal group), excluding finance costs and income tax expense.

The criteria for held for sale classification is regarded as met only when the sale is highly probable and the asset or disposal group is available for immediate sale in its present condition. Actions required to complete the sale should indicate that it is unlikely that significant changes to the sale will be made or that the decision to sell will be withdrawn. Management must be committed to the plan to sell the asset and the sale is expected to be completed within one year from the date of the classification. The probability of shareholders' approval (if required in the jurisdiction) should be considered as part of the assessment of whether the distribution is highly probable.

Property, plant and equipment and intangible assets are not depreciated or amortized once held for sale.

Assets and liabilities held for sale are presented separately in the statement of financial position. A disposal group qualifies as discontinued operation if it is a component of an entity that either has been disposed of, or is held for sale, and:

- Represents a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations;
- Is part of a single coordinated plan to dispose of a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations; or
- Is a subsidiary acquired exclusively with a view to resale.

Discontinued operations are excluded from the results of continuing operations and are presented as a single amount as profit or loss after tax from discontinued operations in the statement of profit or loss.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

21. Revenue from contracts with customers

The Group recognises revenue when (or as) a performance obligation is satisfied, i.e. when “control” of the goods or services underlying the particular performance obligation is transferred to the customer.

A performance obligation represents a good or service (or a bundle of goods or services) that is distinct or a series of distinct goods or services that are substantially the same.

Control is transferred over time and revenue is recognised over time by reference to the progress towards complete satisfaction of the relevant performance obligation if one of the following criteria is met:

- the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits provided by the Group’s performance as the Group performs;
- the Group’s performance creates and enhances an asset that the customer controls as the Group performs; or
- the Group’s performance does not create an asset with an alternative use to the Group and the Group has an enforceable right to payment for performance completed to date.

Otherwise, revenue is recognised at a point in time when the customer obtains control of the distinct good or service.

A contract asset represents the Group’s right to consideration in exchange for goods or services that the Group has transferred to a customer that is not yet unconditional. It is assessed for impairment in accordance with IFRS 9. In contrast, a receivable represents the Group’s unconditional right to consideration, i.e. only the passage of time is required before payment of that consideration is due.

A contract liability represents the Group’s obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which the Group has received consideration (or an amount of consideration is due) from the customer.

A contract asset and a contract liability relating to the same contract are accounted for and presented on a net basis.

21.1 Over time revenue recognition: measurement of progress towards complete satisfaction of a performance obligation

Output method

The progress towards complete satisfaction of a performance obligation is measured based on output method, which is to recognise revenue on the basis of direct measurements of the value of the goods or services transferred to the customer to date relative to the remaining goods or services promised under the contract, that best depict the Group’s performance in transferring control of goods or services.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

21. Revenue from contracts with customers (continued)

21.2 Variable consideration

For contracts that contain variable consideration (including floating management fee), the Group estimates the amount of consideration to which it will be entitled using either (a) the expected value method or (b) the most likely amount, depending on which method better predicts the amount of consideration to which the Group will be entitled.

The estimated amount of variable consideration is included in the transaction price only to the extent that it is highly probable that such an inclusion will not result in a significant revenue reversal in the future when the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved.

At the end of each reporting period, the Group updates the estimated transaction price (including updating its assessment of whether an estimate of variable consideration is constrained) to represent faithfully the circumstances present at the end of the reporting period and the changes in circumstances during the reporting period.

21.3 Principal versus agent

When another party is involved in providing goods or services to a customer, the Group determines whether the nature of its promise is a performance obligation to provide the specified goods or services itself (i.e. the Group is a principal) or to arrange for those goods or services to be provided by the other party (i.e. the Group is an agent).

The Group is a principal if it controls the specified good or service before that good or service is transferred to a customer.

The Group is an agent if its performance obligation is to arrange for the provision of the specified good or service by another party. In this case, the Group does not control the specified good or service provided by another party before that good or service is transferred to the customer. When the Group acts as an agent, it recognises revenue in the amount of any fee or commission to which it expects to be entitled in exchange for arranging for the specified goods or services to be provided by the other party.

21.4 Incremental costs of obtaining a contract

Incremental costs of obtaining a contract are those costs that the Group incurs to obtain a contract with a customer that it would not have incurred if the contract had not been obtained.

The Group recognises such costs (commission expenses) as an asset if it expects to recover these costs. The asset so recognised is subsequently amortised to profit or loss on a systematic basis that is consistent with the transfer to the customer of the goods or services to which the assets relate.

The Group applies the practical expedient of expensing all incremental costs to obtain a contract if these costs would otherwise have been fully amortised to profit or loss within one year.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

21. Revenue from contracts with customers (continued)

21.5 Costs to fulfil a contract

The Group incurs costs to fulfil a contract in its construction contracts. The Group first assesses whether these costs qualify for recognition as an asset in terms of other relevant standards, failing which it recognises an asset for these costs only if they meet all of the following criteria:

- a) the costs relate directly to a contract or to an anticipated contract that the Group can specifically identify;
- b) the costs generate or enhance resources of the Group that will be used in satisfying (or in continuing to satisfy) performance obligations in the future; and
- c) the costs are expected to be recovered.

The asset so recognised is subsequently amortised to profit or loss on a systematic basis that is consistent with the transfer to the customer of the goods or services to which the assets relate. The asset is subject to impairment review.

22. Taxation

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from profit before tax because of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and items that are never taxable or deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax is recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and the corresponding tax base used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognised for all deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit. In addition, deferred tax liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition of goodwill.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries and associates, and interests in joint ventures, except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax assets arising from deductible temporary differences associated with such investments and interests are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that there will be sufficient taxable profits against which to utilise the benefits of the temporary differences and they are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

22. Taxation (continued)

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period in which the liability is settled or the asset is realised, based on tax rate (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of each reporting period.

The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

For the purposes of measuring deferred tax for leasing transactions in which the Group recognises the right-of-use assets and the related lease liabilities, the Group first determines whether the tax deductions are attributable to the right-of-use assets or the lease liabilities.

For leasing transactions in which the tax deductions are attributable to the lease liabilities, the Group applies IAS 12 *Income Taxes* requirements to the leasing transaction as a whole. Temporary differences relating to right-of-use assets and lease liabilities are assessed on a net basis. Excess of depreciation on right-of-use assets over the lease payments for the principal portion of lease liabilities resulting in net deductible temporary differences.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied to the same taxable entity by the same taxation authority.

Current and deferred tax are recognised in profit or loss, except when they relate to items that are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case, the current and deferred tax are also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively. Where current tax or deferred tax arises from the initial accounting for a business combination, the tax effect is included in the accounting for the business combination.

In assessing any uncertainty over income tax treatments, the Group considers whether it is probable that the relevant tax authority will accept the uncertain tax treatment used, or proposed to be used by individual group entities in their income tax filings. If it is probable, the current and deferred taxes are determined consistently with the tax treatment in the income tax filings. If it is not probable that the relevant taxation authority will accept an uncertain tax treatment, the effect of each uncertainty is reflected by using either the most likely amount or the expected value.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

23. Leases

23.1 Definition of a lease

A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. For contracts entered into or modified on or after the date of initial application, the Group assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease based on the definition under IFRS 16 at inception or modification date. Such contract will not be reassessed unless the terms and conditions of the contract are subsequently changed.

23.2 The Group as a lessee

Allocation of consideration to components of a contract

For a contract that contains a lease component and one or more additional lease or non-lease components, the Group allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of the relative stand-alone price of the lease component and the aggregate stand-alone price of the non-lease components.

As a practical expedient, leases with similar characteristics are accounted on a portfolio basis when the Group reasonably expects that the effects on the financial statements would not differ materially from individual leases within the portfolio.

Non-lease components are separated from lease component on the basis of their relative stand-alone prices.

Short-term leases

The Group applies the short-term lease recognition exemption to leases of buildings, machinery equipment, electronic equipment and motor vehicles that have a lease term of 12 months or less from the commencement date and do not contain a purchase option. Lease payments on short-term leases are recognised as expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Right-of-use assets

Except for short-term leases, the Group recognises right-of-use assets at the commencement date of the lease (i.e. the date the underlying asset is available for use). Except for those that are classified as investment properties and measured under fair value model, right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

23. Leases (continued)

23.2 *The Group as a lessee (continued)*

Right-of-use assets (continued)

The cost of right-of-use asset includes:

- the amount of the initial measurement of the lease liability;
- any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, less any lease incentives received;
- any initial direct costs incurred by the Group; and
- an estimate of costs to be incurred by the Group in dismantling and removing the underlying assets, restoring the site on which it is located or restoring the underlying asset to the condition required by the terms and conditions of the lease, unless those costs are incurred to produce inventories.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of its estimated useful life and the lease term.

The Group presents right-of-use assets that do not meet the definition of investment property or inventory as a separate line item on the consolidated statement of financial position. Right-of-use assets that meet the definition of investment property and inventory are presented within “investment properties” and “inventories” respectively.

Refundable rental deposits

Refundable rental deposits paid are accounted under IFRS 9 and initially measured at fair value. Adjustments to fair value at initial recognition are considered as additional lease payments and included in the cost of right-of-use assets.

Lease liabilities

At the commencement date of a lease, the Group recognises and measures the lease liability at the present value of lease payments that are unpaid at that date. In calculating the present value of lease payments, the Group uses the incremental borrowing rate at the lease commencement date if the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

23. Leases (continued)

23.2 *The Group as a lessee (continued)*

Lease liabilities (continued)

The lease payments include:

- fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments) less any lease incentives receivable;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate;
- amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees;
- the exercise price of a purchase option reasonably certain to be exercised by the Group; and
- payments of penalties for terminating a lease, if the lease term reflects the Group exercising the option to terminate.

After the commencement date, lease liabilities are adjusted by interest accretion and lease payments.

The Group remeasures lease liabilities (and makes a corresponding adjustment to the related right-of-use assets) whenever:

- the lease term has changed or there is a change in the assessment of exercise of a purchase option, in which case the related lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate at the date of reassessment.
- the lease payments change due to changes in market rental rates following a market rent review, in which cases the related lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using the initial discount rate.

Lease modifications

The Group accounts for a lease modification as a separate lease if:

- the modification increases the scope of the lease by adding the right to use one or more underlying assets; and
- the consideration for the leases increases by an amount commensurate with the stand-alone price for the increase in scope and any appropriate adjustments to that stand-alone price to reflect the circumstances of the particular contract.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

23. Leases (continued)

23.2 *The Group as a lessee (continued)*

Lease modifications (continued)

For a lease modification that is not accounted for as a separate lease, the Group remeasures the lease liability based on the lease term of the modified lease by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate at the effective date of the modification.

The Group accounts for the remeasurement of lease liabilities and lease incentives from lessor by making corresponding adjustments to the relevant right-of-use asset. When the modified contract contains a lease component and one or more additional lease or non-lease components, the Group allocates the consideration in the modified contract to each lease component on the basis of the relative stand-alone price of the lease component and the aggregate stand-alone price of the non-lease components.

23.3 *The Group as a lessor*

Classification and measurement of leases

Leases for which the Group is a lessor are classified as finance or operating leases. Whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an underlying asset to the lessee, the contract is classified as a finance lease. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

Amounts due from lessees under finance leases are recognised as receivables at commencement date at amounts equal to net investments in the leases, measured using the interest rate implicit in the respective leases. Initial direct costs (other than those incurred by manufacturer or dealer lessors) are included in the initial measurement of the net investments in the leases. Finance lease income is allocated to accounting periods so as to reflect a constant periodic rate of return on the Group's net investment outstanding in respect of the leases.

Rental income from operating leases is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset, and such costs are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Upon application of IFRS 16 on 1 January 2019, variable lease payments for operating leases that depend on an index or a rate are estimated and included in the total lease payments to be recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognised as income when they arise.

Allocation of consideration to components of a contract

When a contract includes both leases and non-lease, the Group applies IFRS 15 to allocate consideration in a contract to lease and non-lease components. Non-lease components are separated from lease component on the basis of their relative stand-alone selling prices.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

23. Leases (continued)

23.3 The Group as a lessor (continued)

Refundable rental deposits

Refundable rental deposits received are accounted under IFRS 9 and initially measured at fair value. Adjustments to fair value at initial recognition are considered as additional lease payments from lessees.

Sublease

When the Group is an intermediate lessor, it accounts for the head lease and the sublease as two separate contracts. The sublease is classified as a finance or operating lease by reference to the right-of-use asset arising from the head lease, not with reference to the underlying asset.

Lease modification

The Group accounts for a modification to an operating lease as a new lease from the effective date of the modification, considering any prepaid or accrued lease payments relating to the original lease as part of the lease payments for the new lease.

23.4 Sales and leaseback transactions

The Group applies the requirements of IFRS 15 to assess whether sale and leaseback transaction constitutes a sale by the Group.

The Group acts as a buyer-lessor

For a transfer of asset that does not satisfy the requirements of IFRS 15 to be accounted for as a sale of asset, the Group as a buyer-lessor does not recognise the transferred asset and recognises a debt instruments at amortised cost equal to the transfer proceeds within the scope IFRS 9.

24. Fiduciary activities

The Group's fiduciary activities mainly include trust and asset custody services.

The trust service of the Group refer to the business that the Group acts as trustee to undertake investment activity within the agreed period and scope on behalf of the third-party lenders who provide the fund.

The Group is responsible for the arrangement and collection of the entrusted loans and receives a commission for the services rendered. As the Group does not assume the risks and rewards of the entrusted loans and the funding for the corresponding entrusted funds, they are not recognised as assets and liabilities of the Group.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

25. Employee benefits

In the reporting period in which an employee has rendered services, the Group recognises the employee benefits expenses for those services in profit or loss.

Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits are recognised at the undiscounted amount of the benefits expected to be paid as and when employees rendered the services. All short-term employee benefits are recognised as an expense unless another IFRS requires or permits the inclusion of the benefit in the cost of an asset.

A liability is recognised for benefits accruing to employees (such as wages and salaries, annual leave and sick leave) after deducting any amount already paid.

Social welfare

Social welfare expenditure refers to payments for employees' social welfare system established by the PRC government, including social insurance, housing funds and other social welfare contributions. The Group contributes on a monthly basis to these funds based on certain percentage of the salaries of the employees and the contributions are recognised in profit or loss for the period in which they are incurred. The Group's liabilities in respect of these funds are limited to the contribution payable in the reporting period.

Annuity Scheme

The employees of the Company and some subsidiaries of the Group participate in annuity scheme set up by the Group (the "Annuity Scheme"). The Group made annuity contributions with reference to employees' salaries of last year, and the contributions are expensed in profit or loss when incurred. The Group has no further obligation if the Annuity Scheme does not have sufficient assets for payment of supplementary retirement benefits to employees.

Retirement benefit costs and termination benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit plans are recognised as an expense when employees have rendered service entitling them to the contributions.

For defined benefit retirement benefit plans, the cost of providing benefits is determined using the projected unit credit method, with actuarial valuations being carried out at the end of each annual reporting period. Remeasurement, comprising actuarial gains and losses, the effect of the changes to the asset ceiling (if applicable) and the return on plan assets (excluding interest), is reflected immediately in the consolidated statement of financial position with a charge or credit recognised in other comprehensive income in the period in which they occur. Remeasurement recognised in other comprehensive income is reflected immediately in retained earnings and will not be reclassified to profit or loss.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

25. Employee benefits (continued)

Retirement benefit costs and termination benefits (continued)

Past service cost is recognised in profit or loss in the period of a plan amendment or curtailment and a gain or loss on settlement is recognised when settlement occurs. When determining past service cost, or a gain or loss on settlement, an entity shall remeasure the net defined benefit liability or asset using the current fair value of plan assets and current actuarial assumptions, reflecting the benefits offered under the plan and the plan assets before and after the plan amendment, curtailment or settlement, without considering the effect of asset ceiling (i.e. the present value of any economic benefits available in the form of refunds from the plan or reductions in future contributions to the plan).

Net interest is calculated by applying the discount rate at the beginning of the period to the net defined benefit liability or asset. However, if the Group remeasures the net defined benefit liability or asset before plan amendment, curtailment or settlement, the Group determines net interest for the remainder of the annual reporting period after the plan amendment, curtailment or settlement using the benefits offered under the plan and the plan assets after the plan amendment, curtailment or settlement and the discount rate used to remeasure such net defined benefit liability or asset, taking into account any changes in the net defined benefit liability or asset during the period resulting from contributions or benefit payments.

Defined benefit costs are categorised as follows:

- service costs (including past service costs, gains and losses on curtailment and settlements);
- interest expenses; and
- remeasurement.

The Group presents the first two components of its defined benefit costs in profit or loss in “Operating expenses”. Curtailment gains and losses are accounted for as past service costs.

The retirement benefit obligation recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position represents the actual deficits in the Group’s defined benefit plan.

A liability for a termination benefit is recognised at the earlier of when the Group can no longer withdraw the offer of the termination benefit and when the entity recognises any related restructuring costs.

III. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

26. Government grants

Government grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the Group will comply with the conditions attaching to them and that the grants will be received.

Government grants are recognised in profit or loss on a systematic basis over the periods in which the Group recognises as expenses the related costs for which the grants are intended to compensate. Specifically, government grants whose primary condition is that the Group should purchase, construct or otherwise acquire non-current assets are recognised as deferred income in the consolidated statement of financial position and transferred to profit or loss on a systematic and rational basis over the useful lives of the related assets.

Government grants that are receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the Group with no future related costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they become receivable.

IV. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, which are described in Note III, the directors of the Company are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

1. Critical judgements in applying accounting policies

The following are the critical judgements, apart from those involving estimations (see below), that the directors of the Company have made in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements.

IV. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (continued)

1. Critical judgements in applying accounting policies (continued)

1.1 Classification of financial assets

The Group's critical judgements on determining the classification of financial assets include business model and analysis of contractual cash flow characteristics. The Group's assessment of the business model is performed on a financial assets portfolio basis, taking into consideration of how to generate cash flows of the assets in the past, how the performance of the financial assets are evaluated and reported to the Group's key management personnel, how the risks are evaluated and managed, and how managers of the business are compensated. The Group's critical judgements on whether the cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding include whether principal amount may change over the life of the financial assets (for example, if there are repayments of principal) and whether interest only consists of consideration for the time value of money, for the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding during a particular period of time and for other basic lending risks and costs, as well as a profit margin.

1.2 Impairment of financial assets

Significant increase of credit risk and determination of credit impairment: As explained in Note III.9, ECL are measured as an allowance equal to 12-month ECL for stage 1 assets, or lifetime ECL assets for stage 2 or stage 3 assets. An asset moves to stage 2 when its credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition; and it comes to stage 3 when it is credit impaired (other than purchased or original credit-impaired assets). IFRS 9 does not define what constitutes a significant increase in credit risk or credit impairment. In assessing whether the credit risk of an asset has significantly increased or an asset became credit impaired, the Group takes into account qualitative and quantitative reasonable and supportable forward looking information. Refer to Note III.9.2 and Note V.62.1 for more details.

Establishing groups of assets with similar credit risk characteristics: When ECLs are measured on a collective basis, the financial instruments are grouped on the basis of shared risk characteristics. Refer to Note V.62.1 for details of the characteristics considered in this judgement. The Group monitors the appropriateness of the credit risk characteristics on an ongoing basis to assess whether they continue to be similar. This is required in order to ensure that should credit risk characteristics change there is appropriate re-segmentation of the assets. This may result in new portfolios being created or assets moving to an existing portfolio that better reflects the similar credit risk characteristics of that group of assets. Re-segmentation of portfolios and movement between portfolios is more common when there is a significant increase in credit risk (or when that significant increase reverses) and so assets move from 12-month to lifetime ECLs, or vice versa, but it can also occur within portfolios that continue to be measured on the same basis of 12-month or lifetime ECLs but the amount of ECL changes because the credit risk of the portfolios differ.

IV. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (continued)

1. Critical judgements in applying accounting policies (continued)

1.2 Impairment of financial assets (continued)

The Group uses various models and assumptions in measuring fair value of financial assets as well as in estimating ECL. Judgement is applied in identifying the most appropriate model for each type of asset, as well as for determining the assumptions used in these models, including assumptions that relate to key drivers of credit risk. The credit impairment on a financial asset may be caused by the combined effect of multiple events and may not be necessarily due to a single event. For credit-impaired financial assets, the Group evaluate the future cash flow (including the recoverable value of the collateral held), mainly based on individual financial instruments, in different circumstances and accrue the differences between the present value and the book value determined at the original effective interest rate as impairment loss or gain in profit or loss. See Note V.62.1 for more details on ECL.

1.3 Transfer of financial assets

Whether the derecognition should be applied to part of a financial asset or the financial asset in its entirety, as well as whether, and to what extent, derecognition is appropriate requires significant judgement. In making this judgement, the Group evaluates whether it has transferred the right to collect the contractual cash flows, retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the transferred assets, or retained control of the transferred assets.

1.4 Control on structured entities

The Group's management needs to assess whether the Group has all the following: (a) power over the structured entity, (b) exposure to significant variable returns from its involvement with the structured entity, and (c) the ability to use its power over the structured entity to affect its returns. If such power, exposure and ability exist, the Group has to consolidate such structured entity. When the Group served as manager or trustee of the structured entity, the Group uses the following judgements to determine whether control exists in a structured entity: the scope of decision-making as a manager or trustee, the power held by other parties, the remuneration and the exposure to variability of returns. The Group reassesses whether or not it controls a structured entity if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control listed in Note III.3. The judgements the Group used in determining whether or not it has control over the structured entities are detailed in Note V.32.

1.5 Judgement on joint control

The joint control over the investees is determined by the Group's assessment of the existence of sharing of control. The assessment involves judgement on whether decisions about the relevant activities require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

IV. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (continued)

1. Critical judgements in applying accounting policies (continued)

1.6 Judgement on significant influence

The significant influence over the investees is determined by the Group's assessment of its power to participate in the investees' financial and operating policy decisions. The assessment involves significant judgement based on factors such as the investees' policy-making process, composition of board of directors or other governing body, change in ownership and existence of contractual arrangements.

2. Key sources of estimation uncertainty

The following are key estimations that the directors have used in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in financial statements:

2.1 Impairment of financial assets

Establishing the number and relative weightings of forward-looking scenarios for each type of product/market and determining the forward looking information relevant to each scenario: When measuring ECL the Group uses reasonable and supportable forward looking information, which is based on assumptions for the future movement of different economic drivers and how these drivers will affect each other. More details of forward looking information are set out in Note V.62.1.(iii).

Probability of default (the "PD"): PD constitutes a key input in measuring ECL. PD is an estimate of the likelihood of default over a given time horizon, the calculation of which includes historical data, assumptions and expectations of future conditions.

Loss Given Default (the "LGD"): LGD is an estimate of the loss arising on default. It is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due and those that the lender would expect to receive, taking into account cash flows from collateral and integral credit enhancements. More details of PD and LGD are set out in Note V.62.1.(iv).

Exposure At Default (the "EAD"): EAD is the amount that the Group should be reimbursed at the time of the default in the next 12 months or throughout the entire remaining lifetime.

2.2 Fair value of financial instruments

The Group uses valuation technique for financial instruments which are not quoted in an active market. Valuation techniques include the use of discounted cash flows analysis, option pricing models or other valuation methods as appropriate. To the extent practical, models use only observable data. However, areas such as credit risk of the Group and counterparties, volatilities and correlations require management to make estimates. Changes in assumptions about these factors could affect the estimated fair value of financial instruments. As at 31 December 2021, the fair value of Level 3 financial assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis amounted to RMB307,897 million (31 December 2020: RMB334,484 million). Details of Level 3 fair value measurements are set out in note V.63.1.

IV. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (continued)

2. Key sources of estimation uncertainty (continued)

2.3 *Income taxes*

Determining income tax provisions involves judgement on the future tax treatment of certain transactions. The Group carefully evaluates the tax implications of transactions and tax provisions are set up accordingly. The tax treatment of such transactions is reconsidered periodically to take into account all changes in tax legislation. Deferred tax assets are recognised for tax losses not yet used and temporary deductible differences. As those deferred tax assets can only be recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the unused tax credits can be utilised, management's judgement is required to assess the probability of future taxable profits.

2.4 *Recognition and allocation of properties under development*

The construction cost is accumulated in properties under development during the construction period and recognised as purchases and changes in inventories in the statement of profit or loss when they are sold. The construction cost is estimated by the management of the Group in accordance with budget and the progress of development. The cost directly related to development in the current period is accumulated in properties under development and the common cost among construction periods is allocated among each period on the basis of saleable area.

2.5 *Impairment of goodwill*

Goodwill is tested for impairment annually or more frequently. This requires an estimate of the present value of future cash flows for the asset group or portfolio of assets allocated to goodwill. When estimating the present value of future cash flows, the Group needs to anticipate future cash flows from the asset group or portfolio of assets, and select the appropriate discount rate.

2.6 *Determining the lease term of contracts with renewal and termination options*

The Group determines the lease term as the non-cancellable term of the lease, together with any periods covered by an option to extend the lease if it is reasonably certain to be exercised, or any periods covered by an option to terminate the lease, if it is reasonably certain not to be exercised. By considering all relevant factors that create an economic incentive, the Group applies judgement in evaluating whether it is reasonably certain whether or not to exercise the option to renew or terminate the lease. After the commencement date, the Group reassesses the lease term if there is a significant event or change in circumstances that is within its control and affects its ability to exercise the option to renew or to terminate.

2.7 *Leases — Estimating the incremental borrowing rate*

The Group uses its incremental borrowing rate (IBR) to measure lease liabilities. The IBR is the rate of interest that the Group would have to pay to borrow over a similar term, and with a similar security, the funds necessary to obtain an asset of a similar value to the right-of-use asset in a similar economic environment. The Group estimates the IBR using observable inputs when available and is required to make certain entity-specific estimates to reflect the terms and conditions of the lease.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. Segment information

Information relating to business lines is reported to the Board of Directors of the Company and its relevant management committees, being the chief operating decision makers, for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance focuses on types of goods or services delivered or provided.

Profit before tax is the measure of segment profit or loss reviewed by the chief operating decision makers.

The Group's reportable and operating segments are as follows:

Distressed asset management operations

The distressed asset management segment comprises relevant business operated by the Company and certain of its subsidiaries, including distressed asset management, debt equity swap asset management, distressed asset management business conducted by subsidiaries, distressed asset-based special situations investment and distressed asset-based property development.

Financial services operations

The Group's financial services segment comprises relevant business of the Group, including the provision of financial services in sectors such as banking, securities and futures, finance lease. These operations are mainly carried out by the subsidiaries of the Company.

Asset management and investment operations

The asset management and investment segment comprises relevant business operated by the Company and certain of its subsidiaries, mainly including trust, private equity fund, financial investment, international business and other business.

No operating segments identified by the chief operating decision makers have been aggregated in arriving at the reportable segments of the Group.

Measurement of segment assets and liabilities and segment income and results is based on the Group's accounting policies. Segment information is prepared in conformity with the accounting policies adopted for preparing and presenting the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

Revenue and assets of the Group are generated primarily from operating units located in Mainland China and Hong Kong. There is no significant customer concentration of the Group's business. There are no customers from which the revenue account for more than 10% of the Group's revenue.

