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(the "Company")

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

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#### OUR MISSION

Technological innovation to empower a better life.

#### **OUR VISION**

Becoming an excellent world-class technology company.

#### WHO WE ARE

We are a globally leading IC design house for a diverse range of chips. We provide customers with a wide range of chips, including Flash, niche DRAM, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips, as well as a complete set of systems and solutions, including corresponding algorithms and software. We implement a fabless business model, focusing on IC design and R&D to maintain our technological leadership.

With continuous innovation, excellent supply chain management, a strict quality control system and rapid customer response capabilities, we have formed a positive cycle of "innovation — product — customer" and have always maintained our industry-leading position. Meanwhile, thanks to our diverse product portfolio, we continue to explore market demands with high quality customers across the globe, complete product definition, and provide the optimal "Sense, Memory, Compute, Control and Connectivity" (感存算控建) synergistic ecological solutions for consumer electronics, automobiles, industrial applications, PC and servers, IoT, network communications and other fields to meet various demands. Looking ahead, with the development of AI, we aim to build on our existing advantages and capture the growth opportunities brought by emerging demands in the AI field.

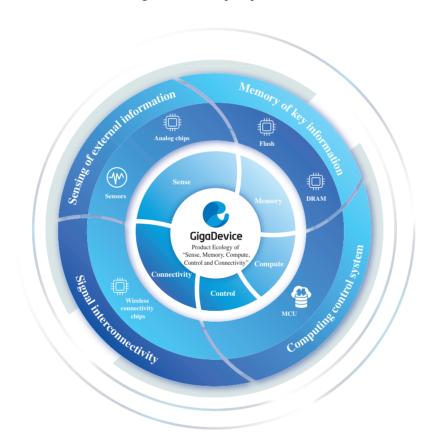
Founded in 2005, we have been deeply involved in the specialty memory chip industry for 20 years and the MCU field for 14 years. We have become a leading specialty memory chip and MCU company in mainland China and have created specialty memory chip and MCU brands with global influence. We always focus on value creation for customers and have formed a stable and prosperous global cooperation ecosystem. According to Frost & Sullivan, in terms of sales in 2024, we are the market leader in various fields and are the only IC design house that ranks top 10 globally in all NOR Flash, SLC NAND FLash, niche DRAM and MCU. In particular:

- NOR Flash. We ranked second globally and first in mainland China.
- SLC NAND Flash. We ranked sixth globally and first in mainland China.
- Niche DRAM. We ranked seventh globally and second in mainland China.

- *MCU*. We ranked eighth globally and first in mainland China.
- Fingerprint sensor chip. We ranked second in mainland China.

## **OUR BUSINESS**

As a globally leading IC design house for a diverse range of chips, we possess robust design capabilities for four major types of chips: specialty memory chips, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips. This forms the foundation of our "Sense, Memory, Compute, Control and Connectivity" synergistic ecological solutions. Due to the outstanding performance and state-of-the-art technology, our proprietary chips and innovative solutions are widely applied in various smart devices, exhibiting vast future prospects.



#### Specialty Memory Chips: Rich Product Portfolio with Industry Breakthroughs

Our specialty memory chips include three product lines: NOR Flash, NAND Flash and niche DRAM, forming a broad matrix of advanced products that can meet customers' demands for capacity, voltage and packaging for different applications. We have achieved full category coverage in consumer electronics, industrial applications, communications, automotive electronics and other fields.

Our NOR Flash holds a globally leading market position. According to Frost & Sullivan, in terms of sales in 2024, we ranked second globally and first in mainland China, with a market share of 18.5%. In 2019, we launched the first ultra-high-speed 8-channel SPI NOR Flash product in mainland China. The data throughput rate was around five times compared to that of the then existing products, making it one of the highest-performance NOR Flash products in the industry at that time. In 2020, we were the first in mainland China to roll out high-performance SPI NOR Flash with a capacity of up to 2Gb. This made us the first mainland China-based company to achieve full product line coverage from 512Kb to 2Gb. In 2024, we launched the first low-power series SPI NOR Flash in mainland China, with 1.2V low voltage and ultra-low power mode, significantly improving the endurance of small-capacity battery devices. In 2025, we were one of the first movers to achieve large-scale mass production of 45nm node SPI NOR Flash, with a significant improvement in storage density, and continued to maintain technological and market leadership. For NAND Flash, we focus on SLC NAND Flash, which features high efficiency, high reliability and low power consumption. They are mainly designed for industrial control, automotive electronics, communications equipment and other application scenarios that have strict requirements on duration, stability and reliability.

Our niche DRAM includes DDR3L/DDR4/LPDDR4, which feature low power consumption and small size. They are mainly used in various fields such as set-top boxes, TVs, network communications, smart home devices, smart wearables and infotainment systems. According to Frost & Sullivan, with our strong supply chain capabilities, the growth of our share in the global niche DRAM market is accelerating. The rise of edge-AI demand has put forward new requirements for customized memory solutions. We endeavor to provide customers with more customized memory solutions in terms of performance and energy consumption, ultimately reshaping the new form of edge storage. In July 2024, we established a subsidiary, CreMemory Technology, to keep abreast of customer needs and actively explore new technologies, new businesses, new markets and new products, including customized memory solutions.

## MCU: Building an "MCU Department Store" with the Broad Range of Products

As the leader in MCU products in China, we focus on 32-bit general-purpose MCU based on ARM® and RISC-V structures. We provide MCU featuring high performance, low power consumption and a high cost-to-performance ratio. Our MCU support a wide range of applications, including industrial applications (such as industrial automation, energy and power and medical equipment), consumer electronics and handheld devices, automotive electronics (such as car navigation, T-BOX, instrument and infotainment systems) and computing. According to Frost & Sullivan, we are the world's first company to launch and mass-produce 32-bit general-purpose MCU based on the RISC-V structure and the first company based in mainland China to launch the high-performance MCU based on the Arm® Cortex®-M7 architecture.

We continue to evolve the "MCU Department Store" concept. Based on the existing 63 series and more than 700 products, we endeavor to further improve R&D and engineering efficiency and continue to broaden our product lines. With years of technology accumulation

and market leadership, we aim to accelerate the development of core technologies and continue to deepen our presence in the industrial applications, automobile and other fields. Relying on flexible customization and rapid customer response capabilities, we have stridden towards the global mid- and high-end markets.

#### Analog and Sensor Chips: Organic Growth Combined with Strategic Acquisition

We primarily offer analog chips for general power supplies (such as DC-DC and LDO), special power supplies (such as headphone charging box power supplies and sweeping robot power supplies), motor drive products and temperature and humidity sensors. In 2024, we acquired Xysemi, a leading company in the lithium battery protection sector, to create strategic synergies with our own analog chips business in terms of technology, products, marketing, sales and supply chain. Our sensor chip offering mainly includes fingerprint recognition chips and touch sensor chips. We aim to continue to promote product optimization and upgrading and further expand our product portfolio in PC, wearable, mobile health, IoT and other fields.

Based on our four key product offerings and industry insights, we have built a diversified product portfolio that forms the foundation of our "Sense, Memory, Compute, Control and Connectivity" synergistic ecological solutions. This enables us to quickly respond to customers' needs, further enhance customer stickiness and improve our overall competitiveness and brand influence.

#### **OUR MARKET OPPORTUNITIES**

Edge AI is growing exponentially as the AI era arrives. According to Frost & Sullivan, 2025 is considered the inaugural annum of the edge computing power explosion epoch. Edge computing broadens the scope of AI applications, converting conventional devices into intelligent terminals endowed with autonomous decision-making capabilities, and further catalyzing the comprehensive evolution of core industries such as consumer electronics, industrial applications, automotive and humanoid robotics into the AI domain. This transformation in industry trend has brought historic development opportunities to industry players.

Looking ahead, as the penetration rate of various edge AI devices increases, industry players with diversified and comprehensive service capabilities will claim the high ground in the competition. With our diversified product portfolio and "Sense, Memory, Compute, Control and Connectivity" synergistic ecological solutions, we are able to rapidly respond to customers' needs and tap into various use cases. This endows us with the vantage point in capturing the significant growth potential brought by the AI revolution. See "Business – Overview – Our Market Opportunities."

#### RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

R&D are critical to maintaining our market-leading position and to the sustained growth of our business by ensuring that we can continue to meet the evolving downstream needs of our products. We have adopted the IPD framework that integrates our product business lines into a unified R&D process, guided by the key principles of market-driven development, quality-first, cross-department collaboration and continuous improvement. We are devoted to in-house R&D of core IPs for our products, while also sourcing mature licensed IPs externally to supplement our techniques and improve the overall performance of our products. See "Business – Research and Development."

#### SALES AND MARKETING

We sell our products mainly through distributors, while we also make direct sales to certain customers at their requests. We believe that consistently delivering high-quality products on time that meet and exceed our users' expectations is the most efficient sales and marketing approach for us. As such, our sales and marketing activities are focused on maintaining and expanding the scope of our strategic relationships with our direct and indirect customers. Under our IPD framework, our sales teams are actively involved in our product R&D process to ensure that we can deliver satisfactory products to our direct and indirect customers. See "Business – Sales and Marketing."

#### **CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS**

### **Our Customers**

Our customers are distributors and direct sales customers which mainly include manufacturers and sellers of electronic components.

In 2022, 2023 and 2024, sales to our five largest customers in each year during the Track Record Period amounted to RMB2,380.6 million, RMB1,766.5 million and RMB2,444.6 million, respectively, accounting for 29.3%, 30.6% and 33.3% of our total sales in the respective periods. In 2022, 2023 and 2024, sales to our largest customer in each year during the Track Record Period amounted to RMB575.7 million, RMB410.5 million and RMB558.3 million, accounting for 7.1%, 7.1% and 7.6% of our total sales in the respective periods. During the Track Record Period, to the best knowledge of our Directors, none of our Directors, their associates or any of our current Shareholders (who, to the knowledge of our Directors, own more than 5% of our share capital) had any interest in our five largest customers in any period during the Track Record Period that are required to be disclosed under the Listing Rules.

#### **Our Suppliers**

Our suppliers are mainly our foundry partners for IC fabrication and OSAT partners for IC testing and packaging.

In 2022, 2023 and 2024, purchases from our five largest suppliers in each year during the Track Record Period amounted to RMB4,090.6 million, RMB3,081.9 million and RMB3,696.9 million, respectively, accounting for 73.4%, 71.0% and 70.2% of our total purchases in the respective periods. In 2022, 2023 and 2024, purchases from our largest supplier in each year during the Track Record Period amounted to RMB1,369.8 million, RMB1,320.9 million and RMB1,356.2 million, accounting for 24.6%, 30.4% and 25.8% of our total purchases in the respective periods. Except for Supplier C, as disclosed in "Business – Production, Procurement, Inventory and Logistics – Our Suppliers – Top Five Suppliers," during the Track Record Period, to the best knowledge of our Directors, none of our Directors, their associates or any of our current Shareholders (who, to the knowledge of our Directors, own more than 5% of our share capital) had any interest in our five largest suppliers in any period during the Track Record Period that are required to be disclosed under the Listing Rules.

#### **OUR STRENGTHS**

We believe the following advantages position us well to seize future industry opportunities and achieve sustained growth.

- Global leadership in a diverse range of chip design;
- Diversification strategy and multi-track growth underpinning stable and sustainable operations;
- A stable and thriving global partnership ecosystem and an increasingly deepened global presence;
- Exceptional supply chain and service capabilities, enabling efficient and highquality delivery; and
- Visionary management team and an engineer culture surrounding continuous innovation

#### **OUR STRATEGIES**

Our mission is "Technological innovation to empower a better life," and we are committed to becoming an excellent world-class technology company. To achieve this goal, we will implement the following strategies:

- Fully embrace AI to seize the unprecedented opportunities in industry development;
- Advancing technological innovation, broadening product portfolio and expanding into emerging fields;
- Pursuing external growth through strategic and industry-related partnerships, investments and acquisitions;

- Accelerate our globalization to build a world-class technology brand; and
- Further our global top talent strategy to energize organizational vitality.