Segment income, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

1. Segment information (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2021	Distressed asset management	Financial services	Asset management and investment	Elimination	Consolidated
Income from distressed debt assets	28,077,208	—	—	—	28,077,208
Fair value changes on distressed debt assets	6,464,546	—	—	—	6,464,546
Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities	7,915,107	817,190	4,444,004	—	13,176,301
Interest income	4,690,786	25,954,342	8,426,622	(4,048,098)	35,023,652
Finance lease income	—	1,980,232	60,673	—	2,040,905
Gains/(losses) from derecognition of financial assets measured at amortised cost	870,615	(132,294)	357,379	—	1,095,700
Gains/(losses) from derecognition of debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	373,689	83,656	(122,759)	—	334,586
Commission and fee income	296,061	1,480,712	321,478	(39,051)	2,059,200
Net (losses)/gains on disposals or deemed disposals of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures	(82,609)	—	654,290	—	571,681
Dividend income	1,151,252	23,100	281,247	(368,432)	1,087,167
Other income and other net gains or losses	1,990,932	1,231,150	(44,405)	(41,737)	3,135,940
Total	51,747,587	31,438,088	14,378,529	(4,497,318)	93,066,886
Interest expenses	(29,550,124)	(14,642,317)	(12,639,470)	3,368,355	(53,463,556)
Commission and fee expenses	(106,978)	(359,475)	(120,238)	18,839	(567,852)
Operating expenses	(5,201,195)	(4,994,511)	(1,795,919)	5,263	(11,986,362)
Impairment losses under expected credit loss model	(7,853,615)	(4,617,391)	(4,206,946)	—	(16,677,952)
Impairment losses on other assets	(46,725)	(513,464)	(377,729)	—	(937,918)
Total	(42,758,637)	(25,127,158)	(19,140,302)	3,392,457	(83,633,640)
Change in net assets attributable to other holders of consolidated structured entities	(1,854,159)	(270,112)	(545,142)	—	(2,669,413)
Share of results of associates and joint ventures	71,519	—	63,106	—	134,625
Profit/(loss) before tax from continuing operations	7,206,310	6,040,818	(5,243,809)	(1,104,861)	6,898,458
Income tax expense					(5,151,720)
Profit for the year from continuing operations					1,746,738
Profit after tax for the year from a discontinued operation					239,328
Capital expenditure	66,995	787,413	78,580	—	932,988
Depreciation and amortisation	581,313	1,153,017	287,266	(28,344)	1,993,252

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

1. Segment information (continued)

As at 31 December 2021	Distressed asset management	Financial services	Asset management and investment	Elimination	Consolidated
Segment assets	802,135,841	588,533,080	254,266,963	(99,428,190)	1,545,507,694
Including: Interests in associates and joint ventures	2,471,696	—	8,043,149	—	10,514,845
Assets held for sale	266,590	7,035,009	—	—	7,301,599
Deferred tax assets					15,612,489
Total assets					1,568,421,782
Segment liabilities	712,139,123	534,850,597	312,475,114	(98,497,897)	1,460,966,937
Liabilities directly associated with the assets held for sale	1,591	1,738,666	—	—	1,740,257
Deferred tax liabilities					341,556
Tax payable					1,388,605
Total liabilities					1,464,437,355

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

1. Segment information (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2020	Distressed asset management	Financial services	Asset management and investment	Elimination	Consolidated
Income from distressed debt assets	34,121,397	—	—	—	34,121,397
Fair value changes on distressed debt assets	4,317,012	—	—	—	4,317,012
Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities	9,917,837	360,592	(22,798,423)	—	(12,519,994)
Interest income	7,546,818	25,542,605	7,417,181	(4,017,366)	36,489,238
Finance lease income	—	3,475,699	60,163	—	3,535,862
Gains from derecognition of financial assets measured at amortised cost	29,021	154,811	682,540	—	866,372
Gains/(losses) from derecognition of debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	59,583	173,767	(78,581)	—	154,769
Commission and fee income	209,309	1,443,287	579,679	(118,468)	2,113,807
Net gains on disposals or deemed disposals of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures	87,213	—	681,868	—	769,081
Dividend income	1,004,524	10,915	1,580,176	(1,402,487)	1,193,128
Other income and other net gains or losses	3,077,083	1,024,074	375,423	(112,201)	4,364,379
Total	60,369,797	32,185,750	(11,499,974)	(5,650,522)	75,405,051
Interest expenses	(31,503,806)	(14,619,038)	(11,973,692)	3,409,081	(54,687,455)
Commission and fee expenses	(283,529)	(1,806,636)	(78,858)	83,446	(2,085,577)
Operating expenses	(6,492,407)	(4,659,992)	(1,643,463)	4,460	(12,791,402)
Impairment losses under expected credit loss model	(35,930,678)	(10,962,501)	(50,405,191)	—	(97,298,370)
Impairment losses on other assets	(3,794,915)	(371,793)	(5,909,065)	—	(10,075,773)
Total	(78,005,335)	(32,419,960)	(70,010,269)	3,496,987	(176,938,577)
Change in net assets attributable to other holders of consolidated structured entities	(1,907,975)	(2,206,375)	3,613,835	—	(500,515)
Share of results of associates and joint ventures	(840,304)	—	(6,142)	—	(846,446)
Loss before tax from continuing operations	(20,383,817)	(2,440,585)	(77,902,550)	(2,153,535)	(102,880,487)
Income tax expense					(3,544,673)
Loss for the year from continuing operations					(106,425,160)
Profit after tax for the year from a discontinued operation					150,896
Capital expenditure	85,868	1,327,075	35,751	—	1,448,694
Depreciation and amortisation	543,958	1,205,557	356,938	(12,759)	2,093,694

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

1. Segment information (continued)

As at 31 December 2020	Distressed asset management	Financial services	Asset management and investment	Elimination	Consolidated
Segment assets	837,605,232	611,064,450	276,060,848	(97,687,344)	1,627,043,186
Including: Interests in associates and joint ventures	1,846,871	—	12,511,082	—	14,357,953
Deferred tax assets					14,423,850
Total assets					1,641,467,036
Segment liabilities	807,801,030	561,312,933	300,689,134	(94,285,593)	1,575,517,504
Deferred tax liabilities					408,771
Tax payable					1,283,897
Total liabilities					1,577,210,172

2. Income from distressed debt assets

The amount represents interest income arising from distressed debt assets classified as debt instruments at FVOCI and debt instruments at amortised cost, which include loans acquired from financial institutions and other debt assets acquired from non-financial institutions (see Notes V.27 and V.30).

3. Fair value changes on distressed debt assets

The amount represents fair value changes on distressed debt assets measured at FVTPL during the year (see Note V.22).

The fair value changes comprise both realised gains or losses from disposal of distressed debt assets measured at FVTPL and unrealised fair value changes on such assets. Any interest income arising from such assets is also included in fair value changes.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

4. Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Listed and unlisted shares and funds	9,478,921	(4,271,238)
Trust products	2,110,331	(4,799,848)
Wealth management products	466,958	703,223
Debt instruments	332,069	(3,427,969)
Derivatives and structured products	212,312	(1,690,407)
Other investments and financial liabilities	575,710	966,245
Total	13,176,301	(12,519,994)

The fair value changes comprise both realised gains or losses from disposal/settlement of other financial assets/liabilities measured at FVTPL and unrealised fair value changes on such assets/liabilities. Any interest income arising from such assets is also included in fair value changes.

5. Interest income

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Debt instruments at amortised cost other than distressed debt assets	12,116,749	13,132,445
Debt instruments at FVOCI other than distressed debt assets	1,495,741	1,891,819
Loans and advances to customers		
Corporate loans and advances and discounted bills	8,105,339	8,764,302
Personal loans and advances	5,332,258	5,289,025
Loans to margin clients	255,046	338,921
Receivables arising from sales and leaseback arrangements	4,414,321	3,500,620
Deposits with financial institutions	2,238,697	2,288,308
Placements with financial institutions	437,872	388,446
Financial assets held under resale agreements	319,346	571,758
Balances with central bank	308,283	323,594
Total	35,023,652	36,489,238

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

6. Commission and fee income

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Securities and futures brokerage business	951,432	897,222
Banking business	668,498	624,096
Asset management business	248,540	241,008
Trust business	165,397	338,286
Fund management business	25,333	13,195
Total	<u>2,059,200</u>	<u>2,113,807</u>

(1) Disaggregation of revenue

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
By geographical markets		
Mainland China	2,029,424	2,079,744
Hong Kong	29,776	34,063
Total	<u>2,059,200</u>	<u>2,113,807</u>

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Timing of revenue recognition		
A point in time	1,619,930	1,521,318
Over time	439,270	592,489
Total	<u>2,059,200</u>	<u>2,113,807</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

6. Commission and fee income (continued)

(2) Performance obligations for contracts with customers

(a) Asset management business, including trust business and fund management business

The Group acts as trustee, manager or general partner to provide asset management services to special purpose entities including trusts, asset management plans and private equity funds.

The Group is titled fixed and variable considerations for its provision of asset management services. The Group deducts and collects fixed considerations from funds under management regularly over the service period and recognised the revenue over time. For certain asset management service contracts, the Group is entitled additional revenue according to investment performance, and the relevant revenue is recognised when it is highly probable that a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur when the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved.

(b) Securities and futures business

Apart from asset management services, the Group also provides securities and futures transaction dealing, and securities underwriting services.

The Group's securities and futures transaction dealing services represent clients to perform clearing and settlements of securities, futures and funds according to clients' instructions. The Group collects transaction price as a certain percentage of transaction prices when the instructed transaction is cleared. The Group recognises revenue at a point when the services are completed.

The Group provides underwriting services in respect of equity or debt instruments issued by customers. Transaction price is collected as a certain percentage of funds raised when the securities are successfully issued. The relevant revenue is recognised at one point when the services are completed. Progress payments received by the Group before the issue of the securities are recognised as contract liabilities.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

6. Commission and fee income (continued)

(2) Performance obligations for contracts with customers (continued)

(c) Banking business

Banking business of the Group mainly includes financial product distribution, fiduciary, settlement and clearing services.

The Group distributes financial products for other financial institutions. Performance obligation is satisfied when customers enter into contracts with the relevant financial institutions. The Group retains commissions from these financial institutions usually on monthly or quarterly basis.

The Group provides fiduciary, settlement and clearing services to its customers and performance obligations are satisfied at a point when the services are completed. The Group retains relevant fees from its customers on transaction basis.

(3) Transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligation for contracts with customers

The transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligations (unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied) as at 31 December 2021 and 2020, and the expected timing of recognising revenue are as follows:

	Year ended 31 December 2021	
	Asset management business	Trust business
Within one year	65	60,950
More than one year but not more than two years	44	32,797
More than two years	—	126,750
Total	109	220,497

	Year ended 31 December 2020	
	Asset management business	Trust business
Within one year	397	105,950
More than one year but not more than two years	65	46,786
More than two years	—	165,678
Total	462	318,414

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

6. Commission and fee income (continued)

(3) Transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligation for contracts with customers (continued)

These amounts disclosed above do not include transaction price allocated to performance obligations which is part of a contract that has an original expected duration of one year or less. It also does not include any estimates in variable considerations that the Group will recognise in the future.

(4) Relationship between disaggregation of revenue and revenue information disclosed in segment

The Group provides asset management services (excluding trust and fund management) in “Distressed asset management” and “Asset management and investment” segments. The revenue from trust is recorded in “Asset management and investment” segment. For securities and futures brokerage, banking and fund management, they are recorded in “Financial services” segment as disclosed in Note V.1.

7. Dividend income

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Financial assets at FVTPL	923,445	1,032,840
Equity instruments at FVOCI	163,722	160,288
Total	1,087,167	1,193,128

8. Other income and other net gains or losses

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Income arising from operating leases	1,076,700	1,081,143
Revenue from properties development ⁽¹⁾	871,145	2,396,641
Revenue from construction services	440,374	—
Revenue from futures and spot trading	310,204	103,771
Government grants ⁽²⁾	183,228	171,365
Revenue from hotel operation	132,810	76,156
Net gains on assets pending for disposal	49,073	7,038
Penalty income	5,303	2,209
Net (losses)/gains on exchange differences	(655,419)	15,884
Others	722,522	510,172
Total	3,135,940	4,364,379

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

8. Other income and other net gains or losses (continued)

(1) Revenue from properties development

The Group entered into contracts with customers to sell properties. According to contract terms, in conjunction with external legal factors, the Group is of the view that it does not have enforceable right to payment from customers for performance completed to date. Therefore, the relevant revenue is recognised at the point when properties are transferred.

Customers have to pay first down payments to the Group according to a certain percentage of transaction prices when they entered into sales and purchases agreements. In addition, the Group collects partial transaction prices in advance from customers for certain properties under progress sold. The Group recognises cumulative amounts received for purchases of properties as contract liabilities initially, and recognises them as revenue from contract liabilities, when customers obtain control over these properties.

Revenue from properties development is recorded in “Distressed asset management” segment and “Asset management and investment” segment as disclosed in Note V.1.

(2) Government grants are subsidies granted by local governments for the Group’s establishment of operations or subsidiaries in certain cities.

9. Interest expenses

Interest expenses mainly arise from the distressed asset management, banking and financial leasing business of the Group.

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Borrowings	(33,779,050)	(33,484,220)
Bonds and notes issued	(11,676,303)	(13,959,360)
Due to customers	(5,938,600)	(5,957,579)
Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements	(764,621)	(458,712)
Borrowings from central bank	(652,939)	(299,917)
Deposits from financial institutions	(295,582)	(81,426)
Lease liabilities	(131,340)	(63,512)
Placements from financial institutions	(63,670)	(34,568)
Other liabilities	(161,451)	(348,161)
Total	<u>(53,463,556)</u>	<u>(54,687,455)</u>

10. Commission and fee expenses

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Securities and futures brokerage business	(209,628)	(322,909)
Asset management business	(188,126)	(255,701)
Banking business	(162,922)	(1,504,802)
Fund management and other business	(7,176)	(2,165)
Total	<u>(567,852)</u>	<u>(2,085,577)</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

11. Operating expenses

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Employee benefits ⁽¹⁾	(4,753,716)	(4,679,589)
Tax and surcharges	(632,826)	(646,497)
Others	(6,599,820)	(7,465,316)
Including:		
Depreciation of property and equipment	(867,568)	(966,378)
Cost of properties development and sales	(781,339)	(1,508,983)
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	(718,349)	(697,183)
Amortisation	(248,244)	(234,495)
Depreciation of investment properties	(145,434)	(179,709)
Management fee for leases	(134,123)	(131,499)
Rental for short-term leases	(282,066)	(239,537)
Auditors' remuneration	(34,480)	(34,126)
Total	<u>(11,986,362)</u>	<u>(12,791,402)</u>

(1) Employee benefits

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Wages or salaries, bonuses, allowances and subsidies	(2,839,500)	(3,108,904)
Defined contribution plans ⁽ⁱ⁾	(773,720)	(429,980)
Staff welfare	(321,293)	(316,269)
Housing funds	(272,840)	(268,074)
Social insurance	(199,671)	(164,040)
Labour union and staff education expenses	(125,773)	(131,666)
Early retirement benefits	(21,575)	(53,624)
Others	(199,344)	(207,032)
Total	<u>(4,753,716)</u>	<u>(4,679,589)</u>

(i) Defined contribution plans include pension scheme, unemployment insurance and corporate annuity scheme set up by the Company and certain other group entities.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

12. Impairment losses under expected credit loss model

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Debt instruments at amortised cost (Note V.62.1)	(10,410,867)	(74,471,547)
Loans and advances to customers (Note V.62.1)	(4,690,895)	(3,983,963)
Debt instruments at FVOCI (Note V.62.1)	(1,360,074)	(7,094,140)
Financial lease receivables (Note V.62.1)	(705,524)	(689,245)
Financial assets held under resale agreements	859,305	(4,927,121)
Credit enhancements and commitments (Note V.50)	929,748	(3,788,092)
Others	(1,299,645)	(2,344,262)
Total	<u>(16,677,952)</u>	<u>(97,298,370)</u>

13. Impairment losses on other assets

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Foreclosed assets	(434,847)	(357,661)
Interests in associates and joint ventures (Note V.31)	(364,257)	(5,781,801)
Property and equipment (Note V.35)	(86,020)	(145,907)
Inventories (Note V.29)	—	(1,585,686)
Investment properties (Note V.34)	—	(1,377,925)
Goodwill (Note V.38)	—	(546,871)
Right-of-use assets (Note V.36)	—	(252,859)
Others	(52,794)	(27,063)
Total	<u>(937,918)</u>	<u>(10,075,773)</u>

14. Income tax expense

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Current income tax		
PRC enterprise income tax	(6,014,145)	(5,313,606)
PRC land appreciation tax (“LAT”)	(57,815)	(107,481)
Hong Kong and Macau profits tax	(29,246)	(77,594)
(Under-provision)/over-provision in prior years	(64,558)	73,319
Deferred income tax (Note V.37)	1,014,044	1,880,689
Total	<u>(5,151,720)</u>	<u>(3,544,673)</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

14. Income tax expense (continued)

The statutory income tax rate applicable to PRC enterprises was 25% for the year of 2021 (2020: 25%).

The preferential income tax rate applicable to PRC enterprises within the scope of the western development area was 15% for the year of 2021 (2020: 15%).

The preferential income tax rate applicable to PRC high-tech enterprises was 15% for the year of 2021 (2020: 15%).

Macau profits tax rate applicable to enterprises within Macau was 12% for the year of 2021 (2020: 12%).

On 21 March 2018, *The Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No. 7) Bill 2017* which introduces the two-tiered profits tax rates regime was passed by the Hong Kong Legislative Council.

The directors of the Company considered the amount involved upon implementation of the two-tiered profits tax rates regime as insignificant to the consolidated financial statements.

Reconciliation of consolidated profit/(loss) before tax to income tax expense is as follows:

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Profit/(Loss) before tax from continuing operations	6,898,458	(102,880,487)
Profit before tax from a discontinued operation	236,316	145,915
Profit/(Loss) before tax	7,134,774	(102,734,572)
Income tax calculated at the tax rate of 25%	(1,783,694)	25,683,643
Tax effect of a discontinued operation	7,558	—
LAT	(57,815)	(107,481)
Tax effect of LAT	14,454	26,870
Tax effect of income not taxable for tax purpose	355,272	425,781
Tax effect of expenses not deductible for tax purpose	(1,143,082)	(1,033,750)
Tax effect of different tax rate of subsidiaries	(254,466)	(385,792)
(Under-provisions)/over-provisions in prior years	(64,663)	73,319
Effect of unused tax losses and deductible temporary differences not recognised as deferred tax assets	(2,759,916)	(28,263,992)
Utilisation of tax losses and deductible temporary differences previously not recognised	704,159	41,710
Others	(166,515)	—
Income tax expense	(5,148,708)	(3,539,692)
Income tax expense attributable to continuing operations	(5,151,720)	(3,544,673)
Income tax credit attributable to a discontinued operation	3,012	4,981

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

15. Earnings/(loss) per share

The calculation of earnings/(loss) per share attributable to equity shareholders of the Company is as follows:

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Earnings/(loss):		
Profit/(loss) attributable to equity holders of the Company	378,475	(102,902,991)
Continuing operations	210,946	(103,008,618)
Discontinued operation	167,529	105,627
Number of shares:		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic earnings per share (in thousands)	39,295,833	39,070,208
Basic earnings/(loss) per share (RMB Yuan)	0.010	(2.634)
Diluted earnings/(loss) per share (RMB Yuan)	0.010	(2.634)
Basic earnings/(loss) per share from continuing operations (RMB Yuan)	0.005	(2.637)
Diluted earnings/(loss) per share from continuing operations (RMB Yuan)	0.005	(2.637)

16. Dividends

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Dividends for ordinary shareholders of the Company recognised as distribution during the year:		
Final dividend for 2020	—	—
Final dividend for 2019	—	429,772

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

17. Emoluments of directors and supervisors

	Year ended 31 December 2021				
	Fees	Paid remuneration and other benefits	Performance related bonuses	Employer's contribution to pension scheme	Total before tax
Executive directors					
WANG Zhanfeng ⁽¹⁾	—	471	248	48	767
LIANG Qiang ⁽²⁾	—	274	145	28	447
WANG Wenjie ⁽³⁾	—	438	223	44	705
Non-executive directors					
ZHAO Jiangping ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁸⁾	—	—	—	—	—
ZHENG Jiangping ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁹⁾	—	—	—	—	—
XU Nuo ⁽⁵⁾⁽¹⁰⁾	—	—	—	—	—
ZHOU Langlang ⁽⁵⁾	—	—	—	—	—
Independent non-executive directors					
TSE Hau Yin	250	—	—	—	250
SHAO Jingchun	250	—	—	—	250
ZHU Ning	250	—	—	—	250
CHEN Yuanling ⁽¹²⁾	250	—	—	—	250
Supervisors					
HU Jianzhong ⁽¹³⁾	—	471	248	45	764
CHENG Fengchao ⁽¹⁶⁾	200	—	—	—	200
HAN Xiangrong ⁽¹⁷⁾	200	—	—	—	200
ZHENG Shengqin ⁽¹⁸⁾	8	—	—	—	8
SUN Hongbo ⁽²⁰⁾	20	—	—	—	20
GUO Jinghua ⁽²¹⁾	13	—	—	—	13
Total	1,441	1,654	864	165	4,124

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

17. Emoluments of directors and supervisors (continued)

	Year ended 31 December 2020				
	Fees	Paid remuneration and other benefits	Performance related bonuses	Employer's contribution to pension scheme	Total before tax
Executive directors					
WANG Zhanfeng ⁽¹⁾	—	455	248	28	731
LI Xin ⁽⁴⁾	—	415	227	25	667
WANG Wenjie ⁽³⁾	—	422	223	29	674
Non-executive directors					
WANG Cong ⁽⁶⁾	—	—	—	—	—
DAI Lijia ⁽⁷⁾	—	—	—	—	—
ZHAO Jiangping ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁸⁾	—	—	—	—	—
ZHENG Jiangping ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁹⁾	—	—	—	—	—
XU Nuo ⁽⁵⁾⁽¹⁰⁾	—	—	—	—	—
ZHOU Langlang ⁽⁵⁾	—	—	—	—	—
Independent non-executive directors					
TSE Hau Yin	250	—	—	—	250
LIU Junmin ⁽¹¹⁾	208	—	—	—	208
SHAO Jingchun	250	—	—	—	250
ZHU Ning	250	—	—	—	250
CHEN Yuanling ⁽¹²⁾	63	—	—	—	63
Supervisors					
HU Jianzhong ⁽¹³⁾	—	455	248	29	732
DONG Juan ⁽¹⁴⁾	—	—	—	—	—
XU Li ⁽¹⁵⁾	100	—	—	—	100
CHENG Fengchao ⁽¹⁶⁾	100	—	—	—	100
HAN Xiangrong ⁽¹⁷⁾	100	—	—	—	100
ZHENG Shengqin ⁽¹⁸⁾	20	—	—	—	20
CHEN Jin ⁽¹⁹⁾	10	—	—	—	10
SUN Hongbo ⁽²⁰⁾	10	—	—	—	10
Total	1,361	1,747	946	111	4,165

(1) WANG Zhanfeng was appointed as Executive Director and Chairman in September 2018.

(2) LIANG Qiang was appointed as Executive Director and President in August 2021.

(3) WANG Wenjie was appointed as Executive Director and Vice President in December 2020.

(4) LI Xin resigned in November 2020.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

17. Emoluments of directors and supervisors (continued)

- (5) The above-mentioned non-executive directors have not received any remuneration from the Group in this year.
- (6) WANG Cong resigned in February 2020.
- (7) DAI Lijia resigned in February 2020.
- (8) ZHAO Jiangping was appointed as a non-executive director in June 2020.
- (9) ZHENG Jiangping was appointed as a non-executive director in June 2020.
- (10) XU Nuo was appointed as a non-executive director in December 2020 and resigned in March 2022.
- (11) LIU Junmin resigned in October 2020.
- (12) CHEN Yuanling was appointed as an independent non-executive director in October 2020.
- (13) HU Jianzhong was appointed as Chief Supervisor since March 2020.
- (14) DONG Juan resigned in June 2020. In accordance with the regulations of the relevant state departments and upon her own application, DONG Juan waived all remuneration from the Group in 2020 and 2019.
- (15) XU Li resigned in June 2020.
- (16) CHENG Fengchao was appointed as an external supervisor in June 2020.
- (17) HAN Xiangrong was appointed as an external supervisor in June 2020.
- (18) ZHENG Shengqin resigned in May 2021.
- (19) CHEN Jin resigned in June 2020.
- (20) SUN Hongbo was appointed as an employee supervisor in June 2020.
- (21) GUO Jinghua was appointed as an employee supervisor in May 2021.

The executive directors and supervisors' emoluments shown above were for their services in connection with the management of the affairs of the Company and the Group. The non-executive directors' emoluments shown above were for their services as directors of the Company and/or its subsidiaries. The independent non-executive directors' emoluments shown above were for their services as the directors of the Company.

The total compensation packages for these directors and supervisors for the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 have not been approved by the general meeting, or finalised in accordance with regulations of the relevant authorities in the PRC. The final compensation will be disclosed in a separate announcement when determined.

During the year, no emolument was paid by the Group to any of the directors, supervisors or the five highest paid individuals as set out in Note V.18 below as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as a compensation for loss of office. Bonus was determined based on the performance of individuals by the Group on a discretionary basis.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

18. Five highest paid individuals

The emoluments of the five individuals whose emoluments were the highest in the Group for the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 were as follows:

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Salaries and other benefits	2,436	3,321
Employer's contribution to pension scheme	591	792
Discretionary and performance related incentive payments	8,506	8,049
Total	<u>11,533</u>	<u>12,162</u>

Among the five individuals with the highest emoluments in the Group, none of them was a director nor supervisor during the years of 2021 and 2020. The number of these five individuals whose emoluments fall within the following bands is as follows:

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
HKD2,500,001 to HKD3,000,000	4	3
HKD3,000,001 to HKD3,500,000	1	2
	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

19. Cash and balances with central bank

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Cash	497,754	480,745
Mandatory reserve deposits with central bank ⁽¹⁾	15,192,316	18,408,034
Surplus reserve deposits with central bank ⁽²⁾	8,144,629	3,700,102
Other deposits with central bank	121,802	219,481
Total	<u>23,956,501</u>	<u>22,808,362</u>

The balance of the Group mainly arises from its banking business.

- (1) Mandatory reserve deposits were placed with the People's Bank of China (the "PBOC"). They include RMB reserve deposits and foreign currency reserve deposits. These mandatory reserve deposits are not available for the Group's daily operations.

As at 31 December 2021, the RMB and foreign currency mandatory reserve deposits placed with the PBOC were mainly based on 6.00% (31 December 2020: 7.00%) and 9.00% (31 December 2020: 5.00%) of eligible RMB and foreign currency deposits of Huarong Xiangjiang Bank Corporation Limited ("Huarong Xiangjiang Bank"), a subsidiary of the Company. The foreign currency reserve deposits placed with the PBOC are non-interest bearing.

- (2) The surplus reserve deposits are deposits maintained with the PBOC in addition to the mandatory reserve deposits and mainly for the purpose of clearing.

20. Deposits with financial institutions

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Banks ⁽¹⁾	139,523,649	115,363,730
Clearing settlement funds ⁽²⁾	6,257,730	6,909,093
Other financial institutions	941,140	1,627,524
Subtotal	<u>146,722,519</u>	<u>123,900,347</u>
Less: Allowance for ECL ⁽³⁾	<u>(24,262)</u>	<u>(25,316)</u>
Total	<u>146,698,257</u>	<u>123,875,031</u>

- (1) The Group maintains bank accounts to hold customers' deposits arising from its brokerage business. As at 31 December 2021, the bank balances and clearing settlement funds held on behalf of customers by the Group amounted to RMB9,970 million (31 December 2020: RMB8,578 million). The Group has recognised the corresponding amount in accounts payable to brokerage clients and margin deposit received from securities customers (see Note V.50).

- (2) The Group's clearing settlement funds were mainly deposited in the China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited.

- (3) As at 31 December 2021 and 2020, the Group's deposits with financial institutions were all in Stage I.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

21. Placements with financial institutions

(1) Analysed by type of counterparty

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Banks	18,821,172	3,039,447
Other financial institutions	864,589	2,701,357
Total	<u>19,685,761</u>	<u>5,740,804</u>

(2) Analysed by geographical sectors

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Mainland China	19,685,761	5,740,804
Total	<u>19,685,761</u>	<u>5,740,804</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

22. Financial assets and financial liabilities at FVTPL

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Distressed debt assets	182,087,159	189,056,713
Equity instruments		
— Listed	39,630,654	41,392,720
— Unlisted	21,532,540	22,128,096
Funds	49,095,186	38,657,037
Debt securities		
— Corporate bonds	12,807,916	12,665,880
— Government bonds	3,377,495	586,790
— Financial institution bonds	423,360	948,542
— Public sector and quasi-government bonds	94,516	90,274
Trust products	11,682,265	11,733,711
Asset management plans	7,864,081	10,216,345
Derivatives and structured products ⁽¹⁾	6,348,139	6,545,926
Wealth management products ⁽²⁾	5,654,981	10,023,565
Convertible bonds	2,189,644	3,236,153
Entrusted loans	884,284	2,381,390
Negotiable certificates of deposit	378,319	4,333,885
Asset-backed securities	147,597	299,546
Other debt assets	6,849,583	5,143,414
Total	351,047,719	359,439,987

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Financial liabilities mandatorily measured at FVTPL		
Derivatives financial instruments ⁽³⁾	332,262	656,826
Financial liabilities designated as at FVTPL		
Interest of other holders of consolidated structured entities ⁽⁴⁾	351,400	2,644,701
Total	683,662	3,301,527

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

22. Financial assets and financial liabilities at FVTPL (continued)

- (1) The Group entered into a series of structured transactions that were managed on the fair value basis. Such structured products were accounted for as financial assets mandatorily measured at FVTPL for the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 according to their investment management strategy or the contractual cash flows were not solely payments of principal and interest.

As at 31 December 2021, included in structured products were credit linked notes of RMB1,387 million (31 December 2020: RMB2,681 million). Credit linked notes are debt instruments but their returns can be adversely impacted by credit-related performance of reference assets.

The Group entered into a number of total return swap arrangements under which the Group pays counterparties a reference interest rate and receives from counterparties total returns of reference assets. The Group therefore is exposed to default risks of the reference assets. As at 31 December 2021, the fair value and nominal value of these total return swaps amounted to RMB1,331 million (31 December 2020: RMB1,589 million) and RMB1,417 million (31 December 2020: RMB1,450 million), respectively.

- (2) This mainly represents wealth management products issued by banking institutions outside the Group.
- (3) The Group entered into a series of interest rate swap and cross-currency swap contracts designated as highly effective hedging instruments in order to manage the Group's foreign currency exposure in relation to foreign currency denominated bonds and notes issued. The terms of the derivative contracts have been negotiated to match the terms of the respective designated hedged items and therefore the hedge is considered highly effective. As at 31 December 2021, the fair value of these hedging instruments amounted to RMB307 million (31 December 2020: RMB591 million) and the instruments were included in structured products classified as financial assets at FVTPL).
- (4) In respect of these liabilities designated at FVTPL, the Group is required at maturities to pay amounts according to other investors' share in the underlying assets of the special structure entities consolidated. The amount ultimately paid by the Group depends on the fair values of these assets at maturities and may be different from the carrying amounts as at 31 December 2021.

23. Financial assets held under resale agreements

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
By collateral type:		
Securities	12,163,715	21,780,134
Bills	1,507,991	—
Subtotal	13,671,706	21,780,134
Less: Allowance for ECL		
— 12-month ECL	—	—
— Lifetime ECL	(2,627,435)	(6,555,511)
Subtotal	(2,627,435)	(6,555,511)
Net financial assets held under resale agreements	11,044,271	15,224,623

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

23. Financial assets held under resale agreements (continued)

The majority of these financial assets held under resale agreements arises from the group's securities business, asset management business and banking business.

As at 31 December 2021, the Group received pledged securities with a fair value of approximately RMB14,634 million (31 December 2020: RMB14,676 million). As at 31 December 2021, none of them could be resold or repledged by the Group in the absence of default by their owners (31 December 2020: Nil). For the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020, the Group did not repledge the securities. The Group has an obligation to return the pledged securities to their counterparties on the maturity dates of the resale agreements.

24. Contract assets

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Construction contracts	<u>5,735,596</u>	<u>5,306,994</u>

The contract assets primarily relate to the Group's right to consideration for work completed and not billed because the rights are conditioned on the Group's future performance. The contract assets are transferred to trade receivables when the rights become unconditional. Contract assets relate to revenue earned from ongoing construction services. As such, the balances of this account vary and depend on the progress of ongoing construction services at the end of the year and the recognition of significant financing components.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

25. Loans and advances to customers

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Loans and advances to customers measured at amortised cost		
Corporate loans and advances	125,058,627	124,036,751
Personal loans and advances		
— Personal consumption loans	33,715,168	35,059,313
— Mortgages	37,562,809	31,664,886
— Loans for business operations	17,595,514	28,671,044
— Others	2,171	2,480,609
Subtotal	88,875,662	97,875,852
Loans to margin clients	4,463,589	4,091,343
Gross loans and advances to customers measured at amortised cost	218,397,878	226,003,946
Less: Allowance for ECL		
— 12-month ECL	(1,073,790)	(2,012,940)
— Lifetime ECL	(7,034,878)	(5,653,222)
Subtotal	(8,108,668)	(7,666,162)
Net loans and advances to customers measured at amortised cost	210,289,210	218,337,784
Loans and advances measured at fair value through other comprehensive income		
— Discounted bills	36,874,793	14,162,395
Net loans and advances to customers	247,164,003	232,500,179

The movements of expected credit loss on loans and advances during the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 are detailed in Note V.62.1.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

26. Finance lease receivables

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Minimum finance lease receivables:		
Within 1 year (inclusive)	13,023,298	21,520,563
1 year to 2 years (inclusive)	7,299,150	12,370,880
2 years to 3 years (inclusive)	3,533,086	7,212,874
3 years to 4 years (inclusive)	3,083,662	2,575,909
4 years to 5 years (inclusive)	1,304,530	1,682,333
Over 5 years	1,647,459	2,803,565
Gross amount of finance lease receivables	29,891,185	48,166,124
Less: Unearned finance income	(3,615,604)	(5,469,726)
Net amount of finance lease receivables	26,275,581	42,696,398
Less: Allowance for ECL		
— 12-month ECL	(190,654)	(296,642)
— Lifetime ECL	(2,530,860)	(2,603,056)
Subtotal	(2,721,514)	(2,899,698)
Carrying amount of finance lease receivables	23,554,067	39,796,700
Present value of minimum finance lease receivables:		
Within 1 year (inclusive)	11,490,160	19,076,334
1 year to 2 years (inclusive)	6,399,811	10,983,523
2 years to 3 years (inclusive)	3,096,393	6,386,832
3 years to 4 years (inclusive)	2,702,444	2,279,471
4 years to 5 years (inclusive)	1,143,081	1,489,028
Over 5 years	1,443,692	2,481,210
Total	26,275,581	42,696,398

The movements of expected credit loss on finance lease receivables during the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 are detailed in Note V.62.1.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

27. Debt instruments at FVOCI

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Distressed debt assets	23,030,955	36,654,337
Debt securities		
— Corporate bonds	12,992,600	23,285,767
— Government bonds	10,500,620	6,782,962
— Financial institution bonds	2,642,473	5,434,226
— Public sector and quasi-government bonds	1,752,312	2,084,872
Asset management plans	2,794,928	3,022,351
Entrusted loans ⁽¹⁾	2,409,438	2,758,435
Debt instruments	963,403	2,213,452
Asset-backed securities	26,344	592,838
Trust products	90,551	277,608
Total	<u>57,203,624</u>	<u>83,106,848</u>

(1) These are the entrusted loans granted by subsidiaries through commercial banks outside the Group.

The movements of expected credit loss on debt instruments at FVOCI during the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 are detailed in Note V.62.1.

28. Equity instruments at FVOCI

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Listed investments	831,405	2,258,248
Unlisted investments	2,308,174	2,235,613
Total	<u>3,139,579</u>	<u>4,493,861</u>

(1) The above listed and unlisted equity investments represent equity instruments listed in PRC or Hong Kong and equity interests in private entities established in PRC or incorporated in Hong Kong. These investments are not held for trading.

(2) In the current year, the Group disposed of certain investments at their fair value of RMB1,777 million as at the date of disposal as the investment no longer met the investment objective of the Group (31 December 2020: RMB340 million). A cumulative loss on disposal of RMB49 million has been transferred to retained earnings (2020: RMB214 million). The Group received RMB164 million dividend from equity instruments at FVOCI for the year of 2021 (2020: RMB160 million).

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

29. Inventories

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Costs		
Property development costs	13,710,171	19,767,650
Properties for sale	8,086,401	1,930,396
Subtotal	21,796,572	21,698,046
Allowance for impairment losses ⁽¹⁾	(942,494)	(1,585,686)
Total	20,854,078	20,112,360

(1) Movement for allowance for impairment losses

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Movement for allowance for impairment losses		
At beginning of the year	(1,585,686)	—
Charge for the year	—	(1,585,686)
Write-offs/transfer out	643,192	—
At end of the year	(942,494)	(1,585,686)
Net book value of inventories pledged for borrowings	1,351,517	280,480

During the year, borrowing costs of RMB621 million (2020: RMB840 million) were capitalised in the costs of inventory.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

29. Inventories (continued)

Analysis of leasehold lands:

As at 1 January 2021

Carrying amount

10,139,475

As at 31 December 2021

Carrying amount

13,387,401

For the year ended 31 December 2021

Total cash outflow

5,530,730

Additions

7,102,403

As at 1 January 2020

Carrying amount

8,191,785

As at 31 December 2020

Carrying amount

10,139,475

For the year ended 31 December 2020

Total cash outflow

1,325,254

Additions

1,329,683

Effective from 1 January 2019, the carrying amount of leasehold lands is measured under IFRS 16 at cost less any accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

30. Debt instruments at amortised cost

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Distressed debt assets		
Loans acquired from financial institutions	31,957,115	30,726,542
Other debt assets acquired from non-financial institutions	277,866,266	326,469,759
Subtotal	309,823,381	357,196,301
Less: Allowance for ECL		
— 12-month ECL	(2,820,287)	(3,543,736)
— Lifetime ECL	(37,679,714)	(37,352,999)
Subtotal	(40,500,001)	(40,896,735)
Carrying amount of distressed debt assets	269,323,380	316,299,566
Other debt assets		
Debt instruments	112,163,632	110,856,836
Debt securities	94,677,178	96,867,568
Trust products	56,594,621	74,562,640
Receivables arising from sales and leaseback arrangements	69,336,374	70,362,626
Entrusted loans ⁽¹⁾	53,845,625	66,186,458
Asset management plans	7,024,465	8,331,753
Asset-backed securities	1,603,565	2,782,093
Others	2,199,122	1,936,209
Subtotal	397,444,582	431,886,183
Less: Allowance for ECL		
— 12-month ECL	(1,232,407)	(1,343,542)
— Lifetime ECL	(84,736,121)	(90,793,625)
Subtotal	(85,968,528)	(92,137,167)
Carrying amount of other debt assets	311,476,054	339,749,016
Total	580,799,434	656,048,582

(1) These are the entrusted loans granted through commercial banks outside the Group.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

30. Debt instruments at amortised cost (continued)

During the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group disposed of certain financial assets measured at amortised cost, primarily because the company had to manage its credit risk.

The movements of expected credit loss on debt instruments at amortised cost during the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 are detailed in Note V.62.1.

31. Interests in associates and joint ventures

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Interests in associates		
Cost of investments in associates	12,689,495	16,402,355
Share of post-acquisition profits or losses and other comprehensive income, net of dividends received	(948,507)	(1,067,304)
Less: Allowance for impairment losses ⁽¹⁾	(3,121,883)	(3,939,096)
Subtotal	8,619,105	11,395,955
Interests in joint ventures		
Cost of investments in joint ventures	5,986,647	6,707,579
Share of post-acquisition profits or losses and other comprehensive income, net of dividends received	(357,929)	(276,372)
Less: Allowance for impairment losses ⁽¹⁾	(3,732,978)	(3,469,209)
Subtotal	1,895,740	2,961,998
Total	10,514,845	14,357,953
Fair value of listed companies	755,575	843,063

(1) Allowance for impairment losses

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
At beginning of the year	(7,408,305)	(2,710,637)
Charge for the year	(364,257)	(5,781,801)
Write-off and transfer out	834,822	1,084,133
Others	82,879	—
At end of the year	(6,854,861)	(7,408,305)

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

31. Interests in associates and joint ventures (continued)

During the year, the Group received an aggregate of dividend of RMB79 million (2020: RMB250 million) from associates and joint ventures.

The Group ceased to have significant influences over certain associates due to the loss of representation in board of directors of these associates and partial disposal of these interests. The Group has accounted for the remaining interests in these associates as financial assets at FVTPL. No realised and deemed gains had been recognised on such disposals during the year (2020: RMB0.16 million).

The Group performed an impairment test on the interests in associates and joint ventures at the end of the reporting period and assessed recoverable amounts, being the higher of the fair value and the value in use of the related investments. Provision was made for the items with recoverable amounts being lower than the carrying amounts and the impairment losses were recognised in profit or loss. The fair value of these associates and joint ventures were mainly the unadjusted quotation in the active market. For the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group recognised RMB364 million impairment losses for these associates and joint ventures (2020: RMB5,782 million).

Details of the Group's principal associates and joint ventures are as follows:

Name of entity	Place of incorporation/ establishment	Principal place of business	Carrying amount		Proportion of ownership held by the Group		Proportion of voting rights held by the Group		Principal activities
			At 31 December		At 31 December		At 31 December		
			2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	
				%	%	%	%		
<u>Associates</u>									
Ruikong (Holdings) Ltd.	Hong Kong, PRC	Hong Kong, PRC/ Netherlands	1,849,485	1,934,986	22.59	22.59	22.59	22.59	Investment Holding
Beijing Energy International Holding Co., Ltd.	Bermuda, UK	Hong Kong, PRC	1,257,399	1,355,392	13.59	13.59	13.59	13.59	Energy Industry
Huarong Jinshang Asset Management Co., Ltd.	Taiyuan, PRC	Mainland China	1,108,655	952,474	48.88	48.88	48.88	48.88	Asset Management
<u>Joint ventures</u>									
Sacred Heart Healthcare L.P.	Cayman Islands	Cayman Islands	317,540	324,970	83.33	83.33	50.00	50.00	Fund

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

32. Interests in consolidated structured entities

To determine whether control exists in a structured entity, the Group uses the following judgements:

- (1) For a structured entity that the Group sponsors and provides financial guarantee, the Group therefore has an obligation to fund the losses beyond its investment, if any, in accordance with the guarantee agreements. The Group then concludes that its exposure to variability of returns is of such significance that the structured entity will be consolidated.
- (2) For private equity funds where the Group involves as both general partner and limited partner, the Group assesses whether the combination of investments it holds together with its remuneration creates exposure to variability of returns from the activities of the fund that is of such significance that it indicates that the fund manager is a principal. The fund will be consolidated if the Group acts in the role of principal.
- (3) For trust products or asset management plans where the Group involves as trustee/manager and/or as investor, the Group assesses whether the combination of investments it holds together with its remuneration creates exposure to variability of returns from the activities of the trust products or asset management plans that is of such significance that it indicates that the Group is a principal. The trust products or asset management plans will be consolidated if the Group acts in the role of principal.

The Group had consolidated certain structured entities during the year. They mainly include trust products, asset management plans and private equity funds.

As at 31 December 2021, interests in these consolidated structured entities held by the Group amounted to RMB96,154 million (31 December 2020: RMB82,295 million).

The financial impact of these trust products, asset management plans and private equity funds on the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2021 and 2020, and results and cash flows for the years then ended, though consolidated, are not significant individually and therefore not disclosed separately.

Interests held by other interest holders are presented as other liabilities and financial liabilities at FVTPL in the consolidated statement of financial position as disclosed in Notes V.50 and V.22. For the year of 2021, the change in net assets attributable to other holders of consolidated structured entities aggregately amounted to RMB2,669 million (2020: RMB501 million) and the profit from fair value changes on financial liabilities aggregately amounted to RMB479 million (2020: loss from fair value changes on financial liabilities aggregately amounted to RMB700 million).

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

33. Interests in unconsolidated structured entities

Apart from the structured entities the Group has consolidated as detailed in Note V.32, the Group also served as general partner, manager or trustee of certain structured entities and therefore had power over them. However, in the opinion of the Board of the Company, the variable returns the Group exposed to over these structured entities are not significant. The Group therefore did not consolidate these structured entities.

The Group classified the investments in these unconsolidated structured entities as financial assets at FVTPL, debt instruments at FVOCI, debt instruments at amortised cost or interests in joint ventures as appropriate.

The size of assets under management, carrying amount and maximum exposure to loss of the Group's investments in unconsolidated structured entities that are sponsored by the Group are as follows:

	31 December 2021				Income type
	Size of assets under management	Carrying amount	Maximum exposure to loss	Income from structured entity	
Trust products	71,451,051	—	—	83,138	Commission and fee income Interest income Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities
				83,138	
				—	
				—	
Private equity funds	30,031,471	4,484,484	4,484,484	380,630	Commission and fee income Interest income Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities
				14,719	
				57,893	
				308,018	
Asset management plans	34,679,099	1,660,115	1,660,115	57,689	Commission and fee income Interest income Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities
				57,689	
				—	
				—	
Total	<u>136,161,621</u>	<u>6,144,599</u>	<u>6,144,599</u>	<u>521,457</u>	

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

33. Interests in unconsolidated structured entities (continued)

	31 December 2020				Income Type
	Size of assets under management	Carrying amount	Maximum exposure to loss	Income from structured entity	
Trust products	117,075,043	7,107,506	7,107,506	606,768 237,096	Commission and fee income
				125,627	Interest income
				244,045	Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities
Private equity funds	22,603,495	9,244,413	9,244,413	444,184 10,053	Commission and fee income
				30,165	Interest income
				403,966	Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities
Asset management plans	84,822,574	4,563,473	4,563,473	503,796 142,919	Commission and fee income
				150,849	Interest income
				210,028	Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities
Total	<u>224,501,112</u>	<u>20,915,392</u>	<u>20,915,392</u>	<u>1,554,748</u>	

Meanwhile, the Group also holds interests in the unconsolidated structured entities sponsored by independent third parties through investments. As at 31 December 2021, the carrying amount and maximum exposure to loss amounted to RMB27,256 million (31 December 2020: RMB36,045 million). As at 31 December 2021, these investments are accounted for in financial assets at FVTPL, debt instruments at FVOCI, debt instruments at amortised cost and interests in associates and joint ventures.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

34. Investment properties

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Cost		
At beginning of the year	6,142,914	6,552,175
Additions	2,622,908	52,232
Transfer in	847,221	111,505
Transfer out	(40,144)	(572,998)
At end of the year	<u>9,572,899</u>	<u>6,142,914</u>
Accumulated depreciation		
At beginning of the year	763,983	641,309
Charge for the year	145,434	179,709
Transfer in	158,166	4,805
Transfer out	(1,279)	(61,840)
At end of the year	<u>1,066,304</u>	<u>763,983</u>
Allowance for impairment losses		
At beginning of the year	1,377,925	—
Charge for the year	—	1,377,925
Transfer in	274,706	—
Transfer out	(258)	—
At end of the year	<u>1,652,373</u>	<u>1,377,925</u>
Net book value		
At beginning of the year	<u>4,001,006</u>	<u>5,910,866</u>
At end of the year	<u>6,854,222</u>	<u>4,001,006</u>
Net book value of investment properties pledged for borrowings	<u>1,437,804</u>	<u>2,240,283</u>

The Group leases out buildings under operating leases with rentals payable monthly. The leases typically run for an initial period of 1 to 5 years, with unilateral rights to extend the lease beyond initial period held by lessees only.

The Group is not exposed to foreign currency risk as a result of the lease arrangements, as all leases are denominated in the respective functional currencies of group entities. The lease contracts do not contain residual value guarantee and/or lessee's option to purchase the property at the end of lease term.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

34. Investment properties (continued)

During the year, there was no cash outflow for leased properties under sub-leases (2020: RMB16 million), and there was no income from subleasing of right-of-use assets (2020: RMB4 million).

During the year, the Group transferred inventories of RMB265 million (2020: RMB100 million), property and equipment of RMB183 million (2020: RMB12 million) and intangible assets of RMB399 million (2020: Nil) to investment properties.

35. Property and equipment

	Buildings	Machinery equipment	Electronic equipment, furniture and fixtures	Motor vehicles and vessels	Construction in progress	Total
Costs						
As at 1 January 2021	6,590,167	3,542,737	1,576,530	5,518,136	822,116	18,049,686
Purchases	119,545	(4,348)	172,266	72,773	362,115	722,351
Transfer to assets of a disposal group classified as held for sale	—	—	(13,685)	(1,833)	—	(15,518)
Disposals	(1,989,524)	(30,061)	(107,369)	(1,490,458)	(62)	(3,617,474)
Transfer in	3,955	—	29	—	—	3,984
Transfer out	(203,664)	—	(324)	—	(77,660)	(281,648)
As at 31 December 2021	4,520,479	3,508,328	1,627,447	4,098,618	1,106,509	14,861,381
Accumulated depreciation						
As at 1 January 2021	1,767,434	628,160	1,264,440	1,290,395	—	4,950,429
Charge for the year	202,481	43,269	162,004	462,055	—	869,809
Transfer to assets of a disposal group classified as held for sale	—	—	(12,769)	(1,407)	—	(14,176)
Disposals	(238,436)	(2,570)	(82,126)	(417,596)	—	(740,728)
Transfer in	—	—	—	—	—	—
Transfer out	(112,717)	—	(291)	—	—	(113,008)
As at 31 December 2021	1,618,762	668,859	1,331,258	1,333,447	—	4,952,326

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

35. Property and equipment (continued)

	<u>Buildings</u>	<u>Machinery equipment</u>	<u>Electronic equipment, furniture and fixtures</u>	<u>Motor vehicles and vessels</u>	<u>Construction in progress</u>	<u>Total</u>
Allowance for impairment losses						
As at 1 January 2021	287,856	94,125	—	—	—	381,981
Charge for the year	—	24,570	—	61,450	—	86,020
Disposals	(159,443)	(17,690)	—	(3,020)	—	(180,153)
As at 31 December 2021	128,413	101,005	—	58,430	—	287,848
Net book values						
As at 1 January 2021	<u>4,534,877</u>	<u>2,820,452</u>	<u>312,090</u>	<u>4,227,741</u>	<u>822,116</u>	<u>12,717,276</u>
As at 31 December 2021	<u>2,773,304</u>	<u>2,738,464</u>	<u>296,189</u>	<u>2,706,741</u>	<u>1,106,509</u>	<u>9,621,207</u>
Including:						
Net book value of assets pledged as at 31 December 2021	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>3,609,166</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>3,609,166</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

35. Property and equipment (continued)

	Buildings	Machinery equipment	Electronic equipment, furniture and fixtures	Motor vehicles and vessels	Construction in progress	Total
Costs						
As at 1 January 2020	6,430,973	3,112,741	1,532,623	4,796,064	673,312	16,545,713
Purchases	29,158	25,981	205,102	970,749	219,797	1,450,787
Disposals	(84,451)	(16,753)	(181,516)	(249,040)	(873)	(532,633)
Transfer in	241,010	420,768	20,321	363	—	682,462
Transfer out	(26,523)	—	—	—	(70,120)	(96,643)
As at 31 December 2020	6,590,167	3,542,737	1,576,530	5,518,136	822,116	18,049,686
Accumulated depreciation						
As at 1 January 2020	1,561,954	395,053	1,190,365	892,852	—	4,040,224
Charge for the year	188,340	57,681	211,422	512,320	—	969,763
Disposals	(25,212)	(2,467)	(137,525)	(115,083)	—	(280,287)
Transfer in	47,776	177,893	178	306	—	226,153
Transfer out	(5,424)	—	—	—	—	(5,424)
As at 31 December 2020	1,767,434	628,160	1,264,440	1,290,395	—	4,950,429
Allowance for impairment losses						
As at 1 January 2020	97,830	80,000	2,610	—	—	180,440
Charge for the year	131,782	14,125	—	—	—	145,907
Disposals	58,244	—	(2,610)	—	—	55,634
As at 31 December 2020	287,856	94,125	—	—	—	381,981
Net book values						
As at 1 January 2020	4,771,189	2,637,688	339,648	3,903,212	673,312	12,325,049
As at 31 December 2020	4,534,877	2,820,452	312,090	4,227,741	822,116	12,717,276
Including:						
Net book value of assets pledged as at 31 December 2020	—	—	—	4,006,110	—	4,006,110

As at 31 December 2021, properties that the Group has not obtained certificate of land use right or certificate of property ownership amounted to RMB162 million (31 December 2020: RMB747 million). The Board of the Company do not anticipate the aforesaid matters to have any significant adverse effect on the Group's operations.

As at 31 December 2021, the Group's original cost of the fully depreciated property and equipment that were still in use amounted to RMB1,077 million (31 December 2020: RMB1,035 million).

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

36. Right-of-use assets

	Buildings	Leasehold land	Machinery equipment	Electronic equipment, furniture and fixtures	Motor vehicles	Total
Costs						
As at 1 January 2021	2,177,820	2,007,285	3,552	9,905	3,022	4,201,584
Addition	2,674,396	28,603	1,211	886	38	2,705,134
Assets held for sale	(20,702)	—	—	—	—	(20,702)
Disposals	(1,462,332)	(425,930)	(741)	(3,090)	—	(1,892,093)
As at 31 December 2021	<u>3,369,182</u>	<u>1,609,958</u>	<u>4,022</u>	<u>7,701</u>	<u>3,060</u>	<u>4,993,923</u>
Accumulated depreciation						
As at 1 January 2021	1,169,429	326,812	797	3,198	1,334	1,501,570
Charge for the year	690,503	28,777	2,220	1,562	813	723,875
Assets held for sale	(12,941)	—	—	—	—	(12,941)
Disposals	(691,434)	(26,375)	(709)	(2,171)	—	(720,689)
As at 31 December 2021	<u>1,155,557</u>	<u>329,214</u>	<u>2,308</u>	<u>2,589</u>	<u>2,147</u>	<u>1,491,815</u>
Allowance						
As at 1 January 2021	—	252,859	—	—	—	252,859
Transfer out	—	(252,859)	—	—	—	(252,859)
As at 31 December 2021	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Net book values						
As at 1 January 2021	<u>1,008,391</u>	<u>1,427,614</u>	<u>2,755</u>	<u>6,707</u>	<u>1,688</u>	<u>2,447,155</u>
As at 31 December 2021	<u>2,213,625</u>	<u>1,280,744</u>	<u>1,714</u>	<u>5,112</u>	<u>913</u>	<u>3,502,108</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

36. Right-of-use assets (continued)

	Buildings	Leasehold land	Machinery equipment	Electronic equipment, furniture and fixtures	Motor vehicles	Total
Costs						
As at 1 January 2020	2,423,697	2,007,937	529	2,771	5,178	4,440,112
Addition	494,403	34	3,023	8,587	1,563	507,610
Disposals	(740,280)	(686)	—	(1,453)	(3,719)	(746,138)
As at 31 December 2020	<u>2,177,820</u>	<u>2,007,285</u>	<u>3,552</u>	<u>9,905</u>	<u>3,022</u>	<u>4,201,584</u>
Accumulated depreciation						
As at 1 January 2020	594,903	272,899	170	505	2,016	870,493
Charge for the year	645,034	54,212	627	2,762	752	703,387
Disposals	(70,508)	(299)	—	(69)	(1,434)	(72,310)
As at 31 December 2020	<u>1,169,429</u>	<u>326,812</u>	<u>797</u>	<u>3,198</u>	<u>1,334</u>	<u>1,501,570</u>
Allowance						
As at 1 January 2020	—	—	—	—	—	—
Charge for the year	—	252,859	—	—	—	252,859
As at 31 December 2020	<u>—</u>	<u>252,859</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>252,859</u>
Net book values						
As at 1 January 2020	<u>1,828,794</u>	<u>1,735,038</u>	<u>359</u>	<u>2,266</u>	<u>3,162</u>	<u>3,569,619</u>
As at 31 December 2020	<u>1,008,391</u>	<u>1,427,614</u>	<u>2,755</u>	<u>6,707</u>	<u>1,688</u>	<u>2,447,155</u>

For interest expenses on lease liabilities for the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020, please refer to Note V.9 for details.

For expenses on short-term leases for the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020, please refer to Note V.11 for details.

As at 31 December 2021, total cash outflow for leases amounted to RMB987 million (31 December 2020: RMB949 million).

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

36. Right-of-use assets (continued)

For both years, lease contracts of the Group are entered into for fixed term of 1 year to 10 years. Lease terms are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. In determining the lease term and assessing the length of the non-cancellable period, the Group applies the definition of a contract and determines the period for which the contract is enforceable.