## **COMPETITION**

We operate in a highly competitive market, and we compete with other providers in the industry that we operate. Our ability to maintain and grow our market share depends on us competing effectively against our competitors. The competitive landscape is shaped by multiple factors, including the growth of our customers and their respective industries, advancements in technology, emergence of new materials or technology, production capacity, regulatory changes and general economic conditions. See "Industry Overview."

#### SUMMARY OF HISTORICAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The following tables sets forth summary financial data from our consolidated financial information during the Track Record Period. The summary financial data set forth below should be read together with, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, the consolidated financial statements as set out in the Accountants' Report in Appendix I to this document, including the related notes. Our consolidated financial information was prepared in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards.

#### **Results of Operations**

		Yo	ear Ended Dec	ember 31,		
	2022		2023		2024	
		(in RMB t	housands, exce	pt for perce	ntages)	
Revenue	<b>8,129,992</b> (4,432,776)	100.0% (54.5)%	<b>5,760,823</b> (4,014,515)	100.0 % (69.7)%	<b>7,355,978</b> (4,732,760)	100.0% (64.3)%
Gross profit	3,697,216	45.5%	1,746,308	30.3%	2,623,218	35.7%
Other income	519,300	6.4%	424,401	7.4%	549,914	7.5%
expenses	(265,878)	(3.3)%	(270,498)	(4.7)%	(370,907)	(5.0)%
Administrative expenses	(498,549)	(6.1)%	(397,553)	(6.9)%	(525,678)	(7.1)%
Research and development						
expenses	(935,584)	(11.5)%	(989,953)	(17.2)%	(1,122,389)	(15.3)%
other receivables	(743)	(0.0)%	(820)	(0.0)%	(3,667)	(0.0)%
assets	_	_	(2,630)	(0.0)%	_	_
Impairment loss on goodwill	(241,491)	(3.0)%	(373,372)	(6.5)%		
Profit from operations	2,274,271	28.0%	135,883	2.4%	1,150,491	15.6%

		Yea	r Ended Dece	mber 31,		
	2022		2023		2024	
		(in RMB the	ousands, excep	t for percer	ıtages)	
Finance costs	(7,889)	(0.1)%	(7,115)	(0.1)%	(19,253)	(0.3)%
associates	(3,957)	(0.0)%	(4,020)	(0.1)%	(7,575)	(0.1)%
Profit before taxation	2,262,425	27.8%	124,748	2.2%	1,123,663	15.3%
Income tax	(209,543)	(2.6)%	36,393	0.6%	(22,782)	(0.3)%
Profit for the year	2,052,882	<u>25.3</u> %	<u>161,141</u>	<u>2.8</u> %	1,100,881	15.0 %
Attributable to:						
Equity shareholders of the Company	2,052,882	25.3%	161,141 -	2.8%	1,102,543 (1,662)	15.0% (0.0)%

#### **Non-IFRS Measures**

To supplement our consolidated financial statements that are presented in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards, we also use non-IFRS measures, including adjusted net profit (a non-IFRS measure) and adjusted net profit margin (a non-IFRS measure), as additional financial metrics, which are not required by, or presented in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards. We believe that these non-IFRS measures facilitate comparisons of operating performance from period to period by eliminating potential impact of certain items. We believe that these measures provide useful information to investors and others in understanding and evaluating our consolidated financial statements in the same manner as they help our management. However, our presentation of adjusted net profit (a non-IFRS measure) and adjusted net profit margin (a non-IFRS measure) may not be comparable to similar item measures presented by other companies. The use of these non-IFRS measures has limitations as an analytical tool, and you should not consider them in isolation from, or as substitute for analysis of, our consolidated financial statements or financial condition as reported under IFRS Accounting Standards. We define adjusted net profit (a non-IFRS measure) as profit for the year adjusted for share-based payments and [REDACTED] expenses. We define adjusted net profit margin (a non-IFRS measure) as adjusted net profit (a non-IFRS measure) as a percentage of our total revenue.

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2022	2023	2024			
	(in RMB thousands, except for percentages					
Profit for the year	2,052,882	161,141	1,100,881			
Share-based payment expenses	203,181	97,138	159,034			
[REDACTED] expenses						
Adjusted net profit (a non-IFRS measure).	2,256,063	258,279	1,259,915			
Adjusted net profit margin (a non-IFRS						
measure)	27.7%	4.5%	17.1%			

#### Revenue

During the Track Record Period, we primarily generated revenue from the sales of specialty memory chips, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips. Our revenue was recorded net of rebate.

## By Product

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2022		2023		2024	
		(in RMB t	housands, exce	pt for perce	entages)	
Specialty memory chips	4,825,856	59.3%	4,077,311	70.8%	5,194,173	70.6%
MCU	2,825,357	34.8%	1,312,209	22.8%	1,690,547	23.0%
Sensor chips	434,974	5.4%	352,449	6.1%	448,300	6.1%
Analog chips	3,851	0.0%	4,604	0.1%	15,468	0.2%
Others <sup>(1)</sup>	39,954	0.5%	14,250	0.2%	7,490	0.1%

100.0% 5,760,823

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Note:

Including technical services and license fees for our IPs.

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2022		2023		2024	
	Sales volume	Average Selling Price <sup>(1)</sup>	Sales volume	Average Selling Price <sup>(1)</sup>	Sales volume	Average Selling Price <sup>(1)</sup>
	(Unit'000)	(RMB)	(Unit'000)	(RMB)	(Unit'000)	(RMB)
Specialty memory chips	2,259,645	2.14	2,655,166	1.54	3,553,167	1.46
MCU	343,535	8.22	276,089	4.75	409,251	4.13
Sensor chips	157,130	2.77	178,811	1.97	267,983	1.67
Analog chips	2,796	1.38	11,625	0.40	131,183	0.12

Note:

(1) Average selling price is calculated through dividing revenue by the relevant sales volume during the same year, which represented the average price at which our products were sold to our customers.

According to Frost & Sullivan, the overall semiconductor industry was at a downturn phase in 2022 and 2023, featured by inventory buildup, weak consumer demand and falling price across different products. In 2024, the industry began to show signs of an uneven recovery across certain end markets, while the competition in those markets was still intense. Affected by such cyclical downturns and uneven recovery across different end markets during the Track Record Period, the sales volume of our different products experienced fluctuation during the same period, and the selling prices of our products declined sharply from 2022 to 2023, followed by a slowdown in the downward trend and signs of stabilization in 2024. As a result, our revenue decreased from RMB8,130.0 million in 2022 to RMB5,760.8 million in 2023, and increased to RMB7,356.0 million in 2024.

## **Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margin**

## By Product

		Y	ear Ended De	cember 31,		
	2022		2023		2024	
	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin
		(in RMB i	thousands, exc	ept for perce	ntages)	
Specialty memory chips	1,934,749	40.1%	1,344,959	33.0%	2,091,500	40.3%
MCU	1,833,903	64.9%	569,404	43.4%	621,085	36.7%
Sensor chips	71,168	16.4%	56,382	16.0%	73,797	16.5%
Analog chips	959	24.9%	(1,923)	(41.8%)	1,628	10.5%
Others	33,857	84.7%	14,193	99.6%	7,343	98.0%
Subtotal/Overall	3,874,636	47.7%	1,983,015	34.4%	2,795,353	38.0%
Write-down of inventories	(177,420)	N/A	(236,707)	N/A	(172,135)	N/A
Total/Overall	3,697,216	45.5%	1,746,308	30.3%	2,623,218	35.7%

See "Financial Information – Period-to-period Comparison of Results of Operations."

## **Summary of Consolidated Statements of Financial Position**

	As of December 31,			
	2022	2023	2024	
	(	in RMB thousands)		
Non-current assets	5,232,044	4,852,823	6,794,033	
Current assets	11,414,643	11,602,957	12,434,797	
Current liabilities	1,196,664	986,175	2,330,507	
Net current assets	10,217,979	10,616,782	10,104,290	
Total assets less current liabilities	15,450,023 262,883	15,469,605 270,032	16,898,323 219,546	
Net assets	15,187,140	15,199,573	16,678,777	
Total equity	15,187,140	15,199,573	16,678,777	

See "Financial Information – Selected Items of Consolidated Statements of Financial Position."

## **Cash Flows**

The table below sets forth our cash flows for the periods indicated.

_	Year Ended December 31,				
	2022	2023	2024		
	(in	RMB thousands)			
Operating profit before working capital changes	2,936,269 (1,617,074)	965,034 229,792	1,658,569 368,892		
Income tax (paid)/refunded	(369,504)	(8,077)	4,769		
Net cash generated from operating activities .  Net cash used in investing activities  Net cash (used in)/generated from financing	949,691 (43,724)	1,186,749 (294,903)	2,032,230 (669,335)		
activities	(780,313)	(572,601)	480,384		
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents .	125,654	319,245	1,843,279		
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	6,546,991	6,787,205	7,130,888		
Effects of foreign exchange rate changes	114,560	24,438	129,992		
Cash and cash equivalents at					
the end of the year	6,787,205	7,130,888	9,104,159		

See "Financial Information - Cash Flow."

## **KEY FINANCIAL RATIOS**

_	Year Ended/As of December 31,				
-	2022	2023	2024		
Gross profit margin <sup>(1)</sup>	45.5%	30.3%	35.7%		
Profit margin <sup>(2)</sup>	25.3%	2.8%	15.0%		
Adjust net profit margin (a non-IFRS					
measure)	27.7%	4.5%	17.1%		
Current ratio <sup>(3)</sup>	9.5	11.8	5.3		
Quick ratio <sup>(4)</sup>	7.7	9.7	4.3		

Notes:

- $(1) \qquad \text{Gross profit margin is calculated as revenue minus cost of sales divided by revenue, then multiplied by 100\%.}$
- (2) Profit margin is calculated as net profit divided by revenue, then multiplied by 100%.
- (3) Current ratio is calculated based on the total current assets divided by the total current liabilities as at the end of the respective year.
- (4) Quick ratio is calculated as total current assets less inventories divided by the total current liabilities as at the end of the respective year.

#### [REDACTED] EXPENSES

[REDACTED] expenses represent professional fees, [REDACTED] commission and fees incurred in connection with the [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED]. Our [REDACTED] expenses are estimated to be approximately HK\$[REDACTED] (including [REDACTED] commission) accounting for [REDACTED]% of the gross [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED], assuming that an [REDACTED] of HK\$[REDACTED] per Share (being the mid-point of the [REDACTED] range stated in this document). Among our [REDACTED] expenses, approximately HK\$[REDACTED] is directly attributable to the issuance of Shares and will be charged to equity upon completion of the [REDACTED], and approximately HK\$[REDACTED] has been or will be charged to our consolidated statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income. The [REDACTED] expenses we expect to incur would consist of approximately HK\$[REDACTED] related expenses and fees (including [REDACTED] commissions, SFC transaction levy, Stock Exchange trading fee and AFRC transaction levy), approximately HK\$[REDACTED] non-[REDACTED]-related expenses and fees including fees for the Joint Sponsors, legal advisors and reporting accountants and approximately HK\$[REDACTED] for other non-[REDACTED]-related fees and expenses. During the Track Record Period, we did not incur any [REDACTED] expenses.

The [REDACTED] expenses above are the latest practicable estimate for reference only, and the actual amount may differ from this estimate.