In addition, as at 31 December 2021, lease liabilities of RMB2,050 million (31 December 2020: RMB920 million) were recognised with related right-of-use assets of RMB3,502 million (31 December 2020: RMB2,447 million) and investment properties of RMB58 million (31 December 2020: RMB58 million). The lease agreements did not impose any covenants other than the security interests in the leased assets that are held by the lessor and the relevant leased assets may not be used as security for borrowing purposes.

37. Deferred taxation

For the purpose of presentation on the consolidated statement of financial position, certain deferred tax assets and liabilities have been offset. The followings are the analysis of the deferred tax balances:

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Deferred tax assets		
— Continuing operations	15,612,489	14,423,850
— Discontinued operations	3,012	—
Deferred tax liabilities		
— Continuing operations	(341,556)	(408,771)
Total	<u>15,273,945</u>	<u>14,015,079</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

37. Deferred taxation (continued)

	Changes in fair value of financial assets at FVOCI	Changes in fair value of financial assets at FVTPL	Staff costs accrued but not paid	Allowance for impairment losses	Lease arrangement	Discontinued operation	Others	Total
As at 1 January 2021	1,115,441	(496,018)	589,348	12,861,986	12,532	—	(68,210)	14,015,079
(Charge)/credit to profit or loss (Note V.14)	—	(154,560)	(102,893)	1,179,492	(39,847)	3,012	131,852	1,017,056
(Charge)/credit to other comprehensive income	(178,656)	—	—	237,118	—	—	—	58,462
Disposals of subsidiaries and others	880	(76)	(1,127)	275,281	(130)	—	(91,480)	183,348
As at 31 December 2021	<u>937,665</u>	<u>(650,654)</u>	<u>485,328</u>	<u>14,553,877</u>	<u>(27,445)</u>	<u>3,012</u>	<u>(27,838)</u>	<u>15,273,945</u>
As at 1 January 2020	(987,981)	587,515	488,402	11,943,948	5,560	—	(322,193)	11,715,251
(Charge)/credit to profit or loss (Note V.14)	—	(1,105,183)	102,896	2,603,379	6,972	—	277,610	1,885,674
(Charge)/credit to other comprehensive income	2,104,234	—	—	(1,454,324)	—	—	—	649,910
Disposals of subsidiaries and others	(812)	21,650	(1,950)	(231,017)	—	—	(23,627)	(235,756)
As at 31 December 2020	<u>1,115,441</u>	<u>(496,018)</u>	<u>589,348</u>	<u>12,861,986</u>	<u>12,532</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(68,210)</u>	<u>14,015,079</u>

For the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group's unused tax losses and deductible temporary differences not recognised as deferred tax assets amounted to RMB29,664 million and RMB121,826 million respectively (31 December 2020: RMB18,947 million and RMB140,004 million respectively).

The expiry dates of unused tax losses are as follows:

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
1 to 5 years	11,738,062	8,260,091
Undated	17,926,070	10,686,548
Total	<u>29,664,132</u>	<u>18,946,639</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

38. Goodwill

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Cost		
At 1 January	1,212,463	360,684
Acquisition of subsidiaries	—	851,779
At 31 December	1,212,463	1,212,463
Impairment		
At 1 January	(889,492)	(342,621)
Impairment loss recognised in the year (Note V.13)	—	(546,871)
At 31 December	(889,492)	(889,492)
Net goodwill at 31 December	322,971	322,971

Impairment testing on goodwill

The gross balance was mainly comprised of goodwill of RMB834 million, RMB245 million and RMB90 million arising from acquisitions of Huarong Rongda Futures Co., Ltd. (“Huarong Rongda Futures”), Huarong Investment Stock Corporation Ltd. (“HISC”) and Huarong International Financial Holdings Limited (“HIFH”) respectively.

As at 31 December 2021, the impairment of the goodwill arising from acquisitions determined to be:

- For Huarong Rongda Futures, its fair value less costs of disposals. For the year ended 31 December 2021, the goodwill has been impaired by RMB547 million. For the goodwill impairment test, there is no need to make provision for goodwill impairment in the current year.
- For HISC, its value in use, which is calculated using cash flow projection based on financial budget approved by management covering a five-year period. As at 31 December 2019, the goodwill has been fully impaired.
- For HIFH, its fair value less costs of disposals. As at 31 December 2018, the goodwill has been fully impaired.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

39. Other assets

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Other receivables	23,041,458	22,222,713
Foreclosed assets ⁽¹⁾	4,969,295	4,208,303
Payments in advance	1,418,204	3,078,211
Prepaid income tax	1,139,967	1,382,663
Clearing and settlement receivables	595,795	503,257
Intangible assets	573,238	474,849
Deductible value-added tax	431,918	420,278
Prepaid expenses	241,173	275,930
Dividends receivable	71,904	30,480
Notes receivable	14,185	165,767
Others	1,527,981	1,008,110
Subtotal	34,025,118	33,770,561
Allowance for other assets	(10,215,667)	(9,028,067)
Total	23,809,451	24,742,494

(1) The Group disposes foreclosed assets through various means. In principle, foreclosed assets should not be transferred for own use, but, in the event that they are needed for the Group's own business or management purposes, they are transferred at their net carrying amounts and managed as newly acquired property and equipment.

40. Borrowings from central bank

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Due within 1 year	23,147,628	23,182,829

As at 31 December 2021, borrowings from central bank carried interest at market rates which ranged from 0.00% to 2.95% (31 December 2020: 1.55% to 3.15%) per annum.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

41. Deposits from financial institutions

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Banks	3,186,874	1,865,012
Other financial institutions	10,469,466	7,059,129
Total	<u>13,656,340</u>	<u>8,924,141</u>

Deposits from financial institutions carry interest at market rates which range from 0.35% to 3.58% (31 December 2020: 0.35% to 3.70%) per annum.

42. Placements from financial institutions

(1) Analysed by type of counterparties

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Banks	4,784,219	4,677,959
Other financial institutions	—	1,307
Total	<u>4,784,219</u>	<u>4,679,266</u>

(2) Analysed by geographical sectors

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Mainland China	4,784,219	4,679,266
Total	<u>4,784,219</u>	<u>4,679,266</u>

Placements from financial institutions carry interest at market rates which range from 2.65% to 5.60% (31 December 2020: 0.30% to 5.50%) per annum.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

43. Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Discounted bills	20,196,972	—
Bonds	10,669,250	15,456,721
Negotiable certificates of deposit	—	90,727
Total	<u>30,866,222</u>	<u>15,547,448</u>

44. Borrowings

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Unsecured loans	715,983,835	741,241,192
Pledged loans	16,314,382	14,337,731
Guaranteed loans ⁽¹⁾	8,861,773	13,874,128
Loans secured by properties	6,465,472	8,970,717
Total	<u>747,625,462</u>	<u>778,423,768</u>

(1) Among the balance of guaranteed loans, a balance of RMB8,191 million (31 December 2020: RMB12,856 million) was borrowed by subsidiaries of the Company and guaranteed by the Company.

The carrying amounts of assets pledged or secured for borrowings are listed as follows:

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Finance lease receivables	20,733,324	34,148,563
Deposits with financial institutions	3,110,000	4,811,782
Investment properties	1,437,804	2,240,283
Inventories	1,351,517	280,480
Others	13,975,634	7,221,432
Total	<u>40,608,279</u>	<u>48,702,540</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

44. Borrowings (continued)

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Carrying amount repayable ⁽²⁾ :		
Within 1 year (inclusive)	549,497,962	477,307,698
1 year to 2 years (inclusive)	31,488,408	87,645,300
2 years to 5 years (inclusive)	141,553,141	182,291,863
More than 5 years	1,817,088	24,465,323
Subtotal	724,356,599	771,710,184
Carrying amount of borrowings that contain a repayment on demand clause repayable ⁽²⁾ :		
Within 1 year (inclusive)	18,604,815	6,213,584
1 year to 2 years (inclusive)	506,025	500,000
2 years to 5 years (inclusive)	1,719,703	—
More than 5 years	2,438,320	—
Subtotal	23,268,863	6,713,584
Total	747,625,462	778,423,768

(2) The amounts due are based on scheduled repayment dates set out in the loan agreements.

The exposure of the Group's fixed-rate borrowings by remaining contractual maturity periods are as follows:

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Within 1 year (inclusive)	549,313,810	475,800,319
1 year to 2 years (inclusive)	30,615,814	87,549,407
2 years to 5 years (inclusive)	141,952,279	176,964,575
More than 5 years	3,434,252	22,678,211
Total	725,316,155	762,992,512

In addition, the Group has variable-rate borrowings which carry interest based on borrowing or deposit benchmark interest rate of PBOC, Shanghai Inter-bank Offered Rate ("SHIBOR"), Hong Kong Inter-bank Offered Rate ("HIBOR"), London Inter-bank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") or prime rate.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

44. Borrowings (continued)

The ranges of effective interest rate (which are also equal to contractual interest rates) on the Group's borrowings are as follows:

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Effective interest rate		
Fixed-rate borrowings	1.40%–10.00%	2.15%–10.00%
Variable-rate borrowings	1.18%–5.80%	1.02%–6.37%

As at 31 December 2021, the Group failed to comply with certain financial or non-financial conditions stipulated in certain lending and borrowing agreements between banks and non-bank financial institutions, and the relevant amount of these borrowings was RMB9,551 million (31 December 2020: RMB12,043 million). The Group is in active dialogue with the relevant institutions, these institutions still provide normal borrowings to the Group and have not yet requested early repayments of borrowings.

45. Due to customers

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Demand deposits		
Corporate customers	78,644,325	76,769,425
Individual customers	23,583,574	23,510,514
Time deposits		
Corporate customers	66,441,766	68,018,771
Individual customers	61,901,899	64,490,669
Pledged deposits	8,271,102	7,408,947
Others	18,366,222	10,628,893
Total	257,208,888	250,827,219

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

46. Tax payable

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Enterprise income tax	1,082,985	785,890
PRC Land appreciation tax	181,755	310,875
Hong Kong profits tax	123,865	187,132
Total	<u>1,388,605</u>	<u>1,283,897</u>

47. Contract liabilities

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Properties development contracts ⁽¹⁾	394,898	649,052
Sale of goods contracts	5,417	—
Futures and insurance contracts	882	—
Total	<u>401,197</u>	<u>649,052</u>

(1) Properties development contracts

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
At beginning of the year	649,052	575,076
Deferred during the year	496,457	1,588,493
Recognised as revenue during the year	(750,611)	(1,514,517)
At end of the year	<u>394,898</u>	<u>649,052</u>

Typical payment terms which impact on the amount of contract liabilities recognised are disclosed in the information about the Group's performance obligation, which is set out in Note V.8.

The following table shows how much of the revenue recognised relates to carried-forward contract liabilities.

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Revenue recognised that was included in the contract liabilities balance at the beginning of the year properties development contracts	<u>266,835</u>	<u>462,269</u>

The most significant changes in contract liabilities is related to revenue recognised and cash received in advance during current and prior year.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

48. Lease liabilities

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Lease liabilities payable:		
Within one year	614,786	262,148
Within a period of more than one year but not more than two years	586,144	307,786
Within a period of more than two years but not more than five years	621,263	224,271
Within a period of more than five years	227,347	125,612
Total	2,049,540	919,817

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

49. Bonds and notes issued

	As at 31 December		Term	Coupon rate per annum	Interest payment terms
	2021	2020			
Mid-term U.S. dollar notes	77,550,420	98,899,418	1–30 years	2.13%–5.50% fixed rate	Interest payable semi-annually
Negotiable certificates of deposit	56,752,982	65,789,796	0.5–12 months	1.65%–3.77% fixed rate	Interest payable on maturity date
Financial bonds ⁽¹⁾	57,164,428	58,160,238	3–5 years	3.39%–5.42% fixed rate	Interest payable annually
Tier II capital bonds ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	25,673,055	25,662,422	10 years	4.50%–5.00% fixed rate	Interest payable annually
Mid-term U.S. dollar notes	18,102,056	20,951,194	3–5 years	3 months LIBOR+1.125%– 1.85% floating rate	Interest payable quarterly
Asset-backed securities ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾	6,299,715	19,232,683	131–938 days	3.00%–4.50% fixed rate	Interest payable semi-annually
Corporate bonds	8,716,920	15,365,412	1–6 years	3.14%–6.60% fixed rate	Interest payable annually/Interest payable on maturity date
Subordinate bonds	8,366,053	10,948,293	3 years	4.60%–5.80% fixed rate	Interest payable annually
Micro bonds ⁽⁶⁾	6,680,720	6,681,493	3 years	3.60%–3.70% fixed rate	Interest payable annually
Mid-term SGD notes	1,883,698	4,955,659	4–8 years	3.20%–3.80% fixed rate	Interest payable semi-annually
Euro bonds	3,607,098	4,001,378	5 years	1.625% fixed rate	Interest payable annually
U.S. dollar bonds	255,028	3,290,918	1 year	2.01%–3.10% fixed rate	Interest payable semi-annually
Green financial bonds	—	2,604,768	3 years	5.35% fixed rate	Interest payable annually
Leasing asset-backed securities	—	396,809	6–10 years	5.30% fixed rate and floating rate	Interest payable quarterly
Beneficiary certificates	13,040	31,340	14 days	6.00% fixed rate	Interest payable on maturity date
Total	<u>271,065,213</u>	<u>336,971,821</u>			

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

49. Bonds and notes issued (continued)

- (1) On 13 December 2021, the Company issued RMB24,860 million financial bonds with a 5-year term and annual interest rate of 4.77%. The interests are to be paid annually and the principal is to be repaid upon maturity. There are no prepayment terms.
- (2) As at 31 December 2021, for certain Tier II capital bonds of RMB10,214 million (31 December 2020: RMB10,210 million), the Company has the right to exercise early redemption partially or fully on 29 June 2022. If no early redemption is exercised, the coupon rate of the bonds will remain at 4.95% per annum.
- (3) As at 31 December 2021, for Tier II capital bonds of RMB2,455 million (31 December 2020: RMB2,455 million), Huarong Xiangjiang Bank has the right to exercise early redemption partially or fully on 17 July 2022. If no early redemption is exercised, the coupon rate of the bonds will remain at 5.00% per annum.
- (4) The Company issued asset-backed securities of RMB9,870 million in September 2020. These asset-backed securities are comprised of Class A-1, Class A-2, Class A-3, Class A-4, Class A-5 and Class A-6. The tenure of these securities is 938 days. The coupon rates of these asset-backed securities range from 3.00% to 4.50% per annum.
- (5) The Company issued asset-backed securities of RMB9,545 million in December 2020. These asset-backed securities are comprised of Class A-1, Class A-2, Class A-3, and Class A-4. The tenure of these securities is 678 days. The coupon rates of these asset-backed securities range from 3.58% to 4.25% per annum.
- (6) Huarong Xiangjiang Bank issued 3-year fixed interest rate micro bonds in inter-bank bond markets on 7 March 2019 and 23 April 2019, respectively. The aggregate face value of these bonds was RMB6,500 million and carried interests at 3.60% and 3.70% per annum. Funds subscribed from these issues will be advanced to micro-enterprises to provide financial services to micro-enterprises.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

50. Other liabilities

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Payables to interest holders of consolidated structured entities	36,670,251	68,177,577
Other payables	21,352,695	22,606,227
Guarantee deposits received from customers	17,537,470	19,183,997
Amounts received in advance ⁽¹⁾	8,284,882	8,198,336
Account payable to brokerage clients	6,263,007	5,719,629
Letter of credit	5,428,937	8,560,337
Employee benefits payable ⁽²⁾	4,056,773	4,029,695
Margin deposits received from securities customers	3,991,809	2,769,308
Amounts due to China Trust Protection Fund	2,550,000	2,550,000
Sundry taxes payable	1,020,668	1,179,011
Provisions ⁽³⁾	465,761	3,938,432
Dividends payable	191,235	4,312,345
Bills payable	147,336	187,500
Others	1,517,742	678,222
Total	<u>109,478,566</u>	<u>152,090,616</u>

(1) Amounts received in advance mainly included deposits received in respect of advances payment relating to the Company's sales of distressed assets.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

50. Other liabilities (continued)

(2) Employee benefits payable

	2021				As at 31 December
	As at 1 January	Increase in the current year	Decrease in the current year	Transfer to liabilities of a disposal group classified as held for sale	
Wages or salaries, bonuses, allowances and subsidies	2,761,989	2,926,000	(3,027,889)	(22,056)	2,638,044
Social insurance	39,527	203,618	(206,039)	(335)	36,771
Housing funds	3,925	280,969	(281,679)	—	3,215
Staff welfare	8,266	329,129	(334,719)	—	2,676
Defined benefit plans ⁽ⁱ⁾	352,607	35,758	(57,024)	—	331,341
Labour union fees and staff education expenses	347,660	127,849	(86,645)	(3,525)	385,339
Defined contribution plans	75,976	789,048	(648,085)	—	216,939
— Basic pension insurance	36,631	538,729	(368,436)	—	206,924
— Unemployment insurance	3,786	12,446	(12,835)	—	3,397
— Annuity contribution	35,559	237,873	(266,814)	—	6,618
Others	439,745	201,539	(198,836)	—	442,448
Total	4,029,695	4,893,910	(4,840,916)	(25,916)	4,056,773

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

50. Other liabilities (continued)

(2) Employee benefits payable (continued)

	2020			As at 31 December
	As at 1 January	Increase in the current year	Decrease in the current year	
Wages or salaries, bonuses, allowances and subsidies	2,847,815	3,158,000	(3,243,826)	2,761,989
Social insurance	93,722	166,656	(220,851)	39,527
Housing funds	5,489	273,431	(274,995)	3,925
Staff welfare	7,287	322,618	(321,639)	8,266
Defined benefit plans ⁽ⁱ⁾	336,859	64,773	(49,025)	352,607
Labour union fees and staff education expenses	325,034	133,292	(110,666)	347,660
Defined contribution plans	102,639	433,606	(460,269)	75,976
— Basic pension insurance	33,318	151,020	(147,707)	36,631
— Unemployment insurance	8,506	4,267	(8,987)	3,786
— Annuity contribution	60,815	278,319	(303,575)	35,559
Others	349,027	209,775	(119,057)	439,745
Total	4,067,872	4,762,151	(4,800,328)	4,029,695

(i) Defined benefit plans

As at 31 December 2021, the actuarial liabilities existing in relation to the retirement benefit obligations for employees were RMB331 million (31 December 2020: RMB353 million), using the projected unit credit method.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

50. Other liabilities (continued)

(2) Employee benefits payable (continued)

(i) Defined benefit plans (continued)

Principal actuarial assumptions used are as follows:

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Discount rate — post-employment benefits	3.00%	3.25%
Discount rate — termination benefits	2.50%	2.75%
Annual increase rate of annuity compensation benefits for Pre-existing Retirees	4.00%	4.00%
Annual increase rate of yearly allowance benefits for Pre-existing Retirees	4.00%	4.00%
Annual increase rate of medical reimbursement and supplemental medical insurance benefits for Pre-existing Retirees	4.00%	4.00%
Annual increase rate of lump-sum death benefits for Pre-existing Retirees	4.00%	4.00%
Annual increase rate of basic salary for current internal retirees	4.00%	4.00%
Annual increase rate of social insurance and housing fund contributions for current internal retirees	4.00%	4.00%

The assumption of future mortality is based on China Life Insurance Mortality Table (2010–2013) — CL5/CL6.

(3) The movement of the loss allowance during the year in credit commitment and financial guarantee contracts are as follows:

	2021	2020
As at 1 January	3,938,432	150,340
Charge for the year	(929,748)	3,788,092
Transfer out	(2,613,416)	—
As at 31 December	<u>395,268</u>	<u>3,938,432</u>

Provisions are also made by the Group relating to litigation claims on the Group's entities. As at 31 December 2021, total amount of provisions arising from legal actions of the Group was RMB70.49 million (31 December 2020: Nil).

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

51. Share capital of the Company

	For the year ended 31 December		
	2021	2020	
Authorised, issued and fully paid			
At the beginning of the year	39,070,208	39,070,208	
Issue of shares	41,176,471	—	
At the end of the year	80,246,679	39,070,208	
	2021		
	As at 1 January	Issuance	As at 31 December
Registered, issued and fully paid			
Domestic shares	14,026,355	39,215,687	53,242,042
H shares	25,043,853	1,960,784	27,004,637
Total	39,070,208	41,176,471	80,246,679
	2020		
	As at 1 January	Issuance	As at 31 December
Registered, issued and fully paid			
Domestic shares	14,026,355	—	14,026,355
H shares	25,043,853	—	25,043,853
Total	39,070,208	—	39,070,208

As at 31 December 2021, 18,823,529 thousand of the Company's domestic shares and 1,960,784 thousand of the Company's H shares were subject to lock-up restrictions.

On 30 December 2021, the Company completed the non-public issuance of 39,215,686 thousand of domestic shares under a specific mandate at RMB1.02 per share and the price is to be paid up in RMB; On 30 December 2021, the Company completed the non-public issuance of 1,960,784 thousand of H shares under a specific mandate at HKD equivalent of RMB1.02 per share and the price is to be paid up in Hong Kong Dollars. This non-public share issuance had been verified by Ernst & Young Hua Ming LLP on 11 January 2022 with a verification report, Ernst & Young Hua Ming (2022) Yan Zi No. 60098698_A01.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

52. Capital reserve

The balance of capital reserve mainly represents share premium arising from the Company's initial public offering of H shares and other share issuances in the current year and prior years.

53. Surplus reserve

Under PRC Laws, the Company and its domestic subsidiaries are required to transfer 10% of their net profit determined under the PRC Generally Accepted Accounting Principles to a non-distributable statutory surplus reserve. Appropriation to the statutory surplus reserve may cease when the balance of such reserve has reached 50% of the share capital of the respective entity.

The surplus reserve of the Group disclosed represents only the surplus reserve appropriated by the Company.

54. General reserve

Starting from 1 July 2012, pursuant to the Administrative Measures for the Provision of Reserves of Financial Enterprises (Caijin [2012] No. 20) issued by the MOF, a financial enterprise is required to maintain a general reserve within equity, through the appropriation of profit determined under the PRC Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, at no less than 1.5% of its risk assets at the end of the reporting period. A financial enterprise is allowed to comply with this requirement over a period of 5 years, if it is not probable to achieve the 1.5% requirement immediately.

Pursuant to this regulatory requirement in the PRC, some domestic subsidiaries of the Company are required to transfer certain amount of net profit to general reserve. The appropriation of the general reserve is accounted for as distribution of retained earnings.

For the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group transferred RMB47 million to general reserve (2020: RMB1,161 million). For the year ended 31 December 2021, the Company did not transfer any amount to general reserve (2020: RMB1,085 million).

55. Other reserves

The investment revaluation reserve represents cumulative gains and losses arising on the revaluation of equity instruments at FVOCI and debt instruments at FVOCI that have been recognised in other comprehensive income, net of amounts reclassified to profit or loss when those equity instruments at FVOCI and debt instruments at FVOCI are disposed of or are determined to be impaired.

The hedging reserve represents the cumulative effective portion of gains and losses arising on changes in fair value of hedging instruments entered into for cash flow hedges. The cumulative gain and loss arising on changes in fair value of the hedging instrument that are recognised and accumulated under the heading of other reserves will be reclassified to profit or loss when the hedged transaction affects the profit or loss, or is included as a basis adjustment to the non-financial hedged item, consistent with the relevant accounting policy or when the hedged forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

56. Perpetual capital instruments

Movement of the perpetual capital instruments is as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Distribution</u>	<u>Total</u>
Balance at 1 January 2020	18,062,407	368,169	18,430,576
Increase in perpetual capital instruments	6,994,560	—	6,994,560
Profit attributable to holders of perpetual capital instruments	—	811,336	811,336
Distribution to holders of perpetual capital instruments	—	(760,594)	(760,594)
Balance at 31 December 2020	<u>25,056,967</u>	<u>418,911</u>	<u>25,475,878</u>
Decrease in perpetual capital instruments	(3,345,465)	—	(3,345,465)
Profit attributable to holders of perpetual capital instruments	—	1,219,190	1,219,190
Distribution to holders of perpetual capital instruments	—	(971,695)	(971,695)
Balance at 31 December 2021	<u>21,711,502</u>	<u>666,406</u>	<u>22,377,908</u>

There is no maturity of the instruments and the payments of distribution can be deferred at the discretion of the issuers. The perpetual capital instruments are callable. When the issuers and/or the guarantors elect to declare dividends, the distribution to the holders of perpetual capital instruments shall be made at the distribution rate as defined in the subscription agreements.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

57. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents with original maturity of less than 3 months comprise the following balances:

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Deposits with financial institutions	142,429,301	117,871,917
Placements with financial institutions	19,527,691	3,699,049
Financial assets held under resale agreements	8,507,283	7,401,783
Balances with central bank	8,144,022	3,701,384
Cash at banks and short-term deposits attributable to discontinued operations	534,800	—
Cash on hand	494,126	480,745
Total	<u>179,637,223</u>	<u>133,154,878</u>

58. Contingent liabilities

Legal proceedings

The Company and its subsidiaries are involved as defendants in certain lawsuits arising from their normal business operations. As at 31 December 2021, total claim amount of pending litigations was RMB6,037 million (31 December 2020: RMB610 million) for the Group, and RMB70.49 million provision (31 December 2020: Nil) for the Group was made based on court judgements or the advice of legal counsels. The directors of the Company believe that the final result of these lawsuits will not have a material impact on the financial position or operations of the Group.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

59. Commitments

(1) Credit enhancement

As at 31 December 2021, the Group did not provide credit enhancement for counterparties involving in borrowing arrangements (31 December 2020: Nil).

(2) Credit commitments

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Bank bill acceptance	18,144,610	17,154,405
Undrawn credit card commitments	8,697,633	7,788,812
Loan commitments	2,854,651	3,525,969
Letters of credit issued	3,140,574	2,428,255
Letters of guarantee issued	319,540	485,424
Total	33,157,008	31,382,865

These credit commitments mainly arise from the banking business of the Group.

Impairment allowance of RMB80 million was made for credit commitments as at 31 December 2021 (31 December 2020: RMB158 million).

(3) Other commitments

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Contracted but not provided for — Commitments for the acquisition of intangible assets, property and equipment	116,788	229,951

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

60. Transfers of financial assets

Repurchase agreements

The Group entered into sales agreements with certain counterparties on its financial assets, in which the Group was subject to simultaneous agreements with commitments to repurchase these financial assets at specified future dates and prices. As stipulated in the repurchase agreements, there is no transfer of legal ownership of these financial assets to the counterparties during the covered period. However, the Group is not allowed to sell or pledge these financial assets during the covered period unless both parties mutually agree with such arrangement. Accordingly, the Group has determined that it retains substantially all the risks and rewards of these financial assets and therefore these financial assets have not been derecognised from the financial statements but regarded as “collateral” for the secured lending from the counterparties. Normally, the counterparties could only claim from the collateral when there exists an event of default on the secured lending.

	Carrying amount of pledged assets		Related liabilities	
	As at 31 December		As at 31 December	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
Loans and advances to customers	20,027,447	—	20,196,972	—
Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	9,749,795	12,259,809	5,704,861	8,831,774
Debt instruments at amortised cost	4,595,470	6,092,822	4,226,429	5,864,738
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	756,812	1,193,749	737,960	850,936
Total	35,129,524	19,546,380	30,866,222	15,547,448

Asset-backed securities

The Group enters into securitization transactions in the normal course of business by which it transfers credit assets to special purpose trusts which in turn issue asset-backed securities to investors. The Group assessed, among other factors, whether or not to derecognize the transferred assets by evaluating the extent to which it retains the risks and rewards of the assets and whether it has relinquished its control over these assets.

With respect to the securitization of financial assets that do not qualify for derecognition, the relevant financial assets are not derecognised, and the consideration paid by third parties is recorded as a financial liability. As at 31 December 2021, the Group’s carrying amount of transferred assets that did not qualify for derecognition was RMB5,697 million (31 December 2020: RMB20,273 million), and the carrying amount of their associated liabilities amounted to RMB6,300 million (31 December 2020: RMB19,629 million).