#### RISK FACTORS

We face risks including those set out in the section headed "Risk Factors." As different investors may have different interpretations and criteria when determining the significance of risks, you should read the "Risk Factors" section in its entirety before you decide to invest in our H Shares. Some of the major risks that we face include:

- If we fail to properly anticipate or respond to changing market conditions, or develop and introduce new or enhanced products on a timely basis, our ability to attract and retain customers could be impaired and our competitive position could be harmed:
- Our performance is subject to fluctuations in demand from downstream industries that adopt our products and the prices of the end products;
- Our R&D efforts are not guaranteed to yield the results we anticipate;
- We rely on third parties for IC fabrication, testing and packaging;
- We face competition and expect to continue facing competition in the future. If we
  fail to compete effectively, our business, prospects, results of operations and
  financial condition will be materially and adversely affected;

- The markets in which we compete have historically been cyclical and have experienced downturns with declines in average selling prices;
- If our products do not meet our customers' quality standards, our business and financial condition may be negatively impacted;
- Our patents and other non-patented intellectual properties are valuable assets, and if
  we are unable to protect them from infringement, our business prospects may be
  harmed;
- Our business depends on the continuing efforts of our key personnel performing vital functions; and
- Our business is subject to legal, regulatory, political, economic, commercial and other risks associated with conducting operations in various jurisdictions.

## FUTURE PLANS AND USE OF [REDACTED]

Assuming an [REDACTED] of HK\$[REDACTED] per H Share (being the midpoint of the range of the [REDACTED] stated in this document), we estimate that we will receive net [REDACTED] of approximately HK\$[REDACTED] from the [REDACTED] after deducting the [REDACTED] commissions and other estimated expenses in connection with the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised). We intend to use our [REDACTED] for the purposes and in the amounts set forth below.

- approximately [REDACTED]%, or HK\$[REDACTED], will be used for continuous enhancement of our R&D capabilities;
- approximately [REDACTED]%, or HK\$[REDACTED], will be used for the strategic and industry-related investment and acquisition;
- approximately [REDACTED]%, or HK\$[REDACTED], will be used for our global strategic expansion, including the enhancement of our global sales and service network, as well as improvement of our operational efficiency; and
- approximately [**REDACTED**]%, or HK\$[**REDACTED**], will be used for working capital and other general corporate purposes.

See "Future Plans and Use of [REDACTED]."

### [REDACTED] STATISTICS

The statistics in the following table are based on the assumptions that (i) the [REDACTED] has been completed and [REDACTED] H Shares are newly issued in the [REDACTED], (ii) the [REDACTED] for the [REDACTED] are not exercised, and (iii) no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans:

	Based on an [REDACTED] of HK\$[REDACTED] per H Share	Based on an [REDACTED] of HK\$[REDACTED] per H Share
Market capitalization of our H Shares <sup>(1)</sup>	HK\$[REDACTED]	HK\$[REDACTED]
	HK\$85,877.8	HK\$85,877.8
Market capitalization of our A shares <sup>(2)</sup>	million	million
Unaudited [REDACTED] adjusted net tangible assets per	HK\$[REDACTED]	HK\$[REDACTED]
Share <sup>(3)(4)</sup>	RMB[REDACTED]) (	RMB[REDACTED])

Notes:

- (1) The calculation of market capitalization of our H shares is based on [REDACTED] H Shares expected to be issued immediately following the completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised).
- (2) The calculation of market capitalization of our A shares is based on the average closing price of the A Shares of RMB118.49 per A Share for the five business days immediately preceding the Latest Practicable Date and the total share capital of 664,059,190 A Shares as of the Latest Practicable Date and excluding 603,020 A Shares held by us as treasury shares as of the Latest Practicable Date. For illustrative purpose, the market capitalization of our A shares have been converted into HK\$ with an exchange rate of RMB1 to HK\$1.09245.
- (3) The unaudited [REDACTED] adjusted net tangible assets per Share is arrived at after adjustments referred to in "Appendix II Unaudited [REDACTED] Financial Information" in this document and on the basis that [REDACTED] Shares (being 664,124,105 Shares in issue as of December 31, 2024, deducting repurchased ordinary shares held by us and unvested restricted shares under the 2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan as at December 31, 2024 of 3,041,293 Shares and adding [REDACTED] H Shares to be issued pursuant to the [REDACTED]) were in issue immediately following the completion of the [REDACTED], and does not take into account any H shares which may be issued upon the exercise of the [REDACTED] and any Shares that may be issued under the Share Incentive Plans.
- (4) No adjustment has been made to reflect any trading results or other transactions of us entered into subsequent to December 31, 2024, including but not limited to the dividends of RMB225,458,420 (representing the total dividend declared on May 16, 2025 and adjusted on June 7, 2025 which amounted to approximately RMB225,575,098 less the dividend of RMB116,678 in respect of the unvested restricted shares). Had such dividends been declared on December 31, 2024, the [REDACTED] adjusted net tangible assets would have decreased by approximately by RMB225,458,420 and the [REDACTED] adjusted net tangible assets per Share would have decreased by approximately RMB[REDACTED] (equivalent to HK\$[REDACTED]).

#### DIVIDEND POLICY

Subject to PRC laws and regulations, including the PRC Company Law (《中華人民共和國公司法》) and the No. 3 Guideline for the Supervision of Listed Companies – Cash Dividend Distribution of Listed Companies (2025 Revision) (《上市公司監管指引第3號—上市公司現金分紅(2025年修訂)》), and Articles 162 to 164 of the Articles of Association, we shall distribute no less than 20% of the distributable profits realized in a given year in the form of cash dividends each year. Moreover, over any consecutive three-year period, the total cash dividends distributed shall be no less than 60% of the average annual distributable profits realized during those three years.

During the Track Record Period, we have declared dividends. See note 31 to "Appendix I – Accountants' Report." Future profit distributions may be carried out in the form of cash dividends or stock dividends or a combination of cash dividends and stock dividends. Any proposed distribution of dividends is subject to the discretion of our Board and the approval at our Shareholders' meetings. Our Board may recommend a distribution of dividends in the future after taking into account industry characteristics, stage of development, business model, profitability, and whether there are significant capital expenditure plans and any other conditions that our Board may deem relevant.

#### LISTING ON THE SHANGHAI STOCK EXCHANGE

Since August 2016, the A Shares of the Company have been listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange. The Directors confirm that, during the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, there had been no instances of material non-compliance of the Company with the applicable rules of the Shanghai Stock Exchange and other applicable PRC securities laws and regulations. To the best knowledge of the Directors, there are no material matters in relation to the compliance record of the Company on the Shanghai Stock Exchange that should be brought to the attention of the Stock Exchange or potential investors of the [REDACTED]. As advised by the PRC Legal Advisor, during the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, the Company has not been subject to any material administrative penalties or regulatory measures imposed by the CSRC, the Shanghai Stock Exchange or other PRC securities regulatory authorities. Based on the independent due diligence conducted by the Joint Sponsors and the PRC Legal Advisor's view above, no material matter has come to the Joint Sponsors' attention that would cause them to disagree with the Directors' confirmation with regard to the compliance records of the Company on the Shanghai Stock Exchange.

## RECENT DEVELOPMENT AND NO MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE

Our Directors confirmed that, as of the date of this document, there has been no material adverse change in our financial position since December 31, 2024, and there has been no event since December 31, 2024 that would materially affect the information as set out in the Accountants' Report in Appendix I to this document.

In this document, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms and expressions shall have the meanings set out below. Certain other terms are explained in "Glossary of Technical Terms" in this document.

"2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan"	the stock option incentive plan under the 2020 Stock Option and Restrict Share Incentive Plan of the Company approved by the Shareholders' meeting on January 14, 2021
"2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan"	the restricted Share incentive plan under the 2021 Stock Option and Restrict Share Incentive Plan of the Company approved by the Shareholders' meeting on July 26, 2021
"2021 Stock Option Incentive Plan"	the stock option incentive plan under the 2021 Stock Option and Restrict Share Incentive Plan of the Company approved by the Shareholders' meeting on July 26, 2021
"2023 Stock Option Incentive Plan"	the 2023 Stock Option Incentive Plan of the Company approved by the Shareholders' meeting on July 20, 2023
"2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan"	the 2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan of the Company approved by the Shareholders' meeting on May 14, 2024
"A Share(s)"	ordinary shares issued by the Company, with a nominal value of RMB1.00 each, which are listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange and traded in Renminbi
"Accountants' Report"	the accountants' report of the Company, the text of which is set out in Appendix I to this document
"Acting-in-Concert Undertaking"	the undertaking to keep acting-in-concert with Mr. Zhu Yiming issued by InfoGrid Limited (香港贏富得有限公司), details of which are set out in "History and Corporate Structure — Acting-in-Concert Undertaking" in this document
"affiliate(s)"	with respect to any specified person, any other person, directly or indirectly, controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified person

Accounting and Financial Reporting Council

"AFRC"

DEFIN	ITIONS
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"Articles" or "Articles of Association"

the articles of association of the Company with effect upon the [REDACTED] (as amended from time to time), a summary of which is set out in Appendix III to this document

"associate(s)"

has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules

"Audit Committee"

the audit committee of the Board

"Board" or "Board of Directors"

the board of Directors of the Company

"Business Day"

a day on which banks in Hong Kong are generally open for normal business to the public and which is not a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in Hong Kong

"CAC"

Cyberspace Administration of China (中華人民共和國國 家互聯網信息辦公室)

## [REDACTED]

"China", "mainland China" or "the PRC"

the People's Republic of China, unless the context requires otherwise, excluding, for the purposes of this document only, the regions of Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan of the People's Republic of China

"close associate(s)"

has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules

"Companies Ordinance"

the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong), as amended, supplemented or otherwise

modified from time to time

"Companies (Winding Up and **Miscellaneous Provisions**) Ordinance" or "CWUMPO"

the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance (Chapter 32 of the Laws of Hong Kong), as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time

GigaDevice Semiconductor Inc. (兆易創新科技集團股份有限公司), a limited liability company established in the PRC on April 6, 2005 which was converted into a joint stock company with limited liability on December 28, 2012, formerly known as Beijing GigaDevice Microelectronic Technology Co., Ltd. (北京芯技佳易微電子科技有限公司), GigaDevice Semiconductor (Beijing) Co., Ltd. (北京兆易創新科技有限公司) and GigaDevice Semiconductor (Beijing) Inc. (北京兆易創新

科技股份有限公司)

"Compliance Advisor" Altus Capital Limited

"Company"

"connected person(s)" has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules

"connected transaction(s)" has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules

"core connected person(s)" has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules

"CreMemory Technology" CreMemory Technology Co., Ltd. (北京青耘科技有限公

司), a limited liability company established in the PRC on July 31, 2024 and a non-wholly-owned subsidiary of the

Company

"CSRC" China Securities Regulatory Commission (中國證券監督

管理委員會)

"**Director(s)**" the director(s) of the Company

"EIT" enterprise income tax

"EIT Law" the PRC Enterprise Income Tax Law (《中華人民共和國

企業所得税法》)

"ESG" environmental, social and governance

"Extreme Conditions"

extreme conditions as announced by the government of Hong Kong in the case where a super typhoon or other natural disaster of a substantial scale seriously affect the working public's ability to resume work or brings safety concern for a prolonged period

### [REDACTED]

"Frost & Sullivan"

Frost & Sullivan (Beijing) Inc., Shanghai Branch Co., an independent market research and consulting company

## [REDACTED]

"GigaDevice Hefei"

GigaDevice Semiconductor (Hefei) Inc. (合肥格易集成電路有限公司), a limited liability company established in the PRC on March 13, 2014 and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company

"GigaDevice Shanghai"

GigaDevice Semiconductor (Shanghai) Inc. (上海格易電子有限公司), a limited liability company established in the PRC on February 16, 2012 and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company

"GigaDevice Xi'an"

GigaDevice Semiconductor (Xi'an) Inc. (西安格易安創集成電路有限公司), a limited liability company established in the PRC on November 24, 2017 and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company

#### [REDACTED]

"Group," "we," "our" or "us"

the Company and its subsidiaries, or any one of them as the context may require, and where the context requires, the businesses operated by the Company and/or its subsidiaries and their predecessors (if any)

"Guide" or "Guide for New Listing Applicants"

the Guide for New Listing Applicants issued by the Stock Exchange effective from January 1, 2024, as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time

"H Share(s)"

[REDACTED] ordinary share(s) in the share capital of the Company with a nominal value of RMB1.00 each, which are to be subscribed for and [REDACTED] in Hong Kong dollars and to be [REDACTED] on the Stock Exchange

## [REDACTED]

"Hefei Guojing"

Hefei Guojing Venture Capital Partnership (Limited Partnership) (合肥國晶創業投資合夥企業(有限合夥)), a limited liability partnership established in the PRC on November 26, 2024 and a shareholder of Xysemi

"Hefei Guozheng"

Hefei Guozheng Duoze Industry Investment Partnership (Limited Partnership) (合肥國正多澤產業投資合夥企業 (有限合夥)), a limited liability partnership established in the PRC on November 11, 2022 and a shareholder of Xysemi

"Hefei SCVC"

Hefei State-owned Capital Venture Capital Co., Ltd. (合肥國有資本創業投資有限公司), a limited liability company established in the PRC on June 4, 2024

## [REDACTED]

"Hong Kong" or "HK" the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC

"Hong Kong dollars" or "HK\$" Hong Kong dollars and cents respectively, the lawful currency of Hong Kong

"Hong Kong Stock Exchange" or "Stock Exchange"

The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, a whollyowned subsidiary of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited

## [REDACTED]

"IFRS Accounting Standards"

IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International

Accounting Standards Board

"Independent Third Party(ies)"

any person(s) or entity(ies) who is not a connected person of the Company within the meaning of the Listing Rules

## [REDACTED]

"Joint Sponsors" the joint sponsors as named in the section headed

"Directors and Parties Involved in the [REDACTED]"

"Latest Practicable Date" June 10, 2025, being the latest practicable date for the

purpose of ascertaining certain information contained in

this document prior to its publication

## [REDACTED]

"Listing Rules" or "Hong Kong the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Listing Rules" Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, as amended,

supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time

"Macau" the Macau Special Administrative Region of the PRC

"Main Board" the stock exchange (excluding the option market)

operated by the Stock Exchange which is independent from and operates in parallel with the GEM of the Stock

Exchange

	DEFINITIONS		
"MIIT"	Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of the PRC (中華人民共和國工業和信息化部)		
"MOF"	Ministry of Finance of the PRC (中華人民共和國財政部)		
"Nomination Committee"	the nomination committee of the Board		
"NPC"	the National People's Congress of the PRC (中華人民共和國全國人民代表大會)		

DEFINITIONS				
"Overseas Listing Trial Measures"	The Trial Administrative Measures of Overseas Securities Offering and Listing by Domestic Companies (《境內企業境外發行證券和上市管理試行辦法》) promulgated by the CSRC on February 17, 2023 and became effective on March 31, 2023			
"PRC Company Law"	the Company Law of the People's Republic of China (中華人民共和國公司法), as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time			
"PRC GAAP"	generally accepted accounting principles of the PRC			
"PRC Legal Advisor"	King & Wood Mallesons, the PRC legal advisor to the Company			
"PRC Securities Law"	the Securities Law of the PRC (中華人民共和國證券法), as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time			

"Regulation S"	Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act		
"Remuneration and Appraisal Committee"	the remuneration and appraisal committee of the Board		
"RMB" or "Renminbi"	Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC		
"SAFE"	the State Administration of Foreign Exchange of the PRC (中華人民共和國外匯管理局)		
"SAMR"	the State Administration for Market Regulation of the PRC (中華人民共和國國家市場監督管理總局)		
"SCNPC"	the Standing Committee of the NPC (中華人民共和國全國人民代表大會常務委員會)		
"Securities and Futures Commission" or "SFC"	the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong		

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"SFO" the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the

Laws of Hong Kong), as amended, supplemented or

otherwise modified from time to time

"Share(s)" ordinary share(s) in the capital of the Company with a

nominal value of RMB1.00 each, including A Shares and

H Shares

"Share Incentive Plans" the 2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan, the 2021 Stock

Option Incentive Plan, the 2021 Restrict Share Incentive Plan, the 2023 Stock Option Incentive Plan and the 2024

Stock Option Incentive Plan

"Shareholder(s)" holder(s) of the Share(s)

"Silead" Silead Inc. (上海思立微電子科技有限公司), a limited

liability company established in the PRC on January 27, 2011 and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company

"Singapore dollar(s)" or "S\$" Singapore dollar, the lawful currency of the Republic of

Singapore

"STA" the State Taxation Administration of the PRC (中華人民

共和國國家税務總局)

[REDACTED]

"State Council" the State Council of the PRC (中華人民共和國國務院)

"Stock Option Incentive Plans" the 2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan, the 2021 Stock

Option Incentive Plan, the 2023 Stock Option Incentive

Plan and the 2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan

"Stony Creek Capital" Hefei Stony Creek GigaDevice Chuangzhi Venture

Capital Fund Partnership (Limited Partnership) (合肥石 溪兆易創智創業投資基金合夥企業(有限合夥)), a limited liability partnership established in the PRC on April 3,

2024 and a shareholder of Xysemi

"Stony Creek Capital the undertaking to entrust certain shareholder's rights in Undertaking" Xysemi to the Company by Stony Creek Capital, details

Xysemi to the Company by Stony Creek Capital, details of which are set out in "History and Corporate Structure

— Major Acquisition" in this document

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"Strategy and Sustainable the strategy and sustainable development committee of **Development Committee**" the Board "subsidiary(ies)" has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules "substantial shareholder(s)" has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules "Takeovers Code" the Codes on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Buybacks issued by the SFC, as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time "Track Record Period" the financial years ended December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024 has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Hong Kong "treasury shares"

#### [REDACTED]

Listing Rules

"United States" or "U.S."	the United States of America, its territories and possessions, any State of the United States, and the District of Columbia	
"U.S. dollar(s)", "US\$" or "USD"	United States dollar, the lawful currency of the United States	
"U.S. Securities Act"	the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder	
"VAT"	value-added tax	
"XC Memory"	XC Memory Co., Ltd. (珠海橫琴芯存半導體有限公司), a limited liability company established in the PRC on July 11, 2024 and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company	

	DEFINITIONS		
"Xysemi"	Suzhou Xysemi Electronic Technology Co., Ltd. (蘇州賽 芯電子科技有限公司), a limited liability company established in the PRC on February 27, 2009 and a non-wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company		
"Xysemi Acting-in-Concert Agreement"	the acting-in-concert agreement entered into among the Company, Hefei SCVC and Hefei Guozheng, details of which are set out in "History and Corporate Structure — Major Acquisition" in this document		
"%"	per cent		

Unless otherwise stated, 603,020 repurchased A Shares which were held as treasury shares by the Company as of the Latest Practicable Date have been included in the total number of issued shares of the Company as of the Latest Practicable Date and immediately after completion of the [REDACTED].

"ADC" analog-to-digital converter, a chip that converts an analog signal, such as a sound picked up by a microphone or light entering a digital camera, into a digital signal "ADAS" advanced driver assistance systems, a system that enhances driving safety and convenience through advanced vehicle technology "AEC-Q100" a qualification test sequence for integrated circuits developed by the Automotive Electronics Council (AEC), which is designed to ensure the reliability and quality of ICs used in automotive applications by subjecting them to a series of stress tests and reliability assessments "AI" artificial intelligence "AIPC" AI-powered PC, feature dedicated NPUs for AI workloads, utilizing a CPU+GPU+NPU architecture and system-level AI integration to enable on-device large model inference "AI Earbuds" earphones capable of achieving real-time translation, noise cancellation optimization, and health monitoring through voice interaction "AI Glasses" smart wearable devices capable of realizing real-time translation, AR navigation, and information reminders through voice/gesture interaction "AI Smartphone" smartphones capable of localizing the deployment of cloud-based large model capabilities, equipped with high-performance mobile chips that meet AI computing demands, and integrated with deep learning frameworks and system-level AI functions "analog chip" a chip that processes and manipulates continuous, timevarying electrical signals representing real-world phenomena "AMOLED" active matrix organic light emitting diode, a high-quality display technology known for being brighter, thinner, and more power-efficient

"AR" augmented reality, a technology that overlays digital information, such as images, sounds and other data, onto the real-world environment in real-time, enhancing the user's perception and interaction with the surroundings "ARM®" advanced RISC machine, a processor architecture based on the reduced instruction set, with low power consumption and high energy efficiency as its core goals. ARM® represents a registered trademark "ASIC" application-specific integrated circuit, an integrated circuit designed for specific purposes and manufactured for specific user requirements and electronic systems "ASIL" automotive safety integrity levels, a risk classification scheme defined in the ISO 26262 standard, which assesses the potential hazards of automotive systems by performing a risk analysis based on three factors: Severity, Exposure, and Controllability "BIOS" basic input/output system, a basic software system that initializes hardware and loads the operating system on a computer "CAGR" compound annual growth rate "CPCA" China Passenger Car Association "CPU" central processing unit, an integrated circuit that serves as the computational and control core of an electronic product "DC-DC" a type of power converter that transforms a source of direct current (DC) from one voltage level to another "DDR" double data rate, a type of computer memory technology that allows for faster data transfer speeds by transferring data on both the rising and falling edges of the clock cycle "DRAM" dynamic random access memory, a type of volatile memory used in computers and other devices to store data that is actively being used or processed, requiring periodic refreshing to maintain the stored information

"edge AI" a technology paradigm that combines the capabilities of AI with edge computing, deploying AI algorithms and models directly on edge devices, such as IoT sensors, smartphones, industrial machines and other local computing devices "eMCP" embedded multi-chip package, a chip that combines flash storage and memory to save space and improve device performance "edge computing" a distributed computing model that brings computation and data storage closer to the sources of data which are the edge devices such as IoT sensors, smartphones, industrial machines and other local computing devices "EV" electric vehicle, a vehicle that is powered entirely or primarily by electricity, typically using a battery and electric motor instead of an internal combustion engine "Flash" a type of non-volatile semiconductor memory chip, which retains stored information even when powered off, featuring the ability to be repeatedly read, erased and written, and is considered a major category of memory products "GB" gigabyte, a unit of digital information equal to one billion bytes "Gh" gigabit, a unit of digital information equal to one billion bits "IATF" International Automotive Task Force, a coalition of automotive manufacturers and trade dedicated to establishing global quality standards for the automotive industry, exemplified by the IATF 16949

certification

"Integrated Circuit" or "IC" integrated circuit, a type of miniature electronic device or component, manufactured using semiconductor techniques, integrating all the necessary transistors, resistors, capacitors, inductors and their connecting wires for a circuit onto a small semiconductor wafer (such as a silicon chip or substrate), which is then soldered and encapsulated within a casing to form an electronic device with the desired circuit functions "ICEV" internal combustion engine vehicle, a vehicle that is powered by burning fossil fuels such as gasoline or diesel in an internal combustion engine to generate propulsion "IMF" International Monetary Fund "IoT" internet of things, a network of interconnected devices that communicate and exchange data with each other over the internet "IPD" integrated product development, a systematic approach to product development that emphasizes the concurrent design of products and their related processes, including manufacturing and support "IPTV" Internet protocol television, a system through which television services are delivered using the Internet protocol suite over a packet-switched network such as the Internet, instead of being delivered through traditional terrestrial, satellite, and cable television formats "KB" kilobyte, a unit of digital information equal to one thousand bytes "Kb" kilobit, a unit of digital information equal to one thousand bits "LDO" low-dropout regulator, a type of a DC linear voltage regulator circuit that can operate even when the supply voltage is very close to the output voltage "LPDDR" low power double data rate, a type of synchronous dynamic random-access memory that consumes less

power than other random access memory designs

"MB" megabyte, a unit of digital information equal to approximately one million bytes "Mb" megabit, a unit of digital information equal to approximately one million bits "Mbps" megabits per second, a unit of measurement used to quantify data transfer rates or the speed at which data is transmitted over a network or communication channel "MCU" micro control unit(s), a small, self-contained computer on a single chip, designed to manage specific tasks within an embedded system "memory chip" an electronic component that stores data or instructions in computers and other digital devices "MR" a technology that blends elements of both virtual reality and augmented reality, enabling real-time interaction between physical and virtual objects within a user's environment "NAND Flash" a type of non-volatile Flash memory technology and the products based on this technology, typically used for data storage "NOR Flash" a type of non-volatile Flash memory technology and the products based on this technology, typically used for data storage and code storage "OSAT" outsourced semiconductor assembly and test, critical stages of the production process of semiconductor products outsourced to third-party services providers to handle the assembly, packaging and testing of semiconductor devices "PC" personal computer(s) "PMIC" power management integrated circuit, a chip that manages power usage and battery efficiency in devices "RISC-V" an open standard instruction set architecture based on established reduced instruction set computer (RISC) principles