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

60. Transfers of financial assets (continued)

Asset-backed securities (continued)

With respect to the securitization of financial assets that qualified for derecognition, the Group derecognized the transferred financial assets in their entirety. As at 31 December 2021, the Group's carrying amount of transferred assets that qualify for derecognition was RMB61 million (31 December 2020: RMB68 million).

61. Related party transactions

(1) The MOF

As at 31 December 2021, the MOF directly owned 27.76% (31 December 2020: 57.02%) of share capital of the Company including domestic shares and H shares.

The MOF is one of the ministries under the State Council, primarily responsible for state fiscal revenue and expenditures, and taxation policies. The entities controlled by the MOF are mainly financial institutions.

The Group has the following balances and entered into the following transactions with the MOF. These transactions were entered into in the normal course of business, with pricing policies consistent with those transactions conducted with independent third parties.

The Group had the following balances with the MOF:

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Debt instruments at amortised cost	11,488,140	11,298,682
Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	5,166,157	3,705,254
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	3,049,836	587,032
Dividends payable	—	4,180,733
Other assets	152,008	151,044
Other payables	12,348	12,348

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

61. Related party transactions (continued)

(1) The MOF (continued)

The Group had the following transactions with the MOF:

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Interest income	82,544	436,153
Fair value changes on other financial assets and liabilities	6,052	35,333

(2) Shareholders holding 5% and more than 5% of the Company's share capital

As at 31 December 2021, CITIC Group owned 23.46% of share capital of the Company, and China Insurance Rongxin Private Fund Co., Ltd. ("China Insurance Rongxin Fund") owned 18.08% of share capital of the Company. Transactions between the Group and these shareholders were carried out under normal commercial terms, in ordinary course of business and priced at market rate.

The Group had the following balances with CITIC Group:

	As at 31 December 2021
Borrowings	32,280,470
Deposits with financial institutions	1,974,425
Bonds and notes issued	451,000
Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	302,237
Other assets	100,698
Deposits from financial institutions	25,165
Debt instruments at amortised cost	9,899
Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements	5,000
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	2,412
Other liabilities	2,256,288

As at 31 December 2021, the Group had no related party transaction with China Insurance Rongxin Fund.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

61. Related party transactions (continued)

(3) Government related entities

Other than those disclosed above, the Group also entered into transactions with government related entities. These transactions are entered into under normal commercial terms and conditions.

Management of the Group considers that transactions with government related entities are activities conducted in the ordinary course of business, and that the dealings of the Group have not been significantly or unduly affected by the fact that both the Group and those entities are government related. The Group has also established pricing policies for products and services and such pricing policies do not depend on whether or not the customers are government related entities.

(4) Associates and joint ventures

The Group had the following balances and entered into the following transactions with associates and joint ventures. These transactions were entered into in the normal course of business, with pricing policies consistent with those transactions conducted with independent third parties.

The Group had the following balances with associates and joint ventures:

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	—	45,577
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	132,076	—
Debt instruments at amortised cost	2,264,713	431,495
Trade receivables	8,356	5,211
Other assets	524,756	1,073,903
Other liabilities	85,035	82,550

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

61. Related party transactions (continued)

(4) Associates and joint ventures (continued)

The Group had the following transactions with associates and joint ventures:

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Interest income	160,188	103,625
Other income and other net gains or losses	12,068	—
Commission and fee income	2,838	9,331
Rental income	—	1,492
Operating expenses	556	313

Trust asset management:

As at 31 December 2021, associates and joint ventures did not hold a trust issued by the Group (31 December 2020: Nil).

(5) Annuity Scheme

The Company and certain other entities within the Group have the following transactions with the Annuity Schemes set up within the Group:

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Contribution to Annuity Scheme	176,000	165,605

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

61. Related party transactions (continued)

(6) Key management personnel

Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Group, directly or indirectly.

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Emoluments of key management personnel		
— Fees	1,442	1,361
— Salaries and other benefits	3,765	3,704
— Employer's contribution to pension scheme	508	351
— Discretionary and performance related incentive payments	2,373	2,392
Total (before tax)	8,088	7,808

The total compensation packages for the above key management personnel for the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 have not yet been finalised in accordance with regulations of the relevant authorities in the PRC.

The number of key management personnel whose emoluments fall within the following bands is as follows:

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Nil to HKD500,000	13	20
HKD500,001 to HKD1,000,000	7	8
HKD1,000,001 to HKD1,500,000	2	—
Total	22	28

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management

Overview

The Group's primary objectives of risk management are to ensure (1) the prudent operation and sound business development of the Group; (2) the execution of significant decisions to achieve business targets and ensure operational efficiency; and (3) that risk parameters are managed within a range consistent with the Group's strategies and business targets. Based on this, the Group has refined a particular philosophy of risk management culture and established a risk management model and an organisational structure. The Group regularly reviews and revises its risk management policies and systems to reflect changes in markets, products and emerging best practices.

The most significant types of risk to the Group include credit risk, market risk, liquidity risk and distressed assets risk. Market risk includes interest rate risk, foreign exchange risk and other price risk.

Risk management framework

The Board of Directors is responsible for establishing the overall risk appetite of the Group and reviewing and approving the risk management objectives and strategies. The Board has established Risk Management Committee, which is responsible for developing and monitoring the Group's risk strategy and risk management policies and evaluating the Group's overall risk exposures regularly.

Within this framework, the Group's senior management has overall responsibility for managing all aspects of risk, including implementing risk management strategies, initiatives and credit policies and approving internal policies, measures and procedures relating to risk management. Risk Management Department and other relevant functional units are responsible for monitoring financial risks.

62.1 Credit risk

Credit risk represents the potential loss that may arise from a customer or counterparty's failure to meet its obligations. Credit risk can also arise from operational failures that result in an unauthorised or inappropriate advance, commitment or investment of funds. Credit risk mainly arises from loans and advances to customers, finance lease receivables, debt instruments at FVOCI and debt instruments at amortised cost. The Group considers all elements of credit risk exposure such as counterparty default risk, geographical risk and sector risk for risk management purposes. The nature of credit risk of distressed debt assets classified as debt instruments at amortised cost, debt instruments at FVOCI and financial assets at FVTPL is similar to those mentioned above. Risk management of the distressed assets is detailed in Note V.62.4 together with other types of distressed assets.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(i) Credit risk management

The Group manages the Group's credit risk through the following processes:

- Ensuring that the Group has appropriate credit risk practices, including an effective system of internal control, to consistently determine adequate allowances in accordance with the Group's stated policies and procedures, and relevant supervisory guidance.
- Monitoring, identifying, assessing, measuring, reporting, controlling and mitigating credit risk across the Group, from an individual instrument to a portfolio level.
- Creating credit policies to protect the Group against the identified risks including the requirements to obtain collateral from borrowers, to perform robust ongoing credit assessment of borrowers and to continually monitor exposures against internal risk limits.
- Establishing a robust control framework regarding the authorisation structure for the approval and renewal of credit facilities.
- Developing and maintaining the Group's processes for measuring ECL including monitoring of credit risk, incorporation of forward looking information and the method used to measure ECL.
- Ensuring that the Group has policies and procedures in place to appropriately maintain and validate models used to assess and measure ECL.

(ii) Significant increase in credit risk

The Group monitors all financial assets, contract assets, credit enhancement and credit commitments that are subject to impairment requirements to assess whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. If there has been a significant increase in credit risk the Group will measure the loss allowance based on lifetime rather than 12-month ECL.

Internal credit risk ratings

In order to minimise credit risk, the Group has developed and maintained the Group's credit risk grading to categorise exposures according to their degree of risk of default. The Group's credit risk grading framework comprises 14 categories. The credit rating information is based on a range of data that is determined to be predictive of the risk of default and applying experienced credit judgement. The nature of the exposure and type of borrower are taken into account in the analysis. Credit risk grades are defined using qualitative and quantitative factors that are indicative of risk of default.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(ii) Significant increase in credit risk (continued)

Internal credit risk ratings (continued)

The credit risk grades are designed and calibrated to reflect the risk of default as credit risk deteriorates. As the credit risk increases the difference in risk of default between grades changes. Each exposure is allocated to a credit risk grade at initial recognition, based on the available information about the counterparty. All exposures are monitored and the credit risk grade is updated to reflect current information. The monitoring procedures followed are both general and tailored to the type of exposure.

The following data are typically used to monitor the Group's exposures:

- Changes in business, financial and economic conditions;
- Credit rating information supplied by external rating agencies;
- Information obtained by periodic review of customer files including audited financial statements review, market data such as prices of quoted bonds where available, changes in the financial sector the customer operates etc.

The Group uses credit risk grades as a primary input into the determination of the term structure of the PD for exposures. The Group collects performance and default information about its credit risk exposures analysed by jurisdiction or region and by type of product and borrower as well as by credit risk grading. The information used is both internal and external depending on the portfolio assessed.

The Group analyses all data collected using statistical models and estimates the remaining lifetime PD of exposures and how these are expected to change over time. The factors taken into account in this process include macro-economic data such as GDP growth, consumer price index, and producer price index. The Group generates a 'base case' scenario of the future direction of relevant economic variables as well as a representative range of other possible forecast scenarios. The Group then uses these forecasts, which are probability-weighted, to adjust its estimates of PDs.

The Group uses different criteria to determine whether credit risk has increased significantly per portfolio of assets. The criteria used are both quantitative changes in PDs as well as qualitative.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(ii) Significant increase in credit risk (continued)

Internal credit risk ratings (continued)

The Group considers credit risk has significantly increased if there is:

- Overdue principal or interests by more than 30 days; or
- Significant downgrade in internal rating or external rating; or
- Extension period exceeds 90 days; or
- Significant adverse changes in the operation or financial situation of the issuer or debtor.

(iii) Incorporation of forward-looking information

The Group uses forward-looking information that is available without undue cost or effort in its assessment of significant increase of credit risk as well as in its measurement of ECL. The Group employs external and internal information to generate different scenarios of future forecast of relevant economic variables. In 2021, the macro-economic factors used in the Group's forward-looking model are the year-on-year growth rate of GDP (at constant prices) on the quarterly basis, the year-on-year growth rate of M2, the growth rate of accumulated value added of the Industry and the purchasing managers' index. The forecasts for year-on-year growth rate of GDP (at constant prices) on the quarterly basis under the baseline scenario is approximately 6% in the expected credit loss measurement model. The Group has considered the COVID-19 impact on the macroeconomy when evaluating the forward-looking information used in the expected credit loss measurement model in 2021.

(iv) Measurement of ECL

The key inputs used for measuring ECL are:

- probability of default (PD);
- loss given default (LGD); and
- exposure at default (EAD).

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(iv) Measurement of ECL (continued)

As explained above these figures are generally derived from internally developed statistical models and other historical data and they are adjusted to reflect probability-weighted forward-looking information.

PD is an estimate of the likelihood of default over a given time horizon. It is estimated as at a point in time. The calculation is based on statistical rating models, and assessed using rating tools tailored to the various categories of counterparties and exposures. These statistical models are based on market data (where available), as well as internal data comprising both quantitative and qualitative factors. PDs are estimated considering the contractual maturities of exposures and estimated prepayment rates. The estimation is based on current conditions, adjusted to take into account estimates of future conditions that will impact PD.

LGD is an estimate of the loss arising on default. It is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due and those that the lender would expect to receive, taking into account cash flows from any collateral. The LGD models for secured assets consider forecasts of future collateral valuation taking into account sale discounts, time to realisation of collateral, cross-collateralisation and seniority of claim, cost of realisation of collateral and cure rates (i.e. exit from non-performing status). LGD models for unsecured assets consider time of recovery, recovery rates and seniority of claims. The calculation is on a discounted cash flow basis, where the cash flows are discounted by the original effective interest rate of the loan.

EAD is an estimate of the exposure at a future default date, taking into account expected changes in the exposure after the reporting date, including repayments of principal and interest, and expected drawdowns on committed facilities. The Group's modelling approach for EAD reflects expected changes in the balance outstanding over the lifetime of the loan exposure that are permitted by the current contractual terms, such as amortisation profiles, early repayment or overpayment, changes in utilisation of undrawn commitments and credit mitigation actions taken before default. The Group uses EAD models that reflect the characteristics of the portfolios.

The measurement of ECL is based on probability weighted average credit loss. As a result, the measurement of the loss allowance should be the same regardless of whether it is measured on an individual basis or a collective basis (although measurement on a collective basis is more practical for large portfolios of items). In relation to the assessment of whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk it can be necessary to perform the assessment on a collective basis as noted below.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(v) Grouping based on shared risks characteristics

When ECL is measured on a collective basis, the financial instruments are grouped on the basis of shared risk characteristics, such as:

- instrument type;
- credit risk grade;
- collateral type;
- industry;
- geographic location of the borrower; and
- the value of collateral relative to the financial asset if it has an impact on the probability of a default occurring (loan-to-value (LTV) ratios).

The groupings are reviewed on a regular basis to ensure that each group is comprised of homogenous exposures.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(vi) Risk concentration of distressed debt assets at amortised cost and at FVOCI, loans and advances to customers and finance lease receivables

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Distressed debt assets at amortised cost	309,823,381	357,196,301
Loans and advances to customers	255,272,671	240,166,341
Distressed debt assets at FVOCI	23,030,955	36,654,337
Finance lease receivables	26,275,581	42,696,398
Subtotal	614,402,588	676,713,377
Allowance for ECL		
Distressed debt assets at amortised cost	(40,500,001)	(40,896,735)
Loans and advances to customers measured at amortised cost	(8,108,668)	(7,666,162)
Finance lease receivables	(2,721,514)	(2,899,698)
Subtotal	(51,330,183)	(51,462,595)
Net carrying amount		
Distressed debt assets at amortised cost	269,323,380	316,299,566
Loans and advances to customers	247,164,003	232,500,179
Distressed debt assets at FVOCI	23,030,955	36,654,337
Finance lease receivables	23,554,067	39,796,700
Total	563,072,405	625,250,782

For financial assets at FVOCI (including distressed debt assets and loans and advances to customers) disclosed above, no loss allowance is recognised as the carrying amount is measured at fair value. The loss allowances from those financial assets were recognised in impairment losses on financial assets and OCI. As at 31 December 2021, the loss allowance of distressed debt assets at FVOCI and the loans and advances to customers at FVOCI were RMB8,165 million (31 December 2020: RMB8,722 million) and RMB5 million (31 December 2020: RMB2 million), respectively.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(vi) Risk concentration of distressed debt assets at amortised cost and at FVOCI, loans and advances to customers and finance lease receivables (continued)

Analysed by geographical area

Area	As at 31 December			
	2021		2020	
	Gross amount	%	Gross amount	%
Central Region	329,228,035	53.5	328,057,326	48.5
Western Region	98,127,221	16.0	118,406,961	17.5
Yangtze River Delta	66,326,758	10.8	80,661,012	11.9
Pearl River Delta	53,324,804	8.7	61,558,156	9.1
Bohai Rim	49,151,880	8.0	65,066,105	9.6
Northeastern Region	15,935,006	2.6	20,227,016	3.0
Overseas	2,308,884	0.4	2,736,801	0.4
Total	<u>614,402,588</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>676,713,377</u>	<u>100.0</u>

Notes:

Central Region:	Including Shanxi, Henan, Hunan, Hubei, Anhui, Jiangxi, Hainan.
Western Region:	Including Chongqing, Sichuan, Guizhou, Yunnan, Shaanxi, Guangxi, Gansu, Qinghai, Xinjiang, Ningxia, Inner Mongolia, Tibet.
Yangtze River Delta:	Including Shanghai, Jiangsu, Zhejiang.
Pearl River Delta:	Including Guangdong, Fujian.
Bohai Rim:	Including Beijing, Tianjin, Hebei, Shandong.
Northeastern Region:	Including Liaoning, Jilin and Heilongjiang.
Overseas:	Including all regions outside Mainland China.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(vi) Risk concentration of distressed debt assets at amortised cost and at FVOCI, loans and advances to customers and finance lease receivables (continued)

Analysed by industry

	As at 31 December			
	2021		2020	
	Gross amount	%	Gross amount	%
Corporate business				
Real estate	166,381,601	27.1	213,832,244	31.5
Water, environment and public utilities management	67,515,134	11.0	77,126,100	11.4
Manufacturing	52,414,311	8.5	61,928,999	9.2
Construction	50,142,490	8.2	47,380,800	7.0
Leasing and commercial services	41,801,832	6.8	45,987,669	6.8
Wholesale and retail trade	37,264,448	6.1	40,092,104	5.9
Bill to discount	36,874,793	6.0	14,162,395	2.1
Production and supply of power, heat, gas and water	10,440,230	1.7	18,958,761	2.8
Transportation, logistics and postal services	9,837,710	1.6	11,951,907	1.8
Mining	7,603,760	1.2	8,388,973	1.2
Others	40,787,028	6.6	34,936,230	5.2
Subtotal	521,063,337	84.8	574,746,182	84.9
Personal business				
Mortgages	37,562,809	6.1	31,664,886	4.7
Personal consumption loans	33,715,168	5.5	35,059,313	5.2
Loans for business operations	17,595,514	2.9	28,671,044	4.2
Others	2,171	0.0	2,480,609	0.4
Subtotal	88,875,662	14.5	97,875,852	14.5
Loans to margin clients	4,463,589	0.7	4,091,343	0.6
Total	614,402,588	100.0	676,713,377	100.0

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(vi) Risk concentration of distressed debt assets at amortised cost and at FVOCI, loans and advances to customers and finance lease receivables (continued)

By contractual maturity and security type

	Gross amount as at 31 December 2021				Gross amount as at 31 December 2020			
	Up to 1 year	1 to 5 years	Over 5 years	Total	Up to 1 year	1 to 5 years	Over 5 years	Total
Unsecured	32,386,621	21,732,738	4,945,949	59,065,308	45,220,900	24,881,387	8,070,064	78,172,351
Guaranteed	13,782,014	47,713,104	16,734,839	78,229,957	14,469,407	46,553,130	22,452,206	83,474,743
Collateralised	28,965,877	286,030,524	78,613,325	393,609,726	28,070,199	361,287,797	66,129,031	455,487,027
Pledged	44,938,311	30,266,563	8,292,723	83,497,597	19,164,500	33,020,810	7,393,946	59,579,256
Total	120,072,823	385,742,929	108,586,836	614,402,588	106,925,006	465,743,124	104,045,247	676,713,377

(vii) Past due distressed debt assets at amortised cost and at FVOCI, loans and advances to customers and finance lease receivables

	Gross amount as at 31 December 2021					Past due amount as a % of total gross amount	Gross amount as at 31 December 2020					Past due amount as a % of total gross amount
	Past due up to 90 days	Past due 91 to 360 days	Past due 361 days to 3 years	Past due Over 3 years	Past due Total		Past due up to 90 days	Past due 91 to 360 days	Past due 361 days to 3 years	Past due Over 3 years	Past due Total	
Distressed debt assets at amortised cost	15,355,704	17,399,769	15,274,062	17,850,456	65,879,991	21.3	8,801,888	5,455,002	26,387,539	6,342,973	46,987,402	13.2
Distressed debt assets at FVOCI	1,585,830	1,541,796	3,503,700	1,008,970	7,640,296	33.2	1,452,581	1,612,734	3,862,719	211,469	7,139,503	19.5
Loans and advances to customers	1,737,329	2,329,964	1,329,303	331,425	5,728,021	2.2	2,328,110	2,244,600	2,379,361	171,703	7,123,774	3.0
Finance lease receivables	585,375	707,636	754,532	265,154	2,312,697	8.8	1,407,998	693,207	1,484,370	582,565	4,168,140	9.8
Total	19,264,238	21,979,165	20,861,597	19,456,005	81,561,005	13.3	13,990,577	10,005,543	34,113,989	7,308,710	65,418,819	9.7

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(viii) Maximum credit risk exposure without taking into account any collateral or other credit enhancements

The maximum exposure to credit risk represents the credit risk exposure per class of financial assets to the Group at the end of the reporting period without taking into account any collateral held or other credit enhancements. The exposure to credit risk mainly arises from distressed debt assets acquired from financial institutions and non-financial institutions, loans and advances to customers, finance lease receivables, investment securities, and treasury operations of its banking activities. For loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts, the amounts represent the amounts committed or guaranteed, respectively.

At the end of the reporting period, maximum exposure to credit risk is as follows:

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Balances with central bank	23,458,747	22,327,617
Deposits with financial institutions	146,698,257	123,875,031
Placements with financial institutions	19,685,761	5,740,804
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	107,797,366	106,862,458
Financial assets held under resale agreements	11,044,271	15,224,623
Loans and advances to customers	247,164,003	232,500,179
Finance lease receivables	23,554,067	39,796,700
Debt instruments at FVOCI	57,203,624	83,106,848
Debt instruments at amortised cost	580,799,434	656,048,582
Assets held for sale	6,866,245	—
Other assets	14,318,972	14,698,156
Subtotal	1,238,590,747	1,300,180,998
Credit commitments	33,157,008	31,382,865
Total	1,271,747,755	1,331,563,863

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(viii) Maximum credit risk exposure without taking into account any collateral or other credit enhancements (continued)

Distressed debt assets at FVTPL may contain certain elements of credit risk. The risks that such assets are exposed to are detailed in Note V. 62.4. The carrying amount of distressed debt assets at FVTPL amounted to RMB182,087 million for the Group as at 31 December 2021 (31 December 2020: RMB189,057 million).

(ix) Credit quality

(1) Loss allowance

The table below summarises the loss allowance as of the year end by class of assets.

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Debt instruments at amortised cost	126,468,529	133,033,902
Debt instruments at FVOCI	11,199,494	11,220,134
Loans and advances to customers	8,113,848	7,668,219
Finance lease receivables	2,721,514	2,899,698
Financial assets held under resale agreements	2,627,435	6,555,511
Credit commitments and financial guarantee contracts	395,268	3,938,432
Total	<u>151,526,088</u>	<u>165,315,896</u>

No loss allowance is recognised in the statement of financial position for debt instruments at FVOCI as the carrying amount is at fair value.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(ix) Credit quality (continued)

(2) Movements of loss allowance

The tables below analyse the movement of the loss allowance during the year per class of assets.

Loans and advances to customers

	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 Lifetime ECL	Stage 3 Lifetime ECL	Total
As at 1 January 2020	1,952,119	873,329	4,039,145	6,864,593
Changes in the loss allowance				
— Transfer to Stage 1	40,028	(36,489)	(3,539)	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(135,316)	156,071	(20,755)	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(23,245)	(247,197)	270,442	—
— Charge for the year	959,100	880,320	5,058,505	6,897,925
— Reversal for the year	(777,582)	(322,557)	(1,435,592)	(2,535,731)
— Write-offs	—	—	(3,347,999)	(3,347,999)
— Others	(107)	(613)	(209,849)	(210,569)
As at 31 December 2020	<u>2,014,997</u>	<u>1,302,864</u>	<u>4,350,358</u>	<u>7,668,219</u>
Changes in the loss allowance				
— Transfer to Stage 1	107,361	(104,871)	(2,490)	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(20,569)	30,234	(9,665)	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(670,088)	(445,408)	1,115,496	—
— Charge for the year	435,732	1,767,412	4,401,748	6,604,892
— Reversal for the year	(695,942)	(329,202)	(477,138)	(1,502,282)
— Write-offs	—	—	(4,857,062)	(4,857,062)
— Transfer to assets of a disposal group classified as held for sale	(92,519)	(45,091)	(108,087)	(245,697)
— Others	(2)	—	445,780	445,778
As at 31 December 2021	<u>1,078,970</u>	<u>2,175,938</u>	<u>4,858,940</u>	<u>8,113,848</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(ix) Credit quality (continued)

(2) Movements of loss allowance (continued)

Finance lease receivables

	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 Lifetime ECL	Stage 3 Lifetime ECL	Total
As at 1 January 2020	490,499	488,963	1,827,463	2,806,925
Changes in the loss allowance				
— Transfer to Stage 1	14,401	(14,401)	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(63,348)	82,350	(19,002)	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(568)	(75,969)	76,537	—
— Charge for the year	91,254	303,511	777,828	1,172,593
— Reversal for the year	(312,882)	(66,946)	(103,520)	(483,348)
— Write-offs	—	—	(604,057)	(604,057)
— Others	77,286	(16,963)	(52,738)	7,585
As at 31 December 2020	<u>296,642</u>	<u>700,545</u>	<u>1,902,511</u>	<u>2,899,698</u>
Changes in the loss allowance				
— Transfer to Stage 1	—	—	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(54,864)	54,864	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(2,536)	(443,523)	446,059	—
— Charge for the year	119,728	403,140	473,770	996,638
— Reversal for the year	(165,687)	(47,315)	(78,112)	(291,114)
— Write-offs	—	—	(892,879)	(892,879)
— Others	(2,629)	—	11,800	9,171
As at 31 December 2021	<u>190,654</u>	<u>667,711</u>	<u>1,863,149</u>	<u>2,721,514</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(ix) Credit quality (continued)

(2) Movements of loss allowance (continued)

Debt instruments at FVOCI

	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 Lifetime ECL	Stage 3 Lifetime ECL	Total
As at 1 January 2020	281,940	1,226,499	3,252,762	4,761,201
Changes in the loss allowance				
— Transfer to Stage 1	—	—	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(135,482)	135,482	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(20,851)	(470,027)	490,878	—
— Charge for the year	114,920	1,054,636	7,387,191	8,556,747
— Reversal for the year	(43,933)	(306,034)	(1,112,640)	(1,462,607)
— Others	(27,747)	(118,866)	(488,594)	(635,207)
As at 31 December 2020	<u>168,847</u>	<u>1,521,690</u>	<u>9,529,597</u>	<u>11,220,134</u>
Changes in the loss allowance				
— Transfer to Stage 1	—	—	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(12,261)	41,574	(29,313)	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(36,772)	(333,633)	370,405	—
— Charge for the year	57,407	265,662	2,277,934	2,601,003
— Reversal for the year	(67,773)	(620,348)	(552,808)	(1,240,929)
— Others	(2,620)	(31,471)	(1,346,623)	(1,380,714)
As at 31 December 2021	<u>106,828</u>	<u>843,474</u>	<u>10,249,192</u>	<u>11,199,494</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(ix) Credit quality (continued)

(2) Movements of loss allowance (continued)

Debt instruments at amortised cost

	<u>Stage 1 12-month ECL</u>	<u>Stage 2 Lifetime ECL</u>	<u>Stage 3 Lifetime ECL</u>	<u>Total</u>
As at 1 January 2020	5,701,921	7,085,639	51,151,878	63,939,438
Changes in the loss allowance				
— Transfer to Stage 1	199,738	(199,738)	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(867,330)	1,520,385	(653,055)	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(3,007,951)	(3,727,841)	6,735,792	—
— Charge for the year	4,276,518	3,938,196	73,499,948	81,714,662
— Reversal for the year	(794,204)	(876,305)	(5,572,606)	(7,243,115)
— Write-offs	—	—	(379,848)	(379,848)
— Transfer in and transfer out	(8,782)	139,144	(379,274)	(248,912)
— Unwinding of discount on allowance	—	—	(1,865,978)	(1,865,978)
— Exchange differences and others	(612,632)	(1,945,650)	(324,063)	(2,882,345)
As at 31 December 2020	<u>4,887,278</u>	<u>5,933,830</u>	<u>122,212,794</u>	<u>133,033,902</u>
Changes in the loss allowance				
— Transfer to Stage 1	217,075	(30,142)	(186,933)	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(599,329)	1,015,493	(416,164)	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(1,211,843)	(2,367,937)	3,579,780	—
— Charge for the year	2,235,660	3,078,570	14,387,434	19,701,664
— Reversal for the year	(1,403,450)	(1,577,240)	(6,310,107)	(9,290,797)
— Write-offs	—	—	(3,049,531)	(3,049,531)
— Transfer in and transfer out	(71,144)	(81,889)	(11,237,317)	(11,390,350)
— Unwinding of discount on allowance	—	—	(2,067,706)	(2,067,706)
— Exchange differences and others	(1,553)	(4,786)	(462,314)	(468,653)
As at 31 December 2021	<u>4,052,694</u>	<u>5,965,899</u>	<u>116,449,936</u>	<u>126,468,529</u>

The most significant movements of loss allowance during the year in respect of loan and advances to customers, finance lease receivables, debt instruments at FVOCI and debt instruments at amortised cost arose from transition of financial assets to Stage 3 as a result of deterioration of credit quality of these financial assets.