"R&D" research and development "SaaS" software-as-a-service, softwares delivered over the internet as a service on demand "sensor chip" a small, integrated device that is designed to detect and measure specific physical or chemical properties in its environment and convert them into electrical signals "SLC" single-level cell, a type of Flash memory that stores one bit of data per cell, offering higher durability and faster performance compared to multi-level cell (MLC), which stores two bits per cell, triple-Level Cell (TLC), which stores three bits per cell, and quad-level cell, which stores four bits per cell, all of which provide higher storage density at the cost of reduced speed and endurance "SoC" system on chip, an integrated circuit that integrates all or most components of a computer or other electronic system into a single chip "Specialty Momory" typically serves specific application requirements or hold competitive advantages in particular market segments. "SPI NAND Flash" a type of non-volatile memory that combines the highdensity storage benefits of NAND Flash with the efficient Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI) for data transfer, offering a compact and cost-effective solution for embedded systems and IoT devices "SPI NOR Flash" a type of non-volatile memory that combines the fast read speeds and reliable performance of NOR Flash with the efficient SPI for data communication, offering a compact, cost-effective, and high-performance solution embedded systems and IoT devices "T-BOX" Telematics Box, an advanced automotive electronic control unit that enables bidirectional communication between a vehicle and the outside world "TWS" true wireless stereo, a type of wireless audio technology that allows for the creation of a stereo sound system without any physical wires connecting the audio devices

"USON6" ultra-thin small outline no-lead package with 6 terminals, a type of surface-mount semiconductor package that is characterized by its small size and thin profile, making it suitable for applications where space is a critical constraint "VCC" voltage common collector input off set voltage, the differential DC voltage that "VIO" must be applied between the two input terminals to force the output voltage to zero "VR" virtual reality, a technology that creates a simulated, immersive environment, allowing users to interact with and experience a computer-generated world as if it were real, typically through the use of specialized headsets and sensors "XR" extended reality, an umbrella term that encompasses all forms of immersive technologies, including VR, AR and MR "ZB" zettabyte, a unit of digital information equal to 1,000

billion GB

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The Company has included in this document forward-looking statements. Statements that are not historical facts, including but not limited to statements about its intentions, beliefs, expectations or predictions for the future, are forward-looking statements. When used in this document, the words "aim", "anticipate", "believe", "could", "expect", "going forward", "intend", "ought to", "project", "seek", "should", "will", "would", "vision", "aspire", "target", "schedule", and the negative of these words and other similar expressions, as they relate to the Group or its management, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Such statements reflect the current views of the Group's management with respect to future events, operations, liquidity and capital resources, some of which may not materialize or may change. These statements are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including the risk factors as described in this document, some of which are beyond the Company's control and may cause the Company's actual results, performance or achievements, or industry results, to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. You are strongly cautioned that reliance on any forwardlooking statements involves known and unknown risks and uncertainties. The risks and uncertainties facing the Group which could affect the accuracy of forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the following:

- the Group's operations and business prospects;
- the Group's ability to maintain relationship with, and the actions and developments affecting, its customers and suppliers;
- future developments, trends and conditions in the industries and markets in which the Group operates or plans to operate;
- general economic, political and business conditions in the markets in which the Group operates;
- changes to the regulatory environment in the industries and markets in which the Group operates;
- the Group's ability to maintain its market position;
- the actions and developments of the Group's competitors;
- the Group's ability to effectively contain costs and optimize pricing;
- the ability of third parties to perform in accordance with contractual terms and specifications;
- the Group's ability to retain senior management and key personnel and recruit qualified staff;
- the Group's business strategies and plans to achieve these strategies;

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- the effectiveness of the Group's quality control systems;
- change or volatility in interest rates, foreign exchange rates, equity prices, trading volumes, commodity prices and overall market trends; including those pertaining to the PRC and the industry and markets in which the Group operates; and
- capital market developments.

By their nature, certain disclosures relating to these and other risks are only estimates and should one or more of these uncertainties or risks, among others, materialize, actual results may vary materially from those estimated, anticipated or projected, as well as from historical results. Specifically but without limitation, sales could decrease, costs could increase, capital costs could increase, capital investment could be delayed and anticipated improvements in performance might not be fully realized.

Subject to the requirements of applicable laws, rules and regulations, the Company does not have any or undertake no obligation to update or otherwise revise the forward-looking statements in this document, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. As a result of these and other risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events and circumstances discussed in this document might not occur in the way the Company expects or at all. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking information. All forward-looking statements in this document are qualified by reference to the cautionary statements in this section as well as the risks and uncertainties discussed in the section headed "Risk Factors" in this document.

In this document, statements of or references to the Company's intentions or those of its Directors were made as of the date of this document. Any such information may change in light of future developments.

An investment in the H Shares involves various risks. You should consider carefully all the information set out in this document and, in particular, the risks described below before making an investment in the H Shares.

The occurrence of any of the following events could materially and adversely affect our business, financial position, results of operations or prospects. If any of these events occurs, the trading price of the H Shares could decline and you may lose all or part of your investment. This document also contains forward-looking information that involves risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of many factors, including the risks described below. You should seek professional advice from your relevant advisors regarding your prospective investment in the context of your particular circumstances.

#### RISKS RELATING TO OUR BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY

If we fail to properly anticipate or respond to changing market conditions, or develop and introduce new or enhanced products on a timely basis, our ability to attract and retain customers could be impaired and our competitive position could be harmed.

The semiconductor industry is subject to constant and rapid changes in technology, constant product and technology upgrade, frequent new product introductions and evolving technical standards. New technologies may be introduced that make the current technologies on which our products are based less competitive or even obsolete or require us to make changes to our technology that could be expensive and time consuming to implement. Due to the evolving nature of the markets, our future success depends on our ability to accurately anticipate and respond to changes in industry standards, technological requirements, customer and consumer preferences and other market conditions. Our failure to properly anticipate or respond to changing market conditions could impair our competitive position, and adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

In order to compete successfully, we must design, develop, market and sell new or enhanced products that provide high levels of performance and reliability, offer and integrate new functionalities and meet the cost expectations of the markets. The intensive competition, introduction of new and upgraded products and solutions by our competitors, market acceptance of products based on new or alternative technologies, emergence of new industry standards, or new trends in consumer preferences could render our existing or future products obsolete. We may experience difficulties with product design, development, marketing or certification, which could delay or prevent our development, introduction or marketing of new or enhanced products. Furthermore, our R&D efforts may not yield the expected results, which would prevent us from strengthening our brand recognition and competitive position. If we fail to introduce new or enhanced products that meet the needs of our customers or fail to penetrate new markets in a timely manner, we will lose market share and our business, results of operations and financial condition will be adversely affected.

Our performance is subject to fluctuations in demand from downstream industries that adopt our products and the prices of the end products.

Our performance is subject to fluctuations in demand from downstream industries that adopt our products and the prices of the end products. During the Track Record Period, our products were typically designed for special applications in downstream industries such as consumer electronics, automobile, industrial applications, PC and servers, IoT and communications. These industries are highly competitive and to a large extent driven by end-user markets. Fluctuations in demand and price within these industries could lead to reduced sales and declining prices for the end products, which will in turn affect our revenue and profit margins. Specifically, many of our customers face intense competition and constant pressure to cut the selling prices of their end products. Accordingly, many of them may expect ongoing production cost reductions and increased production efficiencies. If we are not able to meet such expectations, our prospect, business, results of operations and financial condition will be adversely affected.

Fluctuation in demand from downstream industries and prices of the end products could be impacted by many factors beyond our control, including:

- a decline in demand for, or negative perception of, or publicity about, products of downstream industries;
- a downturn in general economic conditions and consumer spending capabilities that
  may affect, among others, the ability and willingness for the market to invest in
  those industries, which in turn will negatively affect the downstream demand for our
  products;
- regulatory restrictions, trade disputes, industry-specific quotas, tariffs, non-tariff barriers and taxes that may have the effect of limiting exports from the PRC;
- cyclicality in the downstream industries;
- the inability to dedicate necessary resources to promote and commercialize end products;
- the failure to meet the evolving industry requirements or achieve market acceptance;
- · delays and project cancellations by our end customers; and
- the effects of catastrophic and other disruptive events.

In the event that any of the above events occur, the demand for end products may not maintain robust growth and the demand or price for our products may be reduced, which in turn will adversely affect our business, prospects, results of operations and financial condition.

#### Our R&D efforts are not guaranteed to yield the results we anticipate.

In order to maintain our competitive position and continue to grow our business, we need to continuously develop and introduce innovative products for our existing and potential customers. The markets of IC design are characterized by continuous technological developments and innovation to address increasingly complex and diverse market needs. Accordingly, we emphasize our R&D activities, which require considerable human resources and capital investment. In 2022, 2023 and 2024, our R&D expenses amounted to RMB935.6 million, RMB990.0 million and RMB1,122.4 million, accounting for 11.5%, 17.2% and 15.3% of our total revenue in the respective years. However, we cannot assure you that these efforts will be successful or produce our anticipated results.

Even if our research and development efforts are successful, we may not be able to apply the technologies we developed to introduce new products in time to capture the first-mover advantage, or at all.

#### We rely on third parties for IC fabrication, testing and packaging.

As a fabless IC design company, we do not own any IC fabrication, testing or packaging facilities, and rely on third-party foundry partners to produce ICs. We currently work closely with 11 quality foundry partners and 26 OSAT partners for IC packaging and testing. During the Track Record Period, purchases from our five largest suppliers in each year during the Track Record Period, which were our foundry partners and OSAT partners, amounted to RMB4,090.6 million, RMB3,081.9 million and RMB3,696.9 million, respectively, accounting for 73.4%, 71.0% and 70.2% of our total purchases in the respective periods.

The ability of our foundry partners to provide us with IC is limited by their available capacity. We typically do not have a guaranteed level of production capacity from our foundry partners. As a result, if our foundry partners raise their prices or are unable to meet our required capacity for various reasons, including shortages, or delays in the shipment of semiconductor equipment or raw materials required to manufacture our IC, or if our business relationships with our foundry partners deteriorate, we may not be able to obtain the required capacity and would have to seek alternative foundries, which may not be available on commercially reasonable terms, or at all.

Moreover, it is possible that other customers of our foundry partners may receive preferential treatment from our foundry partners in terms of capacity allocation. Reallocation of capacity by our foundry partners to their other preferred customers could impair our ability to secure our requisite supply of IC, which could significantly delay the shipment of our products, causing a loss of revenue and damage to our customer relationships. In addition, if we do not accurately forecast our capacity needs, our foundry partners may not have available capacity to meet our immediate needs or we may be required to pay higher costs to fulfill those needs, either of which could materially and adversely affect our business, operating results or financial condition.

Reliance on these third-party production partners presents significant risks to us, including the following:

- limited control over delivery schedules, quality assurance, manufacturing yields and production costs;
- potential failure to obtain, or delay in obtaining key process technologies;
- failure by us or our customers to qualify a selected supplier;
- capacity shortages during periods of high demand;
- shortages of materials;
- misappropriation of our IP;
- limited warranties on IC or products supplied to us; and
- potential increases in prices.

The ability and willingness of our production partners to adequately perform is largely outside our control. If one or more of these production partners fails to perform its obligations in a timely manner or at satisfactory quality levels, our ability to bring products to market and our reputation could suffer. For example, in the event that capacity becomes constrained at one or more production partners, we could face difficulties in fulfilling our customers' orders and our revenues could decline. In addition, if these production partners fail to deliver quality products and components to us on time and at reasonable prices, we could face difficulties in fulfilling our customers' orders, our total revenue could decline and our business, financial condition and results of operations would be adversely affected.

We face competition and expect to continue facing competition in the future. If we fail to compete effectively, our business, prospects, results of operations and financial condition will be materially and adversely affected.

The global semiconductor market in general, and the specialty memory chips, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips market in particular, are highly competitive. We expect competition to increase and intensify as other semiconductor companies enter our markets, many of which may have greater financial and other resources with which to pursue technology development, product design, manufacturing, marketing and sales and distribution of their products. Increased competition could result in price pressure, reduced profitability and loss of market share, any of which could materially and adversely affect our business, prospects, results of operations and financial condition.

In addition, as opportunities in the semiconductor market grow, we expect that new entrants will enter these markets and existing competitors, including leading semiconductor companies, may increase their investments in order to compete more effectively against our products. These competitors could develop technologies that would render our products or technologies uncompetitive or obsolete. Our ability to compete successfully depends on factors both within and outside of our control, including:

- the functionality, performance and pricing of our products relative to those of our competitors;
- our relationships with our customers and other industry participants;
- our ability to develop new and enhanced products;
- our ability to retain high-level talents, including our management team and engineers; and
- the actions of our competitors, including merger and acquisition activity, new product launches and other actions that could change the competitive landscape.

# The markets in which we compete have historically been cyclical and have experienced downturns with declines in average selling prices.

Historically, the markets in which we compete have been cyclical and have experienced downturns. These downturns could be characterized by diminished product demand, production overcapacity, high inventory levels and decreasing selling prices and inventory values. Economic downturns often have an adverse effect upon designers, manufacturers and end-users of electronics products. The timing of new product developments, the lifecycle of existing electronics products and the level of acceptance and growth of new products can also affect demand for our products. Downturns in the markets we serve could have a significant negative impact on the demand for our products. Additionally, due to changing conditions, our customers may in the future experience periods of excess inventory that could have a significant adverse impact on our sales. During an industry downturn, there is also a risk that our inventory would decrease in value. We cannot predict the timing or the severity of the cycles within our industry. In particular, it is difficult to predict how long and to what levels any industry upturn or downturn, or general economic strength or weakness, will last or develop.

The demand for our products is largely driven by the demand for end products in downstream industries such as consumer electronics, automotive, industry, PC and servers, IoT and communications. From time to time, these markets may experience cyclical downturns, often in connection with, or in anticipation of, declines in general economic conditions, and we may experience substantial period-to-period fluctuations in our operating results due to factors affecting these markets. Changes in end-user demand for our customers' products could have a material adverse effect on demand for our products, particularly if the customer has

accumulated excess inventories of products purchased from us or from competitors selling similar products. Reduced demand for our products could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. See "— Our performance is subject to fluctuations in demand from downstream industries that adopt our products and the prices of the end products."

Furthermore, our industry has historically experienced declines in average selling prices due to supply and demand dynamics. In particular, the prices of our products declined during the Track Record Period, which was in line with industry trends and adversely affected our business and results of operations. See "Financial Information — Significant Factors Affecting Our Results of Operations — Industry Cycle." The average selling prices of our product may decline due to several factors, including general declines in demand for our products and excess supply of products as a result of overcapacity. If not accompanied by increases in demand, supply increases usually result in significant declines in product pricing and, in turn, declines in the average selling prices and profit margins of our products. Our efforts to increase sales or to introduce new products to offset the impact of declines in average selling prices may not be successful.

Our competitors and customers also impose pricing pressures on us. These declines in average selling prices have in the past had, and may again in the future have, a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. Declines in prices also could affect the valuation of our inventory, which could result in inventory write-downs.

In the event of a market downturn, competition in the markets in which we operate may intensify as our customers reduce their purchase orders. Our competitors that are significantly larger and have greater financial, technical, marketing, distribution, customer support and other resources or more established market recognition than us may be better positioned to accept lower prices and withstand adverse economic or market conditions.

# If our products do not meet our customers' quality standards, our business and financial condition may be negatively impacted.

If we are unable to provide products that meet our customers' demands on a timely basis, our relationships with our customers will be negatively impacted, and, if we are unable to repair these relationships by increasing our customers' confidence in us, we may lose our customers. Furthermore, our customers conduct quality check and inspection of our products when they receive them, and they can return or exchange products that do not meet their quality standards. If we experience a high level of product returns or exchanges, our business and financial condition may be negatively impacted.

Our patents and other non-patented intellectual properties are valuable assets, and if we are unable to protect them from infringement, our business prospects may be harmed.

Our success depends in part on our ability to obtain and maintain trade secrets and patent protection for our technologies, processes and products as well as to successfully enforce our intellectual property rights and to defend our intellectual properties against third-party challenges. In the event that our issued patents and patent applications do not adequately provide coverage for our technologies, processes or products, we would not be able to exclude others from developing or utilizing these technologies, processes and products. Furthermore, the degree of future protection of our proprietary rights is uncertain because legal means may not adequately protect our rights or permit us to gain or keep our competitive advantage.

As our technologies involve unpatented, proprietary technologies, processes, know-how or data, we primarily rely on trade secret protection and agreements to safeguard our interests. However, trade secrets are difficult to protect. While we use reasonable efforts to protect our trade secrets, including requiring our employees and suppliers who may have access to trade secrets to enter into confidentiality agreements or other agreements including confidentiality provisions with us, such persons may unintentionally or willfully disclose our information to competitors. In addition, confidentiality agreements or other agreements including confidentiality provisions may not be enforceable or provide an adequate remedy in the event of unauthorized use or disclosure. It may be difficult to prove or enforce a claim that a third party had illegally obtained and used our trade secrets. In addition, our competitors may independently develop technologies that are equivalent to our trade secrets, in which case, we would not be entitled to enforce our trade secrets and our business could be harmed.

We may encounter future litigation by third parties based on claims that our technologies, processes or products infringe the intellectual property rights of others or that we have misappropriated the trade secrets of others. We may also initiate lawsuits to defend the ownership of our inventions and our trade secrets. It is difficult, if not impossible, to predict how such disputes would be resolved. Litigation relating to intellectual property rights is costly and diverts technical and management personnel from their normal responsibilities. Furthermore, we may not be able to prevail in any such litigation or proceeding. A determination in an intellectual property litigation or proceeding that results in a finding of non-infringement by others to our intellectual property or an invalidation of our patents may result in the use by competitors of our technologies or processes and sale by competitors of products that resemble our products.

# Our business depends on the continuing efforts of our key personnel performing vital functions.

Our business operations depend on the continuing efforts of our management, particularly the members of our senior management team. If one or more members of our management are unable or unwilling to continue their employment with us, we may not be able to replace them in a timely manner, or at all. We may incur additional expenses to recruit and retain qualified replacements. In addition, members of our management may join a competitor or form a competing company. There can be no assurance that we will be able to successfully enforce our

contractual rights included in employment agreements with our management. As a result, our business may suffer the loss of services of one or more members of our management, which in turn could have a material and adverse impact on our future prospects, business, results of operations and financial condition.

Our business is subject to legal, regulatory, political, economic, commercial and other risks associated with conducting operations in various jurisdictions.

We derive a significant portion of our revenue overseas. Accordingly, we have faced and continue to face numerous risks, including legal, regulatory, political, economic, commercial and other risks associated with conducting operations in various jurisdictions, any of which could negatively affect our financial performance. These risks include the following:

- legal, regulatory, political, economic and commercial instability and uncertainty;
- changes in foreign tax rules, regulations and other requirements, such as changes in tax rates and statutory and judicial interpretations of tax laws;
- changes in international trade policies and regulations including those in relation to economic sanctions, export controls and import restrictions, as well in trade barriers such as imposition of tariffs;
- difficulty in coping with possible conflict of laws resulting from import/export controls measures of different jurisdictions where we operate;
- changes in foreign country regulatory requirements, including data privacy laws;
- complexities relating to compliance with foreign anti-bribery, anti-corruption and anti- money laundering regulations and antitrust laws;
- difficulty in obtaining or enforcing intellectual property rights;
- difficulty in enforcing agreements and collecting overdue receivables through local legal systems;
- changes in geopolitical situations especially those in jurisdictions where we do business:
- strict foreign exchange controls and cash repatriation restrictions;
- inflation and/or deflation, and changes in interest rates;
- trade customer insolvency and the inability to collect accounts receivable;

- misconduct by our customers beyond our control, including but not limited to breaching the agreements with them and laws and regulations of various jurisdictions that are applicable to them;
- labor disputes and work stoppages at our operations and suppliers; and
- increased costs associated with maintaining the ability to understand local markets and follow their trends.

In addition, as we operate in many different jurisdictions, we have conducted cross-border related party transactions in our ordinary course of business, which may result in an increased likelihood of tax audits, possibly leading to challenges in relation to, amongst other things, tax residence, permanent establishment and transfer pricing.

We may make acquisitions, establish joint ventures and conduct other strategic investments, which may not be successful.

To further expand our business and strengthen our market-leading position, we may form strategic cooperation or make strategic investments and acquisitions to fuel business growth. See "Business — Strategies" and "Future Plans and Use of [REDACTED]." Acquisitions involve numerous risks, including difficulties in integrating the operations and personnel of the acquired companies, distraction of management from overseeing our existing operations, difficulties in executing new business initiatives, entering markets or lines of business in which we have no or limited direct prior experience, the possible loss of key employees and customers and difficulties in achieving the synergies we anticipated or levels of revenue, profitability, productivity or other benefits we expected. These transactions may also cause us to (i) significantly increase our interest expense, leverage and debt service requirements if we incur additional debt to pay for an acquisition or investment, (ii) issue Shares that would dilute our current Shareholders' percentage ownership, or (iii) incur asset write-offs and restructuring costs and other related expenses. Acquisitions, joint ventures and strategic investments involve numerous other risks, including potential exposure to unknown liabilities of acquired or invested companies and restrictions under regulations relating to anti-monopoly. There can be no assurance that our acquisitions, joint ventures and other strategic investments will be successful and will not have a material and adverse impact on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

#### Our sales may be influenced by seasonality.

Demand for and sales of our products follow the same seasonality pattern as sales of the end products that feature our products. We usually experience higher sales volume in the second and third quarter of a year due to the stock preparation of end customers in response to the new product launch cycles and increased shopping activities during the holiday season. Accordingly, various aspects of our operations, including sales, working capital and operating cash flows, are exposed to the risks associated with seasonal fluctuations in the demand for our products, and our quarterly or half year results may not reflect our full year results.