Changes in assumptions during the year are mainly changes in forward looking information and revision of estimates in probabilities of default by taking into account latest default experience.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(ix) Credit quality (continued)

(3) Changes in gross carry amount of financial assets that contributed to movement of the loss allowance

More information about the significant changes in the gross carrying amount of financial assets during the year that contributed to movement of the loss allowance, is provided at the table below:

Loans and advances to customers

	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 Lifetime ECL	Stage 3 Lifetime ECL	Total
As at 1 January 2020	204,483,036	6,032,310	7,603,554	218,118,900
Changes in the gross amount				
— Transfer to Stage 1	266,258	(262,715)	(3,543)	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(7,093,667)	7,117,072	(23,405)	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(2,880,118)	(1,132,614)	4,012,732	—
— New financial assets originated or purchased	111,392,787	—	—	111,392,787
— Financial assets that have been derecognised	(79,608,172)	(3,511,428)	(2,877,747)	(85,997,347)
— Write-offs	—	—	(3,347,999)	(3,347,999)
As at 31 December 2020	<u>226,560,124</u>	<u>8,242,625</u>	<u>5,363,592</u>	<u>240,166,341</u>
Allowances for impairment loss as at 31 December 2020	<u>2,014,997</u>	<u>1,302,864</u>	<u>4,350,358</u>	<u>7,668,219</u>
As at 1 January 2021	<u>226,560,124</u>	<u>8,242,625</u>	<u>5,363,592</u>	<u>240,166,341</u>
Changes in the gross amount				
— Transfer to Stage 1	586,274	(583,784)	(2,490)	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(7,988,737)	7,998,403	(9,666)	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(3,335,225)	(2,908,058)	6,243,283	—
— New financial assets originated or purchased	119,859,490	—	—	119,859,490
— Financial assets that have been derecognised	(89,445,973)	(2,989,952)	(939,892)	(93,375,817)
— Write-offs	—	—	(4,857,062)	(4,857,062)
— Transfer to assets of a disposal group classified as held for sale	(6,141,628)	(173,783)	(204,870)	(6,520,281)
As at 31 December 2021	<u>240,094,325</u>	<u>9,585,451</u>	<u>5,592,895</u>	<u>255,272,671</u>
Allowances for impairment loss as at 31 December 2021	<u>1,078,970</u>	<u>2,175,938</u>	<u>4,858,940</u>	<u>8,113,848</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(ix) Credit quality (continued)

(3) Changes in gross carry amount of financial assets that contributed to movement of the loss allowance (continued)

Finance lease receivables

	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 Lifetime ECL	Stage 3 Lifetime ECL	Total
As at 1 January 2020	63,696,424	4,676,269	2,474,528	70,847,221
Changes in the gross amount				
— Transfer to Stage 1	110,834	(110,834)	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(2,966,420)	2,995,736	(29,316)	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(648,998)	(1,360,222)	2,009,220	—
— New assets originated or purchased	1,409,386	—	—	1,409,386
— Assets that have been derecognised	(27,631,278)	(822,777)	(502,097)	(28,956,152)
— Write-offs	—	—	(604,057)	(604,057)
As at 31 December 2020	<u>33,969,948</u>	<u>5,378,172</u>	<u>3,348,278</u>	<u>42,696,398</u>
Allowances for impairment loss as at 31 December 2020	<u>296,642</u>	<u>700,545</u>	<u>1,902,511</u>	<u>2,899,698</u>
As at 1 January 2021	<u>33,969,948</u>	<u>5,378,172</u>	<u>3,348,278</u>	<u>42,696,398</u>
Changes in the gross amount				
— Transfer to Stage 1	—	—	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(3,050,830)	3,050,830	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(371,717)	(1,127,755)	1,499,472	—
— New assets originated or purchased	1,708,338	—	—	1,708,338
— Assets that have been derecognised	(15,726,257)	(1,017,303)	(492,716)	(17,236,276)
— Write-offs	—	—	(892,879)	(892,879)
As at 31 December 2021	<u>16,529,482</u>	<u>6,283,944</u>	<u>3,462,155</u>	<u>26,275,581</u>
Allowances for impairment loss as at 31 December 2021	<u>190,654</u>	<u>667,711</u>	<u>1,863,149</u>	<u>2,721,514</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(ix) Credit quality (continued)

(3) Changes in gross carry amount of financial assets that contributed to movement of the loss allowance (continued)

Debt instruments at FVOCI

	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 Lifetime ECL	Stage 3 Lifetime ECL	Total
As at 1 January 2020	65,382,260	30,295,337	8,061,743	103,739,340
Changes in the gross amount				
— Transfer to Stage 1	—	—	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(12,610,295)	12,610,295	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(2,678,412)	(8,939,047)	11,617,459	—
— New financial assets originated or purchased	26,040,886	—	—	26,040,886
— Financial assets that have been derecognised	(28,029,278)	(10,111,445)	(8,532,655)	(46,673,378)
As at 31 December 2020	<u>48,105,161</u>	<u>23,855,140</u>	<u>11,146,547</u>	<u>83,106,848</u>
Allowances for impairment loss as at 31 December 2020	<u>168,847</u>	<u>1,521,690</u>	<u>9,529,597</u>	<u>11,220,134</u>
As at 1 January 2021	<u>48,105,161</u>	<u>23,855,140</u>	<u>11,146,547</u>	<u>83,106,848</u>
Changes in the gross amount				
— Transfer to Stage 1	—	—	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(1,297,440)	1,377,745	(80,305)	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(1,062,955)	(2,566,738)	3,629,693	—
— New financial assets originated or purchased	30,801,164	—	—	30,801,164
— Financial assets that have been derecognised	(40,874,013)	(12,333,239)	(3,497,136)	(56,704,388)
As at 31 December 2021	<u>35,671,917</u>	<u>10,332,908</u>	<u>11,198,799</u>	<u>57,203,624</u>
Allowances for impairment loss as at 31 December 2021	<u>106,828</u>	<u>843,474</u>	<u>10,249,192</u>	<u>11,199,494</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(ix) Credit quality (continued)

(3) Changes in gross carry amount of financial assets that contributed to movement of the loss allowance (continued)

Debt instruments at amortised cost

	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 Lifetime ECL	Stage 3 Lifetime ECL	Total
As at 1 January 2020	497,065,077	71,908,123	137,052,194	706,025,394
Changes in the gross amount				
— Transfer to Stage 1	2,164,297	(2,164,297)	—	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(101,466,117)	106,458,816	(4,992,699)	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(66,384,041)	(45,936,751)	112,320,792	—
— New financial assets originated or purchased	303,029,931	—	—	303,029,931
— Financial assets that have been derecognised	(165,888,021)	(28,994,500)	(24,710,472)	(219,592,993)
— Write-offs	—	—	(379,848)	(379,848)
As at 31 December 2020	<u>468,521,126</u>	<u>101,271,391</u>	<u>219,289,967</u>	<u>789,082,484</u>
Allowances for impairment loss as at 31 December 2020	<u>4,887,278</u>	<u>5,933,830</u>	<u>122,212,794</u>	<u>133,033,902</u>
As at 1 January 2021	<u>468,521,126</u>	<u>101,271,391</u>	<u>219,289,967</u>	<u>789,082,484</u>
Changes in the gross amount				
— Transfer to Stage 1	1,074,337	(595,915)	(478,422)	—
— Transfer to Stage 2	(65,024,901)	66,107,117	(1,082,216)	—
— Transfer to Stage 3	(23,213,382)	(16,519,777)	39,733,159	—
— New financial assets originated or purchased	119,058,472	—	—	119,058,472
— Financial assets that have been derecognised	(128,108,580)	(36,073,263)	(33,641,619)	(197,823,462)
— Write-offs	—	—	(3,049,531)	(3,049,531)
As at 31 December 2021	<u>372,307,072</u>	<u>114,189,553</u>	<u>220,771,338</u>	<u>707,267,963</u>
Allowances for impairment loss as at 31 December 2021	<u>4,052,694</u>	<u>5,965,899</u>	<u>116,449,936</u>	<u>126,468,529</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(ix) Credit quality (continued)

(4) Modified financial assets

A modification or re-negotiation of a contract between the Group and a counterparty may result in a change to the contractual cash flows without resulting in the derecognition of the financial assets. Such restructuring activities include extended payment term arrangements, repayment schedule modifications and changes to the interest settlement method. The risk of default of such assets after modification is assessed at the reporting date and compared with the risk under the original terms at initial recognition, when the modification is not substantial and so does not result in derecognition of the original asset and the book value of the financial asset is recalculated and the related gain or loss is included in current profit or loss. The recalculated book value of the financial asset is determined based on the present value of the contractual cash flows following the renegotiation or modification, as calculated using the original effective interest rate of the financial asset.

The Group monitors the subsequent performance of modified assets. The Group may determine that the credit risk has significantly improved after restructuring, so that the assets are moved from Stage 3 or Stage 2 to Stage 1. The adjustment of the modified assets can only be made after meeting specified criteria throughout the observation period. As at 31 December 2021, the carrying amount of financial assets with such modified contractual cash flows was not significant.

(5) Collateral held as security and other credit enhancements

The Group holds collateral or other credit enhancements to mitigate credit risk associated with loans and advances to customers, finance lease receivables, debt instruments at FVOCI and debt instruments at amortised cost. The main types of collateral include leasehold land and buildings, machinery and equipment, shares, accounts receivable and bank deposits.

In addition to the financial assets held under resale agreements as set out in Note V.23, the fair value of collateral held by the Group amounted to RMB1,134,630 million as at 31 December 2021 (31 December 2020: RMB1,452,146 million). The Group did not repledge any collateral held. The Group has to return the collateral when the relevant borrowers repay the balances. Assets foreclosed by the Group was disclosed in Note V.39.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(ix) Credit quality (continued)

(5) Collateral held as security and other credit enhancements (continued)

The Group requests collateral and guarantees for financial assets including loans and advances to customers, finance lease receivables, debt instruments at FVOCI and debt instruments at amortised cost. The most relevant indicator of their creditworthiness is an analysis of their financial performance and their liquidity, leverage, management effectiveness and growth ratios. For this reason, the valuation of collateral held against such financial assets is not routinely updated.

For credit-impaired of financial assets including loans and advances to customers, finance lease receivables, debt instruments at FVOCI and debt instruments at amortised cost, the Group obtains appraisals of collateral to inform its credit risk management actions. As at 31 December 2021, the net carrying amount of such financial assets was RMB117,853 million (31 December 2020: RMB110,683 million) and the value of the respective collateral was RMB300,472 million (31 December 2020: RMB280,130 million).

As at 31 December 2021, the Group has finance lease receivables at a carrying amount of RMB2,728 million (31 December 2020: RMB3,335 million) which are secured by the property and equipment leased to the lessee.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.1 Credit risk (continued)

(ix) Credit quality (continued)

(6) Investment securities analysed by credit rating from reputable rating agencies

	As at 31 December 2021					Total
	AAA	AA	A	Below A	Unrated	
Government bonds	2,620,677	—	—	—	42,607,225	45,227,902
Public sector and quasi-government bonds	4,518,701	—	—	—	36,017,734	40,536,435
Financial institution bonds	2,680,050	1,460,704	—	—	7,342	4,148,096
Corporate bonds	12,165,643	14,785,885	—	4,294,777	18,109,732	49,356,037
Convertible bonds	12,756	29,477	—	—	2,147,411	2,189,644
Asset-backed securities	1,027,140	658,736	—	—	91,630	1,777,506
Total	23,024,967	16,934,802	—	4,294,777	98,981,074	143,235,620

	As at 31 December 2020					Total
	AAA	AA	A	Below A	Unrated	
Government bonds	3,800,415	—	—	—	31,491,627	35,292,042
Public sector and quasi-government bonds	302,037	—	—	21,622	41,993,236	42,316,895
Financial institution bonds	3,426,873	2,218,313	—	609,076	3,747,160	10,001,422
Corporate bonds	19,398,178	13,790,432	84,340	11,070,665	16,792,907	61,136,522
Convertible bonds	82	309,465	—	853,198	2,073,408	3,236,153
Asset-backed securities	2,128,145	1,228,445	—	10,875	307,012	3,674,477
Total	29,055,730	17,546,655	84,340	12,565,436	96,405,350	155,657,511

As at 31 December 2021, among debt securities held by the Group, debt securities issued within Mainland China amounted to RMB137,811 million (31 December 2020: RMB138,729 million), and their credit ratings are assessed by domestic credit agents; debt securities issued outside Mainland China amounted to RMB5,425 million (31 December 2020: RMB16,929 million), and their credit ratings are assessed by international credit agents.

(x) Other financial assets

Other financial assets include balances with central bank, deposits and placements with financial institutions, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (excluding distressed debt assets), financial assets held under resale agreements and others. The directors of the Company consider that their credit risks are not significant.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.2 *Market risk*

Market risk is the risk of loss, in respect of the Group's on- and off-balance sheet activities, arising from movements in market rates including interest rates, foreign exchange rates, and commodity and equity prices.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Group's interest rate risk arises from the mismatches between contractual maturities or repricing dates of interest-generating assets and interest-bearing liabilities.

The risk of fair value and cash flows changes due to interest rate changes are mainly related to the Group's fixed rates and floating rates financial instruments.

The Group manages its interest rate risk by:

- minimising the mismatches between contractual maturities or repricing dates of interest-generating assets and interest-bearing liabilities; and
- regularly performing quantitative analysis, including periodic sensitivity analysis.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.2 Market risk (continued)

Interest rate risk (continued)

At the end of the reporting period, the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities at carrying amounts, categorised by remaining maturity based on the earlier of contractual repricing or maturity dates are as follows:

	As at 31 December 2021						Total
	Less than 1 month	1-3 months	3-12 months	1-5 years	Over 5 years	Non-interest bearing	
Cash and balances with central bank	23,941,769	—	—	—	—	14,732	23,956,501
Deposits with financial institutions	126,982,216	14,967,585	3,953,473	704,000	—	90,983	146,698,257
Placements with financial institutions	19,463,934	63,757	149,829	—	—	8,241	19,685,761
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	15,965,542	3,305,076	20,467,992	93,712,239	18,154,925	199,441,945	351,047,719
Financial assets held under resale agreements	10,558,893	—	—	—	—	485,378	11,044,271
Loans and advances to customers	74,603,567	22,321,881	88,108,041	50,271,472	11,268,074	590,968	247,164,003
Finance lease receivables	2,459,348	2,978,495	10,165,714	6,086,239	290,000	1,574,271	23,554,067
Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	10,712,718	1,430,343	16,186,834	21,345,356	7,129,420	398,953	57,203,624
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	—	3,139,579	3,139,579
Debt instruments at amortised cost	101,587,009	24,936,668	184,650,827	236,676,612	29,182,403	3,765,915	580,799,434
Assets held for sale	1,777,174	1,705,552	3,034,575	236,795	—	112,149	6,866,245
Other financial assets	347,274	7,330	1,064,345	1,813,302	389,043	10,697,678	14,318,972
Total financial assets	388,399,444	71,716,687	327,781,630	410,846,015	66,413,865	220,320,792	1,485,478,433
Borrowings from central bank	(1,152,852)	(2,726,672)	(19,100,131)	—	—	(167,973)	(23,147,628)
Deposits from financial institutions	(2,517,995)	(3,590,000)	(7,449,914)	—	—	(98,431)	(13,656,340)
Placements from financial institutions	(1,677,310)	(1,631,882)	(1,473,000)	—	—	(2,027)	(4,784,219)
Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements	(14,463,359)	(5,971,445)	(10,430,622)	—	—	(796)	(30,866,222)
Borrowings	(86,722,068)	(125,989,897)	(403,790,762)	(88,854,262)	(37,883,849)	(4,384,624)	(747,625,462)
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(625)	—	(328,132)	—	—	(354,905)	(683,662)
Due to customers	(120,074,388)	(10,284,148)	(35,136,564)	(86,103,926)	(226)	(5,609,636)	(257,208,888)
Lease liabilities	(42,518)	(49,481)	(539,425)	(1,175,740)	(226,435)	(15,941)	(2,049,540)
Bonds and notes issued	(1,870,151)	(45,794,622)	(75,609,828)	(89,015,203)	(58,094,490)	(680,919)	(271,065,213)
Liabilities directly associated with the assets held for sale	(201,524)	(300,805)	(1,183,144)	(3,632)	—	(13,676)	(1,702,781)
Other financial liabilities	(1,545,730)	(145,793)	(1,359,415)	(11,942,895)	(1,638,314)	(68,079,846)	(84,711,993)
Total financial liabilities	(230,268,520)	(196,484,745)	(556,400,937)	(277,095,658)	(97,843,314)	(79,408,774)	(1,437,501,948)
Interest rate gap	158,130,924	(124,768,058)	(228,619,307)	133,750,357	(31,429,449)	140,912,018	47,976,485

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.2 Market risk (continued)

Interest rate risk (continued)

	As at 31 December 2020						Total
	Less than 1 month	1-3 months	3-12 months	1-5 years	Over 5 years	Non-interest bearing	
Cash and balances with central bank	22,108,136	—	—	—	—	700,226	22,808,362
Deposits with financial institutions	117,558,531	2,740,447	1,866,378	1,653,759	—	55,916	123,875,031
Placements with financial institutions	2,803,302	895,747	2,000,000	—	—	41,755	5,740,804
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	18,780,693	2,712,016	11,433,619	40,809,918	13,600,654	272,103,087	359,439,987
Financial assets held under resale agreements	14,732,192	—	—	—	—	492,431	15,224,623
Loans and advances to customers	57,205,789	21,108,815	90,055,474	51,213,439	12,204,460	712,202	232,500,179
Finance lease receivables	3,820,784	2,904,952	21,857,666	8,908,117	813,294	1,491,887	39,796,700
Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	11,157,272	6,456,582	20,329,603	39,698,249	4,891,629	573,513	83,106,848
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	—	4,493,861	4,493,861
Debt instruments at amortised cost	94,873,829	21,740,525	197,900,701	307,861,610	30,730,423	2,941,494	656,048,582
Asset held for sale	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other financial assets	395,290	111,407	1,159,169	205,455	588,459	12,238,376	14,698,156
Total financial assets	343,435,818	58,670,491	346,602,610	450,350,547	62,828,919	295,844,748	1,557,733,133
Borrowings from central bank	(13,000)	(4,124,668)	(18,607,740)	—	—	(437,421)	(23,182,829)
Deposits from financial institutions	(17,637)	(2,050,000)	(6,800,000)	—	—	(56,504)	(8,924,141)
Placements from financial institutions	(1,994,747)	(1,300,312)	(1,373,000)	—	—	(11,207)	(4,679,266)
Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements	(14,191,081)	(296,312)	(1,054,242)	—	—	(5,813)	(15,547,448)
Borrowings	(32,757,341)	(78,448,291)	(433,901,191)	(216,707,339)	(12,947,345)	(3,662,261)	(778,423,768)
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	—	—	(17,222)	(635,980)	—	(2,648,325)	(3,301,527)
Due to customers	(123,046,811)	(12,771,993)	(21,690,316)	(89,060,110)	(12)	(4,257,977)	(250,827,219)
Lease liabilities	(32,540)	(34,436)	(252,280)	(444,947)	(151,930)	(3,684)	(919,817)
Bonds and notes issued	(1,209,393)	(35,119,394)	(111,301,335)	(116,152,070)	(71,766,062)	(1,423,567)	(336,971,821)
Other financial liabilities	(16,731,391)	(10,738,407)	(28,976,715)	(19,923,167)	(1,543,565)	(44,814,499)	(122,727,744)
Total financial liabilities	(189,993,941)	(144,883,813)	(623,974,041)	(442,923,613)	(86,408,914)	(57,321,258)	(1,545,505,580)
Interest rate gap	153,441,877	(86,213,322)	(277,371,431)	7,426,934	(23,579,995)	238,523,490	12,227,553

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.2 Market risk (continued)

Interest rate risk (continued)

The following table illustrates the potential impact of a parallel upward or downward shift of 100 basis points in all financial instruments' yield rate on the Group's profit before tax and other comprehensive income before tax, based on the Group's positions of interest-generating assets and interest-bearing liabilities at the end of the reporting period.

This sensitivity analysis is performed by assuming that:

- Interest income and expenses are changed by 100 basis points when interest generating assets and interest bearing liabilities within one year are reset or reinvested/replaced with similar assets or liabilities when they become matured. No changes in fair value are assumed in this assessment for financial assets at FVTPL.
- The fair value of financial instruments at FVOCI changes in respond to this change of 100 basis points.

Interest rate sensitivity analysis

	Year ended 31 December			
	2021		2020	
	Profit before tax	Other comprehensive income before tax	Profit before tax	Other comprehensive income before tax
+ 100 basis points	(556,919)	(1,373,082)	(525,067)	(1,536,247)
- 100 basis points	556,919	1,438,118	525,067	1,593,211

Foreign exchange risk

Foreign exchange risk is the risk of loss due to changes in currency exchange rates. The Group takes on exposure to the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing foreign exchange rates on its financial position and operating performance. The Group conducts the majority of its businesses in RMB, with certain foreign currency transactions conducted in United States Dollars ("USD"), Hong Kong Dollars ("HKD") or other currencies.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.2 Market risk (continued)

Foreign exchange risk (continued)

At the end of the reporting period, a breakdown of the financial assets and liabilities analysed by currency is as follows:

	As at 31 December 2021				Total (RMB equivalent)
	RMB	USD (RMB equivalent)	HKD (RMB equivalent)	Other currencies (RMB equivalent)	
Cash and balances with central bank	23,878,838	77,483	179	1	23,956,501
Deposits with financial institutions	133,047,065	5,238,637	8,175,923	236,632	146,698,257
Placements with financial institutions	19,472,175	213,586	—	—	19,685,761
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	326,849,574	14,837,042	5,522,513	3,838,590	351,047,719
Financial assets held under resale agreements	11,044,271	—	—	—	11,044,271
Loans and advances to customers	246,988,338	136,185	35,760	3,720	247,164,003
Finance lease receivables	22,029,348	1,524,719	—	—	23,554,067
Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	56,237,078	966,546	—	—	57,203,624
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	1,086,298	1,853,148	200,133	—	3,139,579
Debt instruments at amortised cost	540,394,449	31,134,955	9,270,030	—	580,799,434
Asset held for sale	6,866,245	—	—	—	6,866,245
Other financial assets	9,188,303	4,603,651	527,018	—	14,318,972
Total financial assets	1,397,081,982	60,585,952	23,731,556	4,078,943	1,485,478,433
Borrowings from central bank	(23,147,628)	—	—	—	(23,147,628)
Deposits from financial institutions	(13,656,340)	—	—	—	(13,656,340)
Placements from financial institutions	(4,784,219)	—	—	—	(4,784,219)
Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements	(30,035,374)	(830,848)	—	—	(30,866,222)
Borrowings	(637,117,243)	(110,058,538)	(449,681)	—	(747,625,462)
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(355,530)	(328,132)	—	—	(683,662)
Due to customers	(256,610,971)	(489,046)	(14)	(108,857)	(257,208,888)
Lease liabilities	(1,496,524)	—	(553,016)	—	(2,049,540)
Bonds and notes issued	(169,666,913)	(95,907,504)	(3,607,098)	(1,883,698)	(271,065,213)
Liabilities directly associated with the assets held for sale	(1,702,781)	—	—	—	(1,702,781)
Other financial liabilities	(73,542,360)	(986,419)	(10,183,214)	—	(84,711,993)
Total financial liabilities	(1,212,115,883)	(208,600,487)	(14,793,023)	(1,992,555)	(1,437,501,948)
Net exposure	184,966,099	(148,014,535)	8,938,533	2,086,388	47,976,485

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.2 Market risk (continued)

Foreign exchange risk (continued)

	As at 31 December 2020				Total (RMB equivalent)
	RMB	USD (RMB equivalent)	HKD (RMB equivalent)	Other currencies (RMB equivalent)	
Cash and balances with central bank	22,795,949	12,396	17	—	22,808,362
Deposits with financial institutions	110,580,988	7,467,711	5,467,952	358,380	123,875,031
Placements with financial institutions	5,545,007	195,797	—	—	5,740,804
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	328,332,233	19,601,592	6,712,173	4,793,989	359,439,987
Financial assets held under resale agreements	15,224,623	—	—	—	15,224,623
Loans and advances to customers	232,385,457	18,922	75,903	19,897	232,500,179
Finance lease receivables	37,873,873	1,922,827	—	—	39,796,700
Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	77,855,502	5,251,346	—	—	83,106,848
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	813,135	3,492,033	188,693	—	4,493,861
Debt instruments at amortised cost	610,666,963	39,084,903	6,296,716	—	656,048,582
Other financial assets	13,773,320	155,097	769,739	—	14,698,156
Total financial assets	1,455,847,050	77,202,624	19,511,193	5,172,266	1,557,733,133
Borrowings from central bank	(23,182,829)	—	—	—	(23,182,829)
Deposits from financial institutions	(8,924,141)	—	—	—	(8,924,141)
Placements from financial institutions	(4,397,999)	(261,199)	—	(20,068)	(4,679,266)
Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements	(14,493,206)	(1,054,242)	—	—	(15,547,448)
Borrowings	(663,737,586)	(112,443,072)	(2,243,110)	—	(778,423,768)
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(2,648,325)	(653,202)	—	—	(3,301,527)
Due to customers	(250,576,085)	(250,485)	(24)	(625)	(250,827,219)
Lease liabilities	(663,538)	(147)	(250,254)	(5,878)	(919,817)
Bonds and notes issued	(204,873,254)	(123,141,527)	(4,001,378)	(4,955,662)	(336,971,821)
Other financial liabilities	(116,609,184)	(553,501)	(5,565,059)	—	(122,727,744)
Total financial liabilities	(1,290,106,147)	(238,357,375)	(12,059,825)	(4,982,233)	(1,545,505,580)
Net exposure	165,740,903	(161,154,751)	7,451,368	190,033	12,227,553

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.2 Market risk (continued)

Foreign exchange risk (continued)

Foreign exchange rate sensitivity analysis

The table below indicates the potential effect on profit before tax and other comprehensive income before tax of a 5% appreciation or depreciation of RMB spot and forward exchange rates against all other currencies.

	Year ended 31 December			
	2021		2020	
	Profit before tax	Other comprehensive income before tax	Profit before tax	Other comprehensive income before tax
5% appreciation	19,404,537	(150,991)	3,886,611	(446,604)
5% depreciation	(19,404,537)	150,991	(3,886,611)	446,604

Price risk

Certain equity financial assets included in financial assets at FVTPL and financial assets at FVOCI are subject to price risk which may cause losses to the Group as a result of changes in market prices.

The price risk of these financial assets may arise due to change in market price. This change may be caused by factors relating to the financial instrument itself or the issuer, and it also may be caused by market factors.

The following table illustrates the potential impact of an increase or decrease of 10 percent in price on these equity financial assets at FVTPL and financial assets at FVOCI measured at fair value on the Group's profit before tax and other comprehensive income before tax.

	Year ended 31 December			
	2021		2020	
	Profit before tax	Other comprehensive income before tax	Profit before tax	Other comprehensive income before tax
+10 percent	3,543,322	984,210	3,020,421	1,661,388
- 10 percent	(3,543,322)	(984,210)	(3,020,421)	(1,661,388)

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.3 *Liquidity risk*

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group does not have sufficient financial resources to meet its obligations as they fall due, or will have to do so at an excessive cost. This risk arises from mismatches in the timing of cash flows which is inherent in all business operations and can be affected by a range of group-specific and market-wide events.

The Group manages its liquidity risk by:

- optimising assets and liabilities structure;
- implementing a centralised liquidity management system by pooling group-wide funds and maintaining an efficient internal fund transfer mechanism within the Group; and
- regularly performing quantitative analysis.

Due to its business nature, the Group has diverse funding sources, including taking deposits from the public (for its banking operations), issues of debt instruments and perpetual capital instruments and banking borrowings.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.3 Liquidity risk (continued)

The tables below present the cash flows of financial assets and financial liabilities by remaining contractual maturities at the end of the reporting period. The amounts disclosed in the tables are the undiscounted contractual cash flows.