# Delivery delays, inappropriate handling by third party logistics service providers or disruptions in the transportation network may adversely affect our business.

We use third party logistics service providers to deliver certain of our work-in-progress and products. Disputes with or terminations of our contractual relationships with our logistics service providers could result in delayed delivery of products or increased costs. We may not be able to continue or extend relationships with our current logistics service providers on terms acceptable to us or establish relationships with new logistics service providers to ensure accurate, timely and cost-efficient delivery services. If we are unable to maintain or develop good relationships with logistics service providers, it may inhibit our ability to offer products in sufficient quantities, on a timely basis, or at prices acceptable to our customers. If there is any breakdown in our relationships with our preferred logistics service providers, we may suffer business interruptions that could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. As we do not have any direct control over these logistics service providers, we cannot guarantee their quality of services. If there is any delay in delivery, damage to products or any other issue due to transportation shortages, natural disasters, labour strikes or other factors, we may lose customers and sales and our reputation may be tarnished. In addition, our suppliers sometimes deliver materials to us through third party logistics service providers. Delays in delivery could adversely impact our suppliers' ability to timely deliver materials to us, and our ability to deliver to our customers.

#### Fluctuations in exchange rates may adversely affect our results of operations.

The value of RMB against the Hong Kong dollar, the U.S. dollar and other currencies fluctuates, is subject to changes resulting from the PRC government's policies and depends to a large extent on domestic and international economic and political developments as well as supply and demand in the local market. It is difficult to predict how market forces or government policies may impact the exchange rate between the RMB and the Hong Kong dollar, the U.S. dollar or other currencies in the future.

During the Track Record Period, we received the majority of payments in U.S. dollars, and we expect this to continue for the foreseeable future. As a result, any depreciation of the U.S. dollar against the RMB may result in exchange losses and negatively impact our operating results. The [REDACTED] from the [REDACTED] will be received in Hong Kong dollars and we expect a substantial portion of which to be spent in RMB. As a result, any appreciation of the RMB against the Hong Kong dollar may result in the decrease in the value of our [REDACTED] from the [REDACTED]. Conversely, any depreciation of the RMB against the Hong Kong dollars may adversely affect the value of, and any dividends payable on, the Shares in foreign currency. In addition, there are limited instruments available for us to reduce our foreign currency risk exposure at reasonable costs. All of these factors could have a material and adverse impact on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

# Failure to maintain optimal inventory levels could increase our inventory holding costs and cause us to lose sales.

In order to operate our business effectively and meet our consumers' demands and expectations, we maintain a certain level of inventory to meet the customer needs and ensure timely delivery of our products. As of December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024, we had inventories of RMB2,153.9 million, RMB1,990.9 million and RMB2,346.4 million, respectively. In 2022, 2023 and 2024, our inventory turnover days were 148 days, 188 days and 167 days, respectively. During the Track Record Period, we recorded write-down of inventories due to the lower estimated realizable value of our inventory than its costs. Due to the continuous decline in selling prices of our products and the time lag in cost reduction, we recorded write-down of inventories of RMB177.4 million, RMB236.7 million and RMB172.1 million in 2022, 2023 and 2024, respectively. We determine our level of inventory based on historical sales data, customer order volumes, demand forecasts and supply chain capacity fluctuations. However, such assessment is inherently uncertain. We cannot assure that we are able to always maintain optimal inventory levels in the future. If we fail to accurately assess the demand, we may experience inventory obsolescence and inventory shortage risk. Inventory levels in excess of demand, or substantial decrease in the expected market price of our products, may result in inventory write-downs or write-offs and we may sell the excess inventory at discounted prices, which would have an adverse effect on our profitability. Furthermore, if we underestimate the demand for our products, we may not be able to have a sufficient number of products to meet such unanticipated demand, which could result in delays in the delivery of our products and negatively affect our reputation.

Any of the above may materially and adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

# Fair value change of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss may affect our results of operations.

Our financial assets at fair value through profit or loss primarily consist of structured deposits and investments in equity securities. As of December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024, we had financial assets at fair value through profit or loss of RMB1,937.5 million, RMB1,951.2 million and RMB330.9 million, respectively. Changes in the fair value of the structured deposits and investments in equity securities are reflected in our consolidated statement of profit or loss. See note 19 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report." The methodology that we use to assess these financial assets involves a significant degree of management judgment and is inherently uncertain. We cannot assure you that market conditions and regulatory environment will create fair value gains on those financial assets or that we will not incur any fair value losses on those financial assets in the future. If we incur such fair value losses, our results of operations and financial condition may be adversely affected.

# We may not be able to timely fulfill our obligations in respect of contract liabilities to our customers or at all.

Our contract liabilities comprise advances received from our customers. We typically require our customers to pay the consideration for their purchases from us upon or prior to the delivery of the products. As of December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024, we had contract liabilities of RMB82.9 million, RMB88.1 million and RMB94.5 million, respectively. See "Financial Information — Selected Items of Consolidated Statements of Financial Position — Contract Liabilities." Our recognition of contract liabilities as revenue is subject to future performance of contract obligations and may not be representative of revenue for future periods. As a result of disruption to any of our suppliers, we may fail to fulfill our contract obligations or meet market demand for our products, and our business, results of operations, liquidity and financial condition could be adversely affected.

#### We may not be able to maintain or enhance our brand recognition.

We believe our brand image has contributed significantly to the success of our business, and, therefore, maintaining and enhancing the recognition, image and acceptance of our brand are critical to our ability to differentiate our products from and to compete effectively with our peers. Our brand image, however, could be jeopardized if we fail to maintain high product quality, pioneer and keep pace with evolving technology trends, or timely fulfill the orders. If we fail to promote our brand or to maintain or enhance the brand recognition and awareness among our customers, or if we are subject to events or negative allegations affecting our brand image or publicly perceived position of our brand, our business, operating results and financial condition could be adversely affected.

We are subject to various risks relating to third-party payment arrangement.

During the Track Record Period, certain of our distributors (individual or collectively, the "Third-party Payment Customer(s)") settled payments with us through accounts belonging to parties other than the contractual counterparties under the corresponding sales and purchase agreements (the "Third-party Payment Arrangement"). We expect to cease the Third-party Payment Arrangement before [REDACTED].

In 2022, 2023 and 2024, the aggregate amount of payment from designated third parties to us was RMB160.1 million, RMB97.8 million and RMB39.5 million, respectively, representing approximately 1.9%, 1.6% and 0.5% of the total payments received from all customers, respectively. During the Track Record Period, no individual Third-party Payment Customer had made material contribution to our revenue. See "Business — Sales and Marketing — Third-party Payment Arrangement."

We were subject to various risks relating to such Third-party Payment Arrangement during the Track Record Period, such as (i) possible claims from third-party payors for return of funds as they were not contractually indebted to us and possible claims from liquidators of third-party payors, and (ii) potential money laundering risks as we have limited knowledge about the source and purpose of the funds utilized by the third-party payors. In the event of any claims from third-party payors or their liquidators, or legal proceedings (whether civil or criminal) instituted or brought against us to demand return of the relevant payment or for violation or noncompliance of laws and regulations, we will have to spend significant financial and managerial resources to defend against such claims and legal proceedings, and we may be forced to comply with the court ruling and return the payment for the products that we sold and services that we provided.

We are subject to risks associated with sanctions and export controls laws and regulations, international trade policies and actions, and developing domestic and foreign laws and regulations.

We operate within a global supply chain and our products were sold globally as part of various end products. As such, we face risks associated with international trade regulations and geopolitical developments.

Recent trade tensions, such as the ongoing U.S.-China trade dispute, have led to high tariffs, export controls and other restrictive measures targeting high-technology goods, semiconductors and electronics. In April 2025, the United States imposed a tariff of 145% on all Chinese goods, except for certain consumer electronics produced in China, which was lowered to 30% until August 14, 2025 based on the joint statement between China and U.S. issued on May 12, 2025. During the Track Record Period, revenue we generated from sales to the United States accounted for an insignificant portion of our total revenue, and our products are currently exempted from United States tariff. However, our products could be incorporated into various types of end-products and be imported into the United States, with tariff, if any, to be borne by the importing party. Companies who import the products may wish to pass on the additional tariff on us, their other suppliers or their customers. Even if the tariff is not passed on to us, the reduced competitiveness of our customers' end products could lead to reduction or cancellation of their purchase orders from us.

The Export Administration Regulation (the "EAR") regulates U.S. export control, and the Bureau of Industry and Security (the "BIS") of the Department of Commerce administers the EAR. The U.S. export control regime regulates the export, transfer or disclosure of U.S. products, software, and technology to non-U.S. jurisdictions and non-U.S. persons based on the nature of the product or technology, as well as the destination, transferee, or end-use of a specific export or transfer.

Under the EAR, a non-U.S.-produced item is subject to the EAR if it incorporates or bundles U.S.-origin controlled items valued at a certain ratio or utilizes certain U.S.-controlled software or technologies during the production process.

The BIS maintains lists of individuals and entities subject to enhanced export control restrictions. The Entity List is a catalogue of individuals and entities subject to specific licensing requirements for the export, re-export, or transfer of certain products and technology subject to the EAR. In recent years, the BIS has added hundreds of Chinese entities to the Entity List for a variety of reasons, including foreign policy, defense policy, and security.

As a fabless company in the semiconductor industry in China, avoiding all transactions with Chinese companies on the Entity List is not commercially practicable. We conduct necessary compliance measures to fulfill the export control obligations, including:

- Establish an export control compliance team to conduct all necessary compliance measures in our routine business;
- Conduct routine screening against our counterparties and assess the applicable restrictions for dealing with any counterparties;
- Request our customers to sign the export control compliance commitment;
- Request the suppliers and contract manufacturers to complete the due diligence
  questionnaires to confirm whether the items supplied to us and the items used in the
  manufacturing process for our products are subject to the EAR;
- Confirm the trade compliance obligations in the contracts with suppliers and contract manufacturers, to make sure the information provided to us is accurate and up to date; and
- Engage the compliance team and technical team to review and assess the relevant export control classifications of our final products.

Based on our implementation of the above measures, we conclude that our sales to the customers on the Entity List do not infringe the EAR.

However, as the BIS rules are evolving, future sanctions and export controls may significantly impact our business relationships with some of the key customers or suppliers. If we fail to promptly secure alternative customers or sources of supply on acceptable terms, our business may be materially and adversely affected. In addition, dealing with customers and suppliers on the Entity List can also make us vulnerable under the EAR and Entity List designation, considering the Chinese semiconductor industry is always an enforcement focus by the U.S. government.

As a fabless IC design house, we use softwares and commodities subject to the EAR, including certain electronic design automation ("EDA") softwares. As the U.S. continued to impede China's advanced semiconductor industry, several leading EDA software suppliers in the U.S. stated that they received notices from BIS to cease supplying EDA software to China recently. We understand that these developments introduced uncertainties to global supply chains, limited access to key software, and increased production and compliance costs for companies operating in affected industries. If these trade restrictions or geopolitical tensions escalate, we may face additional risks, including reduced access to key software, which could negatively impact our design capabilities.

We are exposed to risks associated with U.S. Executive Order 14105 and its implementing regulations that prohibit and require notification by on U.S. persons for certain investments.