	As at 31 December 2021							
	Past due/ undated	On demand	Less than 1 month	1–3 months	3–12 months	1–5 years	Over 5 years	Total
Cash and balances with central bank	15,587,454	8,368,999	74	—	—	—	—	23,956,527
Deposits with financial institutions	10,143,910	120,176,225	11,490,852	1,218,308	3,235,829	705,724	—	146,970,848
Placements with financial institutions	—	—	19,471,533	67,202	157,209	—	—	19,695,944
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	270,632,313	297,366	1,175,254	1,970,066	27,556,133	87,133,687	15,226,942	403,991,761
Financial assets held under resale agreements	1,857,543	232,454	8,956,416	—	—	—	—	11,046,413
Loans and advances to customers	5,728,021	—	18,695,531	37,043,006	104,407,982	107,042,146	74,311,761	347,228,447
Finance lease receivables	2,044,298	—	1,167,281	1,938,837	7,484,441	15,163,761	1,647,459	29,446,077
Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	15,748,215	—	2,160,274	3,350,196	19,796,014	26,986,153	8,795,531	76,836,383
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	3,139,579	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,139,579
Debt instruments at amortised cost	155,570,397	—	42,953,184	37,980,840	199,440,514	306,858,117	37,233,126	780,036,178
Assets held for sale	228,116	587,682	1,239,403	2,008,541	3,536,182	237,406	—	7,837,330
Other financial assets	3,200,082	1,674,724	2,648,243	47,685	3,648,317	2,753,585	2,019,728	15,992,364
Total financial assets	483,879,928	131,337,450	109,958,045	85,624,681	369,262,621	546,880,579	139,234,547	1,866,177,851
Borrowings from central bank	—	—	(1,209,803)	(2,795,882)	(19,407,693)	—	—	(23,413,378)
Deposits from financial institutions	—	(2,417,995)	(100,669)	(3,648,861)	(7,745,404)	—	—	(13,912,929)
Placements from financial institutions	—	—	(1,680,951)	(1,243,359)	(1,488,578)	—	—	(4,412,888)
Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements	—	—	(3,244,852)	(5,993,279)	(10,690,479)	—	—	(19,928,610)
Borrowings	—	(10,655,801)	(76,442,878)	(122,697,202)	(428,794,910)	(142,921,323)	(17,659,541)	(799,171,655)
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(354,905)	—	—	(625)	(328,132)	—	—	(683,662)
Due to customers	—	(110,671,880)	(10,916,674)	(10,981,689)	(37,742,957)	(96,525,189)	(292)	(266,838,681)
Lease liabilities	—	(163,573)	(23,237)	(111,373)	(634,827)	(1,348,490)	(369,459)	(2,650,959)
Bonds and notes issued	(1,179)	—	(2,253,420)	(30,253,130)	(99,621,578)	(111,166,700)	(68,081,068)	(311,377,075)
Liabilities directly associated with the assets held for sale	—	(3,479)	(205,550)	(317,564)	(1,225,246)	(3,751)	—	(1,755,590)
Other financial liabilities	(15,815,575)	(46,923,738)	(2,682,246)	(1,265,330)	(5,396,492)	(19,495,206)	(605,178)	(92,183,765)
Total financial liabilities	(16,171,659)	(170,836,466)	(98,760,280)	(179,308,294)	(613,076,296)	(371,460,659)	(86,715,538)	(1,536,329,192)
Net position	467,708,269	(39,499,016)	11,197,765	(93,683,613)	(243,813,675)	175,419,920	52,519,009	329,848,659

Maturity analysis for derivative financial assets and liabilities are not presented separately as the amount is insignificant.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.3 Liquidity risk (continued)

In respect of financial liabilities at FVTPL, the ultimate cash outflow depends on the corresponding underlying assets, and the actual amount can be different from those presented above.

	As at 31 December 2020							Total
	Past due/ undated	On demand	Less than 1 month	1–3 months	3–12 months	1–5 years	Over 5 years	
Cash and balances with central bank	18,618,154	4,180,853	—	9,397	—	—	—	22,808,404
Deposits with financial institutions	8,463,080	104,836,629	4,649,535	2,558,144	1,758,772	1,714,463	—	123,980,623
Placements with financial institutions	—	—	2,804,703	919,138	2,040,863	—	—	5,764,704
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	322,202,235	6,335,315	2,974,716	3,900,601	13,759,728	51,234,749	6,710,368	407,117,712
Financial assets held under resale agreements	7,878,282	—	9,276,608	—	—	—	—	17,154,890
Loans and advances to customers	6,166,645	—	14,882,432	34,800,358	79,698,747	103,464,653	63,925,146	302,937,981
Finance lease receivables	1,956,223	—	1,646,232	3,402,872	14,249,332	23,813,641	2,802,376	47,870,676
Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	14,008,606	—	1,841,970	7,563,484	23,631,732	46,420,626	6,554,579	100,020,997
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	4,493,861	—	—	—	—	—	—	4,493,861
Debt instruments at amortised cost	139,552,356	—	44,023,139	45,116,160	229,320,519	381,906,628	37,451,574	877,370,376
Other financial assets	703,035	7,887,554	1,024,304	1,596,948	666,670	1,408,537	2,371,109	15,658,157
Total financial assets	524,042,477	123,240,351	83,123,639	99,867,102	365,126,363	609,963,297	119,815,152	1,925,178,381
Borrowings from central bank	—	—	(13,000)	(4,263,055)	(19,321,770)	—	—	(23,597,825)
Deposits from financial institutions	—	(158,928)	—	(2,079,657)	(7,140,405)	—	—	(9,378,990)
Placements from financial institutions	—	—	(2,005,245)	(1,318,922)	(1,379,997)	—	—	(4,704,164)
Financial assets sold under repurchase agreements	—	—	(15,265,937)	(299,395)	—	—	—	(15,565,332)
Borrowings	—	(19,678,225)	(27,376,932)	(73,853,613)	(451,919,935)	(270,979,072)	(16,769,064)	(860,576,841)
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(2,648,325)	—	—	—	(17,222)	(635,980)	—	(3,301,527)
Due to customers	—	(109,861,501)	(13,955,878)	(13,344,676)	(22,940,987)	(100,464,605)	(19)	(260,567,666)
Lease liabilities	—	(286)	(35,659)	(40,361)	(311,791)	(483,820)	(171,922)	(1,043,839)
Bonds and notes issued	—	—	(1,130,918)	(36,792,248)	(123,167,259)	(129,793,695)	(90,895,136)	(381,779,256)
Other financial liabilities	(9,497,696)	(3,992,008)	(19,281,866)	(12,329,178)	(64,725,733)	(29,451,143)	(754,391)	(140,032,015)
Total financial liabilities	(12,146,021)	(133,690,948)	(79,065,435)	(144,321,105)	(690,925,099)	(531,808,315)	(108,590,532)	(1,700,547,455)
Net position	511,896,456	(10,450,597)	4,058,204	(44,454,003)	(325,798,736)	78,154,982	11,224,620	224,630,926

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.4 Risk management of distressed assets

62.4.1 Overview

Risk of distressed assets includes the potential loss that may arise from counterparty's failure to meet its obligation or changes in market conditions that lead to decline in asset value. Risk of distressed assets can also arise from operational failures due to unauthorised or inappropriate purchases, disposals or management activities, which result in the recoverable amount of the distressed assets lower than their carrying amounts.

The Group's distressed assets risk arises from distressed debts which the Group initially classifies as financial assets at FVTPL, debt instruments at amortised cost and at FVOCI or equity instruments at FVTPL and at FVOCI.

62.4.2 Risk management of distressed debt assets

The Group exercises standardised management procedures, including project initiation, due diligence investigation, design and approval of recovery plan and continuous monitoring and management. The Group enhances its risk management by strengthening investigation, review and approval procedures before taking up distressed assets, and monitoring measures after taking up the distressed assets; enhancing risk mitigation effect through collateral; and continuously upgrading the management system of distressed assets.

Specifically, the risks to which distressed debts measured as financial assets at FVTPL mainly comprise valuation risk, legal title risk and to certain extent credit risk; while the risks to which distressed debts initially classified as debt instruments at amortised cost and at FVOCI mainly comprise credit risk.

(i) Valuation risk

Valuation risk is the risk of negative impact arising from the difference between actual results and value estimations that the Group would use in its management of distressed debt assets measured at FVTPL and at FVOCI, due to variance in factors including future cash flows, collection period, discount rate, disposal cost and etc. Measures the Group takes to minimise the valuation risk include:

- Perform investigation strictly on the parties involved in the transaction (including the debtors and the guarantors), collateral provided, repayment sources and etc.;
- Adopt conservative estimation on incurrence rate, discount rate, disposal cost and future cash flows when performing valuation; and
- Review the difference between actual results and estimation after the completion of the disposal of distressed assets to improve the accuracy of future estimations.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.4 Risk management of distressed assets (continued)

62.4.2 Risk management of distressed debt assets (continued)

(i) Valuation risk (continued)

The Group has established an independent valuation process for financial assets and financial liabilities. The Operation Department is responsible for the valuation of financial assets and financial liabilities, and the Risk Management Department performs an independent review of the valuation methodologies, inputs, assumptions and valuation results. The Finance Department records these items and prepares the disclosure of the financial assets and financial liabilities, based on the independently reviewed valuation.

(ii) Legal title risk

Legal title risk is the risk of loss, arising from the decrease of recoverable amount when the legal rights to claim was partially or entirely lost due to inappropriate daily management of distressed assets such as expiry of claim period without taking proper legal actions on time. Measures the Group takes to minimise the legal title risk include:

- Set up alert management system to ensure the expiry of legal claim periods related to distressed assets are managed effectively;
- Set up periodic revisiting mechanism to interview debtors and monitor the conditions of collateral. Maintain regular investigation report properly to ensure the Group has access to the most updated information; and
- Set up reporting mechanism of significant event to ensure immediate recovery action is taken when certain risk elements emerge.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.4 Risk management of distressed assets (continued)

62.4.2 Risk management of distressed debt assets (continued)

(iii) Credit risk

In addition to distressed debt assets classified as debt instruments at amortised cost and at FVOCI, certain distressed debt assets measured as at FVTPL may also be subject to credit risk. Depending on the status of the obligor of distressed debt assets that are measured at FVTPL, the Group may decide to pursue repayment from the obligor instead of disposing of it to third party, credit risk arises in such situation. Credit risk represents the potential loss that may arise from a customer or counterparty's failure to meet its obligation. Measures the Group takes to minimise the credit risk of distressed assets include:

- Manage the creditworthiness of counterparties using independent credit rating on the counterparties as reference;
- Select counterparties with appropriate creditworthiness and repayment capability; and
- Require counterparties to provide collateral to cover the credit exposure.

62.4.3 Risk management of assets obtained through debt-to-equity swap

Certain equity classified as equity instruments at FVTPL and at FVOCI were obtained through debt-to-equity swap. Risk related to these equity instruments is the risk of loss arising from movements in the value of equity shares due to price changes or decline in value of the investees.

Measures the Group takes to minimise the risk related to these equity instruments include:

- Strengthen continuous monitoring, analysis and management of equity values;
- Gain better understanding of macro-economic policies reinforced by the government and assess their impact on the equity investments; and
- Track the value changes dynamically and identify the appropriate timing for disposal to realise the maximum value of equity shares.

62.4.4 Determination of fair value

The Group determines the fair value of distressed debt assets, which are classified as financial assets at FVTPL and at FVOCI, by using valuation techniques as these assets usually do not have an active market. Valuation techniques mainly include discounted cash flow method with future cash flow estimated based on recent prices of similar transactions entered between market participants or realisable value of the underlying assets.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

62. Financial risk management (continued)

62.4 Risk management of distressed assets (continued)

62.4.5 Impairment assessment

The Group performs impairment assessment on distressed debt assets at amortised cost and at FVOCI. Assessment procedures for distressed debt assets at amortised cost and at FVOCI are similar to those set out in Note V.62.1.

62.5 Capital management

The Group's objectives on capital management are as follows:

- Ensure compliance with regulatory requirements;
- Optimise capital allocation among the Group entities;
- Improve efficiency of capital deployment;
- Safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern to support the Group's development.

In accordance with the requirements of Consolidated Supervision Guidelines on Financial Asset Management Companies (Provisional) (Yinjianfa [2011] No. 20), issued by the CBIRC in 2011, the Group manages its capital based on required minimum capital. Compliance with the requirement of minimum capital is the primary goal of capital management of the Group.

Minimum capital of the Group is the total of minimum capital of the Company and its subsidiaries after taking into account of the percentage of shareholding, and deduction as required by relevant rules and regulations. The Group is required to meet this minimum capital requirement stipulated by the CBIRC.

In accordance with the requirements of Off-site Supervision Reporting Index System on Financial Asset Management Companies (Yinjianbanfa [2016] No. 38) and Capital Rules for Financial Asset Management Companies (Provisional) (Yinjianfa [2017] No. 56), issued by the CBIRC in 2016 and 2017 respectively, the Company is required to maintain a minimum core Tier II Capital Adequacy Ratio ("CAR") at 12.5%. CAR is calculated by dividing the corresponding qualified capital of the Company by its risk-weighted assets.

As at 31 December 2021, the Company's capital adequacy ratios met regulatory requirements. As at 31 December 2020, the Company's capital adequacy ratios failed to comply with regulatory requirements on minimum CARs.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

63. Fair value of financial instruments

63.1 Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis

The following tables provide a summary of financial instruments that are measured at fair value subsequent to initial recognition, grouped into three levels:

	As at 31 December 2021			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets at FVTPL	35,433,221	37,397,071	278,217,427	351,047,719
Debt instruments at FVOCI	9,417,405	18,768,422	29,017,797	57,203,624
Equity instruments at FVOCI	424,690	2,053,281	661,608	3,139,579
Loans and advances to customers at FVOCI	—	36,874,793	—	36,874,793
Total	45,275,316	95,093,567	307,896,832	448,265,715

	As at 31 December 2021			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial liabilities at FVTPL	(20)	(683,038)	(604)	(683,662)

	As at 31 December 2020			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets at FVTPL	30,204,209	40,242,026	288,993,752	359,439,987
Debt instruments at FVOCI	14,355,631	23,744,737	45,006,480	83,106,848
Equity instruments at FVOCI	2,258,248	1,751,645	483,968	4,493,861
Loans and advances to customers at FVOCI	—	14,162,395	—	14,162,395
Total	46,818,088	79,900,803	334,484,200	461,203,091

	As at 31 December 2020			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial liabilities at FVTPL	—	(3,301,527)	—	(3,301,527)

There were no significant transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 within the Group for the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

63. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

63.1 Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis (continued)

The following table gives information about the fair value of the financial assets and financial liabilities and their fair value hierarchy.

Financial assets	Fair value as at 31 December		Fair value hierarchy
	2021	2020	
1) Financial assets at FVTPL			
Distressed debt assets	182,087,159	189,056,713	Level 3
Funds			
— Listed	353,583	1,284,612	Level 1
— Investing in the underlying assets with open or active quotations	10,083,617	7,408,949	Level 2
— Investing in the underlying assets without open or active quotations	38,657,986	29,963,476	Level 3
Trust products			
— Investing in the underlying assets with open or active quotations	920,232	1,345,821	Level 2
— Investing in the underlying assets without open or active quotations	10,762,033	10,387,890	Level 3
Equity instruments			
— Listed shares			
— Unrestricted shares	34,855,455	28,315,653	Level 1
— Unrestricted shares	110,941	—	Level 2
— Restricted shares	4,664,258	13,077,067	Level 3
— Unlisted shares	21,532,540	22,128,096	Level 3
Debt securities			
— Traded in stock exchanges	181,950	417,398	Level 1
— Traded in inter-bank markets	16,218,422	12,917,322	Level 2
— Traded over the counter	302,915	956,766	Level 3
Wealth management products			
— Investing in the underlying assets with open or active quotations	5,654,881	9,013,565	Level 2
— Investing in the underlying assets without open or active quotations	100	1,010,000	Level 3
Convertible bonds			
— Listed	42,233	16,547	Level 1
— Unlisted	2,147,411	3,219,606	Level 3
Derivatives and structured products	88,122	—	Level 2

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

63. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

63.1 Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis (continued)

Financial assets	Fair value as at 31 December		Fair value hierarchy
	2021	2020	
Derivatives and structured products	6,260,017	6,545,926	Level 3
Other debt assets			
— Traded in stock exchanges	—	169,999	Level 1
— Investing in the underlying assets without open or active quotations	6,849,583	4,973,415	Level 3
Asset management plans			
— Investing in the underlying assets with open or active quotations	3,942,537	5,222,484	Level 2
— Investing in the underlying assets without open or active quotations	3,921,544	4,993,861	Level 3
Negotiable certificates of deposit	378,319	4,333,885	Level 2
Entrusted loans	884,284	2,381,390	Level 3
Asset-backed securities	147,597	299,546	Level 3
Subtotal	351,047,719	359,439,987	
2) Debt instruments at FVOCI			
Distressed debt assets	23,030,955	36,654,337	Level 3
Debt securities			
— Traded in stock exchanges	9,417,405	14,355,631	Level 1
— Traded in inter-bank markets	18,411,101	23,169,196	Level 2
— Traded over the counter	59,499	63,000	Level 3
Entrusted loans	2,409,438	2,758,435	Level 3
Asset management plans			
— Investing in the underlying assets with open or active quotations	330,977	534,498	Level 2
— Investing in the underlying assets without open or active quotations	2,463,951	2,487,853	Level 3
Debt instruments	963,403	2,213,452	Level 3
Trust products	90,551	277,608	Level 3

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

63. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

63.1 Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis (continued)

Financial assets	Fair value as at 31 December		Fair value hierarchy
	2021	2020	
Asset-backed securities			
— Investing in the underlying assets with open or active quotations	26,344	41,043	Level 2
— Investing in the underlying assets without open or active quotations	—	551,795	Level 3
Subtotal	57,203,624	83,106,848	
3) Equity instruments at FVOCI			
Shares			
— Listed shares	424,690	2,258,248	Level 1
— Listed shares	406,715	—	Level 2
— Unlisted shares	1,646,566	1,751,645	Level 2
— Unlisted shares	661,608	483,968	Level 3
Subtotal	3,139,579	4,493,861	
4) Loans and advances to customers at FVOCI			
Discounted bills	36,874,793	14,162,395	Level 2
Total	448,265,715	461,203,091	
Financial liabilities			
Financial liabilities mandatorily measured as at FVTPL			
— Derivatives financial instruments	(20)	—	Level 1
— Derivatives financial instruments	(331,638)	(656,826)	Level 2
— Derivatives financial instruments	(604)	—	Level 3
Financial liabilities designated as at FVTPL			
— Interests of other holders in consolidated structured entities	(351,400)	(2,644,701)	Level 2
Total	(683,662)	(3,301,527)	

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

63. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

63.1 *Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis (continued)*

Valuation methods for financial instruments

For Level 1 financial instruments, fair values are unadjusted quotes in active markets for identical assets.

For Level 2 financial instruments, valuations are generally calculated based on discounted cash flow methods or quoted prices of actively traded underlying assets. For discounted cash flow methods, the most significant inputs are yield curves published by China Central Depository & Clearing Co., Ltd., interest rates publicly available from Shanghai Commercial Paper Exchange, announced expected returns of similar wealth management products sponsored by the same banks, or forward interest rate or exchange rate. Actively traded underlying assets are primarily listed shares or quoted debt instruments. When some of these securities are denominated in currencies other than Renminbi, they are converted at appropriate exchange rates prevailing on the balance sheet dates.

For Level 3 financial instruments, the management of the Group obtains valuation quotations from counterparties or uses valuation techniques to determine the fair value, including income approach, market approach and asset-based approach, etc. The fair value of these financial instruments may be based on unobservable inputs which may have significant impact on the valuation of these financial instruments, and therefore, these assets and liabilities have been classified by the Group as Level 3. The unobservable inputs which may have impact on the valuation include weighted average cost of capital, liquidity discount, price to book ratio, discount rate, etc.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

63. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

63.1 Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis (continued)

The following table summarizes the major valuation information for Level 3 financial instruments:

Business type	Valuation technique(s) and key input(s)	Significant unobservable input(s)	The effect of unobservable inputs on fair value
Distressed debt assets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discounted cash flow, future cash flow is estimated based on the expected recoverable amount, and discounted at an interest rate determined by management based on the best estimate of the expected risk level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estimated recoverable amount, estimated recovery date, discount rate in line with estimated risk level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The higher the expected recoverable amount, the higher the fair value. The earlier the recovery date, the higher the fair value. The lower the discount rate, the higher the fair value.
Unlisted equity instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discounted cash flow, future cash flow is estimated based on the expected recoverable amount, and discounted at an interest rate determined by management based on the best estimate of the expected risk level Comparable company method Asset-Based approach 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estimated recoverable amount, estimated recovery date, discount rate in line with estimated risk level Market multiplier, discount for lack of marketability (DLOM) Adjusted net assets, discount for lack of marketability (DLOM) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The higher the expected recoverable amount, the higher the fair value. The earlier the recovery date, the higher the fair value. The lower the discount rate, the higher the fair value. The higher market multiplier, the higher the fair value. The lower the DLOM, the higher the fair value. The higher the adjusted net assets, the higher the fair value. The lower the DLOM, the higher the fair value.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

63. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

63.1 Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis (continued)

The following table summarizes the major valuation information for Level 3 financial instruments: (continued)

Business type	Valuation technique(s) and key input(s)	Significant unobservable input(s)	The effect of unobservable inputs on fair value
Listed equity instruments (restricted)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option Pricing Model 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stock volatility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The lower the stock volatility, the higher the fair value.
Debt securities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discounted cash flow, future cash flow is estimated based on the expected recoverable amount, and discounted at an interest rate determined by management based on the best estimate of the expected risk level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estimated recoverable amount, estimated recovery date, discount rate in line with estimated risk level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The higher the expected recoverable amount, the higher the fair value. The earlier the recovery date, the higher the fair value. The lower the discount rate, the higher the fair value.
Funds; Trust products; Wealth management products; Derivatives and structured products, etc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discounted cash flow, future cash flow is estimated based on the expected recoverable amount, and discounted at an interest rate determined by management based on the best estimate of the expected risk level Comparable company method Asset-Based approach 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estimated recoverable amount, estimated recovery date, discount rate in line with estimated risk level Market multiplier, discount for lack of marketability (DLOM) Adjusted net assets, discount for lack of marketability (DLOM) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The higher the expected recoverable amount, the higher the fair value. The earlier the recovery date, the higher the fair value. The lower the discount rate, the higher the fair value. The higher market multiplier, the higher the fair value. The lower the DLOM, the higher the fair value. The higher the adjusted net assets, the higher the fair value. The lower the DLOM, the higher the fair value.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

63. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

63.2 Reconciliation of Level 3 fair value measurements

	Financial assets at FVTPL	Debt instruments at FVOCI	Equity instruments at FVOCI	Financial liabilities at FVTPL
As at 1 January 2021	288,993,752	45,006,480	483,968	—
Recognised in profit or loss	(2,676,321)	—	—	—
Recognised in other comprehensive income	—	(90,208)	(8,453)	—
Additions	57,733,830	4,601,106	257,972	(604)
Settlements/disposals	(54,794,734)	(20,499,581)	(71,879)	—
Transferred-out from Level 3	(11,039,100)	—	—	—
As at 31 December 2021	<u>278,217,427</u>	<u>29,017,797</u>	<u>661,608</u>	<u>(604)</u>
Changes in unrealized losses for the year included in profit or loss for assets and liabilities held at the end of the year	<u>(1,356,732)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

63. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

63.2 Reconciliation of Level 3 fair value measurements (continued)

	Financial assets at FVTPL	Debt instruments at FVOCI	Equity instruments at FVOCI	Financial liabilities at FVTPL
As at 1 January 2020	307,265,856	75,217,219	3,361,578	—
Recognised in profit or loss	(34,736,882)	—	—	—
Recognised in other comprehensive income	—	(8,124,362)	(96,492)	—
Additions	82,739,108	6,681,669	249,134	—
Settlements/disposals	(52,582,281)	(28,768,046)	(278,783)	—
Transferred-out from Level 3	(13,692,049)	—	(2,751,469)	—
As at 31 December 2020	<u>288,993,752</u>	<u>45,006,480</u>	<u>483,968</u>	<u>—</u>
Changes in unrealized losses for the year included in profit or loss for assets and liabilities held at the end of the year	<u>(25,589,264)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>

For the year ended 31 December 2021, certain restricted shares were transferred out from Level 3 fair value measurement as they became unrestricted during the year.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

63. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

63.3 Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are not measured on a recurring basis

The tables below summarise the carrying amounts and fair value of those financial assets and financial liabilities that are not measured in the consolidated statement of financial position at their fair value on a recurring basis. Financial assets and financial liabilities for which the carrying amounts approximate fair value, such as balances with central bank, deposits with financial institutions, placements with financial institutions, financial assets held under resale agreements, finance lease receivables, borrowings from central bank, deposits from financial institutions, placements from financial institutions, financial assets sold under repurchase agreements, due to customers are not included in the tables below.

	As at 31 December			
	2021		2020	
	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount	Fair value
Financial assets				
Debt instruments at amortised cost	580,799,434	608,266,110	656,048,582	691,430,559
Loans and advances to customers	210,289,210	235,348,916	218,337,784	241,165,009
Total	<u>791,088,644</u>	<u>843,615,026</u>	<u>874,386,366</u>	<u>932,595,568</u>
Financial liabilities				
Borrowings	(747,625,462)	(696,686,455)	(778,423,768)	(780,436,264)
Bonds and notes issued	(271,065,213)	(266,303,629)	(336,971,821)	(342,610,138)
Total	<u>(1,018,690,675)</u>	<u>(962,990,084)</u>	<u>(1,115,395,589)</u>	<u>(1,123,046,402)</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

63. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

63.3 Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are not measured on a recurring basis (continued)

	As at 31 December		Fair value hierarchy	Valuation technique
	2021	2020		
Financial assets				
Loans and advances to customers	235,348,916	241,165,009	Level 3	Discounted cash flows
Debt instruments at amortised cost	11,054,274	—	Level 1	Quoted ask prices in an active market
Debt instruments at amortised cost	99,790,416	97,356,303	Level 2	Quoted prices from China Central Depository and Clearing Co., Ltd.
Debt instruments at amortised cost	497,421,420	594,074,256	Level 3	Discounted cash flows
Total	<u>843,615,026</u>	<u>932,595,568</u>		
Financial liabilities				
Borrowings	(696,686,455)	(780,436,264)	Level 3	Discounted cash flows
Bonds and notes issued	(11,833,501)	(25,557,463)	Level 1	Quoted ask prices in an active market
Bonds and notes issued	(216,233,091)	(298,418,770)	Level 2	Quoted prices from China Central Depository and Clearing Co., Ltd.
Bonds and notes issued	(38,237,037)	(18,633,905)	Level 3	Discounted cash flows
Total	<u>(962,990,084)</u>	<u>(1,123,046,402)</u>		

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

64. Reconciliation of liabilities arising from financing activities

The table below details changes in the Group's liabilities arising from financing activities, including both cash and non-cash changes. Liabilities arising from financing activities are those for which cash flows were, or future cash flows will be, classified in the Group's consolidated statement of cash flows as cash flows from financing activities.

	<u>Borrowings</u>	<u>Bonds and notes issued</u> Note V.49	<u>Financial liabilities at FVTPL</u> Note V.22	<u>Lease liabilities</u> Note V.48	<u>Payables to interest holders of consolidated structured entities</u> Note V.50	<u>Dividends payable</u> Note V.50	<u>Total</u>
As at 1 January 2021	53,231,215	336,971,821	3,301,527	919,817	68,177,577	4,312,345	466,914,302
Financing cash flows	(14,205,297)	(74,550,954)	(2,372,723)	(906,299)	(34,176,739)	(4,643,689)	(130,855,701)
Non-cash changes							
Fair value adjustments	—	—	(245,142)	—	—	—	(245,142)
Foreign exchange translation	79,935	(3,031,957)	—	(2,500)	—	—	(2,954,522)
Interest expenses	2,628,182	11,676,303	—	131,340	—	—	14,435,825
Interest capitalisation	602,128	—	—	—	—	—	602,128
Net increase in lease	—	—	—	1,907,182	—	—	1,907,182
Disposal of subsidiary	(1,167,771)	—	—	—	—	—	(1,167,771)
Change in net assets attributable to other holders of consolidated structured entities	—	—	—	—	2,669,413	—	2,669,413
Dividends declared	—	—	—	—	—	522,579	522,579
As at 31 December 2021	<u>41,168,392</u>	<u>271,065,213</u>	<u>683,662</u>	<u>2,049,540</u>	<u>36,670,251</u>	<u>191,235</u>	<u>351,828,293</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

64. Reconciliation of liabilities arising from financing activities (continued)

	Borrowings	Bonds and notes issued Note V.49	Financial liabilities at FVTPL Note V.22	Lease liabilities Note V.48	Payables to interest holders of consolidated structured entities Note V.50	Dividends payable Note V.50	Total
As at 1 January 2020	90,338,389	367,345,588	3,223,853	1,983,254	72,983,379	4,436,341	540,310,804
Financing cash flows	(41,929,438)	(35,485,299)	608,042	(949,344)	(5,306,317)	(1,297,991)	(84,360,347)
Non-cash changes							
Fair value adjustments	—	—	(530,954)	—	—	—	(530,954)
Foreign exchange translation	(3,080,763)	(8,847,828)	—	(16,753)	—	—	(11,945,344)
Interest expenses	3,427,241	13,959,360	—	64,511	—	—	17,451,112
Interest capitalisation	774,770	—	—	—	—	—	774,770
Net decrease in lease	—	—	—	(170,360)	—	—	(170,360)
Acquisition/Disposal of subsidiary	3,701,016	—	586	8,509	—	—	3,710,111
Change in net assets attributable to other holders of consolidated structured entities	—	—	—	—	500,515	—	500,515
Dividends declared	—	—	—	—	—	1,173,995	1,173,995
As at 31 December 2020	<u>53,231,215</u>	<u>336,971,821</u>	<u>3,301,527</u>	<u>919,817</u>	<u>68,177,577</u>	<u>4,312,345</u>	<u>466,914,302</u>

Only cash flows of borrowings of non-financial institution subsidiaries are considered as financing activities in the presentation of consolidated statement of cash flows.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

65. Particulars of principal subsidiaries

Details of the Company's subsidiaries as at 31 December 2021 are set out below:

Name of entity	Place of incorporation/ establishment	Date of incorporation/ establishment	Authorised/ paid-in capital as at 31 December 2021 (In '000)	Proportion of ownership held by the Group at 31 December		Proportion of voting rights held by the Group at 31 December		Principal activities
				2021	2020	2021	2020	
				%	%	%	%	
Huarong Xiangjiang Bank (華融湘江銀行股份有限公司) ^{(c)(1)(2)(5)}	Changsha, PRC	October 2010	RMB7,750,431	40.53	40.53	40.53	40.53	Bank
Huarong Securities Co., Ltd. (華融證券股份有限公司) ^{(c)(1)(5)}	Beijing, PRC	September 2007	RMB5,840,703	71.99	71.99	71.99	71.99	Securities
Huarong Financial Leasing Co., Ltd. (華融金融租賃股份有限公司) ^{(c)(1)(5)}	Hangzhou, PRC	December 2001	RMB5,926,761	79.92	79.92	79.92	79.92	Leasing
Huarong Rongde Asset Management Co., Ltd. (華融融德資產管理有限公司) ^{(b)(5)}	Beijing, PRC	June 2006	RMB1,788,000	59.30	59.30	59.30	59.30	Asset Management
Huarong International Trust Co., Ltd. (華融國際信託有限責任公司) ^{(d)(1)}	Urumqi, PRC	August 2002	RMB3,035,653	76.79	76.79	76.79	76.79	Trust
Huarong Industrial Investment & Management Co., Ltd. (華融實業投資管理有限公司) ^{(a)(5)}	Zhuhai, PRC	May 1994	RMB1,850,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Real Estate Industry and Investment Management
Huarong Huitong Asset Management Co., Ltd. (華融匯通資產管理有限公司) ^(a)	Beijing, PRC	September 2010	RMB906,700	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Asset Management
Huarong Zhiyuan Investment & Management Co., Ltd. (華融致遠投資管理有限責任公司) ^(a)	Beijing, PRC	November 2009	RMB691,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Asset Management
Huarong Consumer Finance Co., Ltd. (華融消費金融股份有限公司) ^{(c)(1)(3)}	Hefei, PRC	January 2016	RMB900,000	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	Personal Consumption Loan
Huarong Rongda Futures (華融融達期貨股份有限公司) ^{(c)(1)}	Zhengzhou, PRC	April 1993	RMB1,830,307	59.26	59.26	59.26	59.26	Futures Broking
China Huarong International Holdings Limited (中國華融國際控股有限公司) ⁽⁵⁾	Hong Kong, PRC	January 2013	HKD2,771,382	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Investment Holding

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

65. Particulars of principal subsidiaries (continued)

Details of the Company's subsidiaries as at 31 December 2021 are set out below: (continued)

Name of entity	Place of incorporation/ establishment	Date of incorporation/ establishment	Authorised/ paid-in capital as at 31 December 2021 (In '000)	Proportion of ownership held by the Group at 31 December		Proportion of voting rights held by the Group at 31 December		Principal activities
				2021	2020	2021	2020	
				%	%	%	%	
Huarong Futures Co., Ltd. (華融期貨有限責任公司) ^{(d)(1)}	Haikou, PRC	September 1993	RMB320,000	92.50	92.50	92.50	92.50	Futures Broking
Huarong Tianze Investment Limited (華融天澤投資有限公司) ^(a)	Shanghai, PRC	November 2012	RMB461,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Investment Holding
Huarong Yufu Equity Investment Fund Management Co., Ltd. (華融渝富股權投資基金管理有限公司) ^(d)	Chongqing, PRC	July 2010	RMB446,306	91.00	91.00	91.00	91.00	Investment Holding
Huarong Qianhai Wealth Management Co., Ltd. (華融前海財富管理股份有限公司) ^(c)	Shenzhen, PRC	September 2014	RMB481,618	68.00	68.00	68.00	68.00	Wealth Management
China Huarong Western Development Investment Co., Ltd. (華融西部開發投資有限公司) ^(a)	Yinchuan, PRC	December 2014	RMB540,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Asset Management
HIFH (華融國際金融控股有限公司) ⁽¹⁾	Bermuda, UK	November 1993	HKD3,588	51.00	51.00	51.00	51.00	Securities
HISC (華融投資股份有限公司)	Cayman Islands	July 2014	HKD18,160	51.00	51.00	51.00	51.00	Investment Management
Huarong Guangdong FTA Investment Holdings Limited (華融廣東自貿區投融資控股有限公司) ^(a)	Zhuhai, PRC	November 2015	RMB255,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Investment Management
Huarong (Tianjin FTA) Investment Co., Ltd. (華融(天津自貿試驗區)投資有限公司) ^(a)	Tianjin, PRC	November 2015	RMB255,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Investment Management
Huarong Gannan Finance Investment Limited (華融贛南產融投資有限責任公司) ^(a)	Ganzhou, PRC	November 2015	RMB200,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Investment Management

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

65. Particulars of principal subsidiaries (continued)

Details of the Company's subsidiaries as at 31 December 2021 are set out below: (continued)

Name of entity	Place of incorporation/ establishment	Date of incorporation/ establishment	Authorised/ paid-in capital as at 31 December 2021 (In '000)	Proportion of ownership held by the Group at 31 December		Proportion of voting rights held by the Group at 31 December		Principal activities
				2021	2020	2021	2020	
				%	%	%	%	
Huarong Huaqiao Asset Management Co., Ltd. (華融華僑資產管理股份有限公司) ^(c)	Shantou, PRC	December 2015	RMB500,000	91.00	91.00	100.00	100.00	Investment Management
Huarong Capital Management Co., Ltd. (華融資本管理有限公司) ^(d)	Beijing, PRC	March 2016	RMB300,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Investment Management
Huarong Emerging Industry Investment Management Co., Ltd. (華融新興產業投資管理有限公司) ^(a)	Beijing, PRC	November 2016	RMB510,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Investment Management
Huarong Innovation Investment Co., Ltd. (華融創新投資有限責任公司) ^(a)	Beijing, PRC	January 2016	RMB255,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Investment Management
Huarong (Fujian Free Trade Test Area) Investment Co., Ltd. (華融(福建自貿試驗區)投資有限公司) ^(a)	Xiamen, PRC	June 2016	RMB255,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Investment Management
China Huarong (Macau) International Co., Ltd. (中國華融(澳門)國際股份有限公司)	Macau, PRC	November 2016	MOP233,000	51.00	51.00	51.00	51.00	Investment Management
Huarong Zhong Guancun Distressed Assets Exchange Center Co., Ltd. (華融中關村不良資產交易中心股份有限公司) ^{(c)(4)}	Beijing, PRC	January 2017	RMB500,000	N/A	79.60	N/A	79.60	Investment Management
Huarong Ruitong Equity Investment Co., Ltd. (華融瑞通股權投資管理有限公司) ^(a)	Beijing, PRC	January 2017	RMB300,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Investment Management
Huarong (HK) Industrial and Financial Investment Limited (華融(香港)產融投資有限公司) ^(a)	Hong Kong	November 2015	USD40,000	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	Investment Management

The English names of these subsidiaries are for identification purpose only.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

65. Particulars of principal subsidiaries (continued)

The above table lists the principal subsidiaries of the Company.

- (a) This entity is registered as solely invested by a corporation limited liability company under the PRC laws.
- (b) This entity is registered as a Sino-foreign joint venture limited liability company under the PRC laws.
- (c) This entity is registered as an unlisted joint stock limited company under the PRC laws.
- (d) This entity is registered as other limited liability company under the PRC laws.

To give details of other subsidiaries would, in the opinion of the directors of the Company, result in particulars of excessive length.

- (1) These subsidiaries are regulated financial institutions, therefore, they have to comply with regulatory requirements on related party transactions or capital requirements. As a result, the ability of the Group to access assets held by these subsidiaries to settle liabilities is restricted. As at 31 December 2021, the aggregate balance of total assets of these subsidiaries before consolidation eliminations amounted to RMB633,378 million (31 December 2020: RMB650,718 million).
- (2) According to the articles of association, the Directors of the Company conclude that the Group has the power to direct the relevant operation plan and financial policies of Huarong Xiangjiang Bank and has control over Huarong Xiangjiang Bank.
- (3) On 27 December 2021, the Company and the transferee, Bank of Ningbo Co., Ltd. (“Bank of Ningbo”), entered into the Unlisted State-owned Equity Transaction Contract of Financial Enterprise. The Company intends to transfer 70% equity interests in Huarong Consumer Finance Co.,Ltd. (“Huarong Consumer Finance”) to the transferee (the “Equity Transfer”). The Equity Transfer will be conducted by way of public listing for disposal through Beijing Financial Assets Exchange Co., Ltd. (“CFAE”). Accordingly, the Company has classified Huarong Consumer Finance as held for sale.
- (4) On 29 September 2021, Huarong Huitong Asset Management Co., Ltd. (“Huarong Huitong”) entered into a Sale and Purchase Agreement with Banking Credit Asset Registration and Circulation Center Co., Ltd. (“BCARC”) in relation to the sale and purchase of 79.60% of the total issued shares of Huarong Zhong Guancun Distressed Assets Exchange Center Co., Ltd. (“Huarong Exchange Center”). As at 13 December 2021, Huarong Exchange Center ceased to be a subsidiary of the Company and Huarong Huitong and was no longer included into the scope of consolidation.
- (5) The balances of bonds and notes were issued by the Company and its subsidiaries are as follows:

Name of entity	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
The Company	76,461,580	87,325,048
Huarong Xiangjiang Bank	68,926,117	80,567,722
Huarong Securities Co., Ltd.	13,453,253	18,633,905
Huarong Financial Leasing Co., Ltd.	7,438,231	13,926,356
Huarong Rongde Asset Management Co., Ltd.	2,410,543	7,322,321
Huarong Industrial Investment & Management Co., Ltd.	4,839,315	4,390,198
China Huarong International Holdings Limited	97,536,174	124,806,271
Total	271,065,213	336,971,821

Apart from information of bonds and notes issued by certain subsidiaries, no other debt securities had been issued by other subsidiaries at the end of the year.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

66. Non-controlling interests in the subsidiaries of the Group

The subsidiaries that have significant non-controlling interests to the Group are set out below. They include Huarong Xiangjiang Bank, Huarong Rongde Asset Management Co., Ltd. (“Huarong Rongde”), Huarong Financial Leasing Co., Ltd. (“Huarong Financial Leasing”), Huarong Securities Co., Ltd. (“Huarong Securities”) and Huarong International Trust Co., Ltd. (“Huarong Trust”).

General information about these subsidiaries has been set out in Note V.65. Summarised financial information about these subsidiaries and entities controlled by them, before intra-group eliminations, are as follows:

Huarong Xiangjiang Bank

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Total assets	425,983,680	405,975,610
Total liabilities	392,908,388	374,973,311
Equity attributable to equity holders of the subsidiary	33,016,515	30,943,307
Non-controlling interests	58,777	58,992
Total equity	33,075,292	31,002,299
Non-controlling interests of the subsidiary	16,484,320	15,251,384
Equity attributable to holders of perpetual capital instruments	5,297,799	5,297,799
	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Total revenue	21,801,531	21,146,311
Profit before tax	3,926,353	3,671,454
Total comprehensive income	3,075,935	2,824,020
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests of the subsidiary	1,828,798	1,705,058
Dividend distribution to non-controlling interests	460,918	654,504
	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Net cash flow from operating activities	8,608,698	11,999,766
Net cash flow from/(used in) investing activities	9,617,215	(15,378,655)
Net cash flow used in financing activities	(15,398,001)	(2,576,454)
Net cash inflow/(outflow)	2,827,912	(5,955,343)

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

66. Non-controlling interests in the subsidiaries of the Group (continued)

Huarong Securities

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Total assets	48,490,724	62,110,744
Total liabilities	38,388,141	58,225,290
Equity attributable to equity holders of the subsidiary	10,057,568	3,840,745
Non-controlling interests	45,015	44,709
Total equity	10,102,583	3,885,454
Non-controlling interests of the subsidiary	2,817,087	1,075,778
	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Total revenue	1,972,476	2,785,389
Profit/(loss) before tax	139,411	(8,158,487)
Total comprehensive income/(expense)	17,129	(8,189,289)
Profit/(loss) attributable to non-controlling interests of the subsidiary	53,922	(2,307,571)
	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Net cash flow from operating activities	3,026,656	9,353,274
Net cash flow from/(used in) investing activities	3,844,869	(2,263,822)
Net cash flow used in financing activities	(6,118,953)	(5,783,051)
Net cash inflow	752,572	1,306,401

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

66. Non-controlling interests in the subsidiaries of the Group (continued)

Huarong Financial Leasing

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Total assets	117,981,983	138,280,407
Total liabilities	99,741,116	121,632,240
Total equity	18,240,867	16,648,167
Non-controlling interests of the subsidiary	3,662,636	3,342,834
	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Total revenue	7,674,206	8,253,019
Profit before tax	1,973,876	2,046,474
Total comprehensive income	1,592,699	1,481,405
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests of the subsidiary	304,059	313,318
Dividend distribution to non-controlling interests	—	203,173
	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Net cash flow from operating activities	5,856,295	2,870,844
Net cash flow from/(used in) investing activities	1,074,024	(40,098)
Net cash flow used in financing activities	(6,942,706)	(1,801,619)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow	(12,387)	1,029,127

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

66. Non-controlling interests in the subsidiaries of the Group (continued)

Huarong Rongde

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Total assets	23,256,881	24,356,476
Total liabilities	18,234,198	18,522,243
Total equity	5,022,683	5,834,233
Non-controlling interests of the subsidiary	2,044,232	2,374,533
	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Total revenue	1,290,153	1,866,423
(Loss)/profit before tax	(896,062)	575,811
Total comprehensive (expense)/income	(661,550)	411,165
(Loss)/profit attributable to non-controlling interests of the subsidiary	(269,251)	167,344
Dividend distribution to non-controlling interests	61,050	75,295
	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Net cash flow from/(used in) operating activities	3,394,304	(1,365,902)
Net cash flow (used in)/from investing activities	(1,654,032)	2,623,754
Net cash flow used in financing activities	(1,423,003)	(2,720,295)
Net cash inflow/(outflow)	317,269	(1,462,443)

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

66. Non-controlling interests in the subsidiaries of the Group (continued)

Huarong Trust

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Total assets	21,211,880	19,910,657
Total liabilities	17,802,371	17,129,456
Total equity	3,409,509	2,781,201
Non-controlling interests of the subsidiary	791,404	645,564

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Total revenue	1,326,584	(2,288,002)
Profit/(loss) before tax	792,713	(5,961,682)
Total comprehensive income/(expense)	628,308	(5,933,785)
Profit/(loss) attributable to non-controlling interests of the subsidiary	151,256	(1,382,449)

	Year ended 31 December	
	2021	2020
Net cash flow from/(used in) operating activities	603,925	(2,194,517)
Net cash flow used in investing activities	(3,186,463)	(1,655,727)
Net cash flow from financing activities	2,428,901	2,472,871
Net cash outflow	(153,637)	(1,377,373)

67. Assets and liabilities held for sale

As at 31 December 2021, the Group's assets held for sale were RMB7,302 million (31 December 2020: Nil), and the Group's liabilities held for sale were RMB1,740 million (31 December 2020: Nil). As at 31 December 2021, the Company's assets held for sale were RMB630 million (31 December 2020: Nil).

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

68. Discontinued operation

On 17 August 2021, the Company publicly announced the approval of its first Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in 2021 to implement the equity transfer project of Huarong Consumer Finance. As at 27 December 2021, the Company had signed a legally binding transfer agreement and classified Huarong Consumer Finance as held for sale. With Huarong Consumer Finance classified as held for sale, the consumer finance businesses are no longer a part of the Group's businesses, and Huarong Consumer Finance constitutes a discontinued operation.

68.1 Profit or loss from the discontinued operation

	Year ended December 31	
	2021	2020
Interest income	1,238,095	1,099,878
Commission and fee income	35	780
Other income and other net gains or losses	103	1,788
Total	1,238,233	1,102,446
Interest expenses ⁽¹⁾	(131,416)	(180,743)
Commission and fee expenses	(342,292)	(285,882)
Operating expenses	(115,056)	(108,647)
Impairment losses under expected credit loss model	(413,153)	(381,259)
Total	(1,001,917)	(956,531)
Profit before tax from the discontinued operation	236,316	145,915
Income tax expense from the discontinued operation	3,012	4,981
Profit for the year from the discontinued operation	239,328	150,896
Earnings per share attributable to equity holders of the Company from the discontinued operation (Expressed in RMB Yuan per share)		
— Basic	0.004	0.003
— Diluted	0.004	0.003

(1) The amount of interest expenses had been deducted for offsetting related parties transactions with the Group. For the year ended 31 December 2021, interest expenses recognised for related party transactions between Huarong Consumer Finance and the Group was RMB218 million (2020: RMB145 million).

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

68. Discontinued operation (continued)

68.2 Net cash flows from the discontinued operation

	Year ended December 31	
	2021	2020
Net cash flow from/(used in) operating activities	10,871	(77,643)
Net cash flow used in investing activities	(2,318)	(1,170)
Net cash flow (used in)/from financing activities	(6,701)	293,751
Net cash inflow	<u>1,852</u>	<u>214,938</u>

68.3 Assets and liabilities held for sale

The major classes of assets and liabilities of Huarong Consumer Finance classified as held for sale as at 31 December 2021 are as follows:

	As at 31 December 2021
Assets	
Deposits with financial institutions	534,800
Loans and advances to customers	6,274,584
Property and equipment	1,341
Right-of-use assets	7,760
Deferred tax assets	134,700
Other assets	81,824
Total assets	<u>7,035,009</u>

	As at 31 December 2021
Liabilities	
Placements from financial institutions	200,959
Borrowings	1,489,238
Lease liabilities	7,764
Other liabilities	40,705
Total liabilities	<u>1,738,666</u>

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

69. Acquisition of subsidiaries

The Group acquired 59.26% shares in Huarong Rongda Futures through debt-to-equity business. On 30 April 2020, according to the resolutions of the Shareholders' meeting of Huarong Rongda Futures, the Company effectively control over the board of directors, thereby effectively obtained the control of Huarong Rongda Futures. Huarong Rongda Futures, which was previously known as CEFC Futures Co., Ltd. was established in Zhengzhou City, Henan Province, PRC and its principal activity is futures business.

The fair value and carrying amount of identifiable assets and liabilities of Huarong Rongda Futures as at the date of acquisition:

	As at 30 April	
	2020	2020
	Fair Value	Carrying amount
Deposits with financial institutions	2,390,576	2,390,576
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	119,704	119,704
Interests in associates and joint ventures	52,293	52,293
Investment properties	52,233	52,233
Property and equipment	38,184	14,982
Right-of-use assets	9,201	9,201
Other assets	399,674	400,647
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(586)	(586)
Lease liabilities	(8,509)	(8,509)
Deferred tax liabilities	(15,518)	(9,960)
Other liabilities	(1,909,745)	(1,909,745)
Total	<u>1,127,507</u>	<u>1,110,836</u>
Non-controlling interests	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Identifiable fair value share of net assets	668,116	
Goodwill arising on acquisition	<u>833,558</u>	
Consideration transferred ⁽¹⁾	<u>1,501,674</u>	

(1) The balance is the fair value of equity investment in Huarong Rongda Futures held by the Group as at 30 April 2020.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

69. Acquisition of subsidiaries (continued)

The financial performance and cash flows of Huarong Rongda Futures from the date of acquisition to 31 December 2020 are as follow:

	For the period from 30 April to 31 December 2020
Total income	531,910
Net profit for the period	1,813
Net cash flows for the period	<u>423,336</u>

An analysis of the net inflow of cash and cash equivalents in respect of the acquisition of Huarong Rongda Futures is as follow:

	As at 30 April 2020
Cash and cash equivalents held by Huarong Rongda Futures as at the acquisition date	1,293,105
Less: Cash consideration paid	<u>—</u>
Net cash inflow on the acquisition	<u>1,293,105</u>

70. Comparative amounts

The comparative consolidated statement of profit or loss has been re-presented as if the operation discontinued during the current year had been discontinued at the beginning of the comparative period.

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

71. Statement of financial position and changes in equity of the Company

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Assets		
Cash and balances with central bank	1,284	1,282
Deposits with financial institutions	88,081,045	56,035,319
Placements with financial institutions	18,606,934	3,003,302
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	230,932,543	231,478,624
Financial assets held under resale agreements	2,368,453	1,185,752
Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	22,222,092	34,684,226
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	629,432	458,968
Debt instruments at amortised cost	295,561,774	342,822,554
Amounts due from subsidiaries	94,398,024	70,215,146
Interests in consolidated structured entities	35,943,651	6,315,716
Investment properties	458,030	480,541
Property and equipment	558,105	626,981
Right-of-use assets	879,760	120,722
Deferred tax assets	11,178,613	8,417,135
Interests in associates	982,793	1,065,689
Interests in subsidiaries	17,839,777	18,469,777
Assets held for sale	630,000	—
Other assets	3,998,806	8,065,710
Total assets	825,271,116	783,447,444
Liabilities		
Placements from financial institutions	3,109,192	—
Borrowings	629,861,916	634,839,327
Tax payable	196,565	—
Lease liabilities	807,417	60,359
Bonds and notes issued	76,396,505	87,259,973
Other liabilities	46,835,405	37,435,129
Total liabilities	757,207,000	759,594,788

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

71. Statement of financial position and changes in equity of the Company (continued)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021 (continued)

	As at 31 December	
	2021	2020
Equity		
Share capital	80,246,679	39,070,208
Capital reserve	17,960,135	17,162,909
Surplus reserve	8,564,210	8,564,210
General reserve	11,353,388	11,353,388
Other reserves	1,124,624	1,377,809
Accumulated losses	(51,184,920)	(53,675,868)
Total equity	68,064,116	23,852,656
Total equity and liabilities	825,271,116	783,447,444

V. EXPLANATORY NOTES (continued)

71. Statement of financial position and changes in equity of the Company (continued)

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Share capital	Capital reserve	Surplus reserve	General reserve	Other reserves		Accumulated losses	Total
					Investment revaluation reserve	Others		
As at 1 January 2021	39,070,208	17,162,909	8,564,210	11,353,388	1,405,617	(27,808)	(53,675,868)	23,852,656
Profit for the year	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,538,429	2,538,429
Other comprehensive income for the year	—	—	—	—	(286,217)	(14,449)	—	(300,666)
Total comprehensive income for the year	—	—	—	—	(286,217)	(14,449)	2,538,429	2,237,763
Capital contribution from shareholders	41,176,471	805,333	—	—	—	—	—	41,981,804
Others	—	(8,107)	—	—	47,481	—	(47,481)	(8,107)
As at 31 December 2021	<u>80,246,679</u>	<u>17,960,135</u>	<u>8,564,210</u>	<u>11,353,388</u>	<u>1,166,881</u>	<u>(42,257)</u>	<u>(51,184,920)</u>	<u>68,064,116</u>

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Share capital	Capital reserve	Surplus reserve	General reserve	Other reserves		Retained earnings/ (Accumulated losses)	Total
					Investment revaluation reserve	Others		
As at 1 January 2020	39,070,208	17,136,824	8,564,210	10,267,972	2,824,643	(16,240)	48,654,859	126,502,476
Loss for the year	—	—	—	—	—	—	(100,704,007)	(100,704,007)
Other comprehensive income for the year	—	—	—	—	(1,530,558)	(11,568)	—	(1,542,126)
Total comprehensive expense for the year	—	—	—	—	(1,530,558)	(11,568)	(100,704,007)	(102,246,133)
Dividends declared	—	—	—	—	—	—	(429,772)	(429,772)
Appropriation to general reserve	—	—	—	1,085,416	—	—	(1,085,416)	—
Others	—	26,085	—	—	111,532	—	(111,532)	26,085
As at 31 December 2020	<u>39,070,208</u>	<u>17,162,909</u>	<u>8,564,210</u>	<u>11,353,388</u>	<u>1,405,617</u>	<u>(27,808)</u>	<u>(53,675,868)</u>	<u>23,852,656</u>

VI. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

1. On 5 January 2022, Huarong Industrial Investment & Management Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of the Company, issued a RMB800 million debt financing plan. This debt financing plan has a coupon interest rate of 5.50% per annum and will mature in 2023.
2. On 21 January 2022, the Company issued RMB25,240 million financial bonds maturing in 2027 with a coupon interest rate of 4.75% per annum.
3. On 27 January 2022, the Company entered into the State-owned Equity Transaction Contract (the “Contract”) with an independent third party, China Reform Capital Co., Ltd. (“China Reform Capital”), in relation to the transfer of 71.99% of its equity interests in Huarong Securities with a consideration of RMB10,933 million. The Contract shall become effective upon all the following conditions being met: 1) The Transfer has been considered and approved at the shareholders’ general meeting of the Company; 2) The Transfer to China Reform Capital has been approved by the State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the State Council; and 3) The Transfer and associated changes in shareholders and actual controlling party of Huarong Securities have been approved by the China Securities Regulatory Commission. On 25 March 2022, the Company publicly announced the approval of its first Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in 2022 to disposal of the equity interests in Huarong Securities, which is still subject to regulatory approval. As at 31 December 2021, the consolidated financial position of Huarong Securities is detailed in Note V.66.

VII. APPROVAL OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The consolidated financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors of the Company on 28 March 2022.

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By order of the Board
China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd.
WANG Zhanfeng
Chairman

Beijing, the PRC
March 28, 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. WANG Zhanfeng, Mr. LIANG Qiang and Mr. WANG Wenjie as executive directors; Ms. ZHAO Jiangping, Mr. ZHENG Jiangping and Mr. ZHOU Langlang as non-executive directors; Mr. TSE Hau Yin, Mr. SHAO Jingchun, Mr. ZHU Ning and Ms. CHEN Yuanling as independent non-executive directors.