On October 28, 2024, the U.S. Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") issued a final rule, codified in the United States Code of Federal Regulations at 31 C.F.R. part 850, to implement the Executive Order 14105 of August 9, 2023 (the "Final Rule"), which became effective on January 2, 2025. The Final Rule imposes investment prohibition and notification requirements on U.S. persons for a wide range of investments in entities associated with China (including Hong Kong and Macau) that are engaged in activities relating to three sectors: (i) semiconductors and microelectronics, (ii) quantum information technologies, and (iii) artificial intelligence systems, collectively defined as "Covered Foreign Persons." U.S. persons subject to the Final Rule are prohibited from making, or required to report, certain investments in Covered Foreign Persons, which are defined as "Covered Transactions," and include certain acquisitions of an equity interest, certain debt financing, joint ventures, and certain investments as a limited partner in a non-U.S. person pooled investment fund. The Final Rule contains exceptions for certain investments, including those in publicly traded securities, except when the U.S. person investor secures rights that go beyond standard minority shareholder protections. The Final Rule may introduce new hurdles and uncertainties for cross-border collaborations, investments, and funding opportunities of China-based issuers including us. On February 21, 2025, U.S. President issued a memo entitled the "America First Investment Policy" (the "America First Memo"), indicating that Executive Order 14105 is under review and the Trump Administration will consider new or expanded restrictions, such as broadening the sectors.

We believe that we are deemed to be a covered foreign person engaged in one of the "covered activities" (each as defined in the Final Rule) as we design integrated circuits as described in the definition of "notifiable transactions" in 31 C.F.R. §850.217. We are not directly or indirectly engaged in any "covered activities" as described in the definition of "prohibited transactions" (each as defined in the Final Rule) as we do not design, fabricate or package any integrated circuit described in 31 C.F.R. §850.224(c), (d) or (e) and activities described in the other sections of 31 C.F.R. §850.224. However, there is no assurance that the Treasury will take the same view as ours. U.S. persons engaged in a "covered transaction" (as defined under the Final Rule) that involves the acquisition of our equity interests (including the

subscription of our H Shares in the [REDACTED]) may need to make a notification to Treasury pursuant to the Final Rule, which could limit our ability to raise capital or contingent equity capital from U.S. investors. In addition, even though U.S. persons' investment of certain publicly traded securities (such as purchasing our H Share in the open market) falls under an exception in the Final Rule could still limit our ability to raise capital or contingent equity capital from U.S. investors after this [REDACTED] given that the relevant laws, regulations and policies continue to evolve. In addition, the application and implication of the Final Rule, the America First Memo and any related policies, laws and regulations are complex, which may be changed and updated from time to time. Future changes in the Final Rule, the America First Memo and any related policies, laws and regulations or their interpretations, or any similar or more expansive restrictions imposed by the U.S. or other jurisdictions, may result in additional costs on our business and/or limit our ability to raise capital or contingent equity capital from U.S. investors and other sources that may otherwise be beneficial to us, which could adversely affect our performance, financial condition and prospects, in which case the [REDACTED] of our H Shares may also be materially and adversely affected.

# Our business may be impacted by geopolitical tensions, war, terrorism, public health issues, natural disasters and other business interruptions.

War, terrorism, geopolitical tensions, public health issues and other business interruptions could cause damage or disruption to international commerce and the global economy, and thus could have a material adverse effect on us, our customers and suppliers. Our business operations are subject to interruption by, among others, natural disasters, whether as a result of climate change or otherwise, fire, power shortages and other industrial accidents, terrorist attacks and other hostile acts, labor disputes, public health issues, demonstrations or strikes and other events beyond our control. Such events could decrease demand for our products, make it difficult or impossible for us to make and deliver products to our customers, or to receive materials from our suppliers, and create delays and inefficiencies in our supply chain. In the event of a natural disaster or major public health issue, we could incur significant losses, require substantial recovery time and experience significant expenditures in order to resume operations.

## Our risk management and internal control systems may not be adequate or effective.

We have established risk management and internal control systems consisting of organizational frameworks, policies, procedures and risk management methods that we believe are appropriate for our business operations, and we seek to continue to improve these systems. However, due to the inherent limitations in the design and implementation of risk management and internal control systems, including the identification and evaluation of risks, internal control variables and the communication of information, we cannot assure you that such systems will be able to identify, mitigate and manage all our exposure to risks.

Our risk management and internal controls also depend on the proficiency of and implementation by our employees. We cannot assure you that such implementation will not involve any human error or mistakes, which may materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We face risks associated with the misconduct of our employees, business partners and their employees and other related individuals.

Our business operations and reputation are significantly influenced by the conduct of our employees, business partners, their employees and other related individuals. Despite our efforts to implement stringent oversight mechanisms and ethical guidelines, it may not always be possible to prevent or detect misconduct by these individuals. The misconduct by these parties, including fraudulent activities, non-compliance with laws and regulations, unethical business practices or any other actions that are inconsistent with our corporate policies and values, may subject us to potential liabilities and damage our reputation, leading to loss of consumers, decreased market share and potential difficulties in attracting and retaining business partners.

We may from time to time become a party to litigation, arbitration, other legal and contractual disputes, claims and administrative proceedings.

We may from time to time be subject to various litigation, arbitration, legal or contractual disputes, claims, or administrative proceedings in the ordinary course of our business, including, but not limited to, various disputes with or claims from our consumers, suppliers, customers, business partners and other third parties. Ongoing or threatened litigation, arbitration, legal or contractual disputes, claims or administrative proceedings may divert our management's attention and other resources. Furthermore, any litigation, arbitration, legal or contractual disputes, claims or administrative proceedings which are initially not of material importance may escalate and become important to us, due to a variety of factors such as the subject matter of the disputes, the likelihood of loss, the monetary amount at stake and the parties involved. If any adverse verdict, judgment or award is rendered against us or if we settle with any third parties, we may be required to pay significant monetary damages or assume other liabilities. In addition, negative publicity arising from litigation, legal or contractual disputes, claims or administrative proceedings may damage our reputation and have a material and adverse impact on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

There is no assurance that we will not be subject to any litigation, arbitration, other legal and contractual disputes, claims and administrative proceedings in the future. If any of those happens, our business, results of operations and financial condition may be materially and adversely affected.

We face risks in relation to inability to obtain and maintain the approvals, licenses and permits required for our operations.

We are required to maintain various approvals, licenses and permits in order to operate our business. These approvals, licenses and permits are granted upon satisfactory compliance with, among other things, the applicable laws and regulations. Also, they may be valid only for a fixed period of time and subject to renewal and accreditation.

We may experience difficulties, delays, or failures in obtaining the necessary approvals, licenses and permits for our businesses. In addition, there can be no assurance that we will be able to obtain or renew all of the approvals, licenses and permits required for our existing business operations in a timely manner, or at all. If we fail to obtain and/or maintain required approvals, licenses, or permits, our ongoing business could be interrupted, and our expansion plan may be delayed.

Complying with government regulations may require substantial expenses, and any non-compliance may expose us to liability. In case of any non-compliance, we may have to incur significant expenses, and divert substantial management time and resources to resolving any deficiencies. We may also experience negative publicity arising from such deficiencies, which could have a material and adverse impact on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

# Any failure or perceived failure to comply with data privacy and security laws could subject us to potential liabilities.

We collect and store business and transaction data generated during or in connection with our business operations, including our business and transactions with our customers, suppliers and business partners. The secure maintenance of such data is critical. We process data in compliance with the applicable legal requirements to ensure data security. Our operations are subject to a variety of laws and regulations concerning data privacy and security. Failure to comply with the increasing number of data protection laws in the PRC, as well as the data security and privacy laws in other jurisdictions where we operate, could result in significant reputational damage and adversely affect our business performance. To ensure compliance with evolving data privacy laws, regulations and standards, it will be necessary to maintain robust internal control and risk management policies, which will require substantial commitment of resources and efforts. The unauthorized access, loss, or misuse of data could lead to increased security costs, damage to our reputation, regulatory proceedings, litigation, fines, investigations, remediation efforts, indemnification expenditures, and disruptions to our business activities. Such incidents may also result in additional costs associated with defending against legal claims. Concerns from our customers, employees, and third parties, even if unfounded, may also have a detrimental impact on our reputation and operations.

Failure to comply with the PRC Social Insurance Law and the Regulation on the Administration of Housing Provident Funds or other PRC labor related regulations may subject us to fines and other legal or administrative sanctions.

Companies operating in the PRC have to participate in various employee benefit plans required by the government, including certain social insurance, housing provident funds and other welfare-oriented payment obligations. The requirement and implementation of employee benefit plans may vary considering the different levels of economic development in different locations in the PRC, and the relevant government authorities may examine whether an employer has made adequate payments of the requisite employee benefit payments, employers who fail to make adequate payments as required may be subject to late payment fees, fines and/or other penalties. There is no assurance that our historical and current practice will at all times be deemed in full compliance with relevant laws and regulations by government authorities. In the event of any such non-compliance, we may be required to pay any shortfall in social insurance contributions within a prescribed time period and to pay penalties if we fail to do so.

During the Track Record Period, we had not made social insurance and housing provident funds for some of our employees in full in accordance with the relevant PRC laws and regulations. According to the applicable laws and regulations, the competent government authorities may demand us to take rectification measures. If we fail to take the measures as demanded, we may be subject to fines. See "Regulatory Overview — Regulatory Environment in the PRC — Regulations on Labour and Employment." As of the Latest Practicable Date, no competent governmental authorities had imposed administrative action, fine or penalty to us nor had any competent governmental authorities required us to settle the outstanding amount of social insurance payments and housing provident fund contributions. Although we are rectifying such non-compliance, we cannot assure you that we will not be subject to fines and penalties in relation to our failure to make social insurance and housing provident fund contributions in full for our employees. Our business, reputation and results of operations may be adversely affected.

During the Track Record Period, we engaged a third-party human resources agency to pay social insurance premium and housing provident funds for certain of our employees. Pursuant to the PRC laws and regulations, we are required to pay social insurance premium and housing provident funds for our employees under our own accounts instead of making payments under third-party accounts. The contributions to social insurance premium and housing provident funds made through third-party accounts may not be viewed as fully compliance, and as a result, we may be required by competent governmental authorities to pay the outstanding amounts. Pursuant to the agreements entered into between such a third-party human resources agency and us, the agency has the obligation to pay social insurance premium and housing provident funds for our relevant employees. The third-party human resources agency has confirmed in writing that they have paid such full contributions. During the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, we had not received any administrative penalty or labour arbitration application from employees for their agency arrangement with the third-party human resources agency. In addition, if such human resource agency fails to pay the

social insurance premium or housing provident funds for and on behalf of our employees in full as required by applicable PRC laws and regulations, we may also be subject to additional contributions, late payment fees and/or penalties imposed by the relevant PRC governmental authorities for failing to discharge our obligations in relation to payment of social insurance and housing provident funds as an employer or be ordered to rectify. This in turn may adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations. Although we plan to comply with requests and requirements, if any, imposed by the relevant regulatory agencies on us with respect to our engagement of the third-party human resources agency, we cannot assure you that we would not be required to make additional payments or be subject to penalties or liabilities in relation to our existing practise.

Our PRC Legal Advisor is of the opinion that, provided that there are no significant changes in the current policies, regulations and local government enforcement and supervision requirements related to social insurance and housing provident fund, and no major employee complaints, reports or related lawsuits/arbitrations are filed, we and our major subsidiaries in PRC face a remote risk of being subject to centralized collection of underpaid contributions or significant administrative penalties for above issues by the authorities overseeing social insurance and housing provident fund.

In addition, as the interpretation and implementation of the Labor Contract Law, the Social Insurance Law and other labor related regulations are evolving, we cannot assure you that our employment practice do not and will not violate labor-related laws and regulations in the PRC, which may subject us to labor disputes or government investigations, we cannot assure that such risks we may be exposed to will not adversely affect our reputation, business, results of operations and financial condition or otherwise divert our resources in handling any lawsuits, legal proceedings or complaints.

#### Failure to register our lease agreements can result in penalties.

We currently lease several premises in China. Under the PRC laws and regulations, lease agreements in general are required to be registered with the local land and real estate administration bureau. The lease agreements for some of our leased properties in China have not been registered with the relevant PRC government authorities. Although failure to do so does not in itself invalidate the leases, we may be subject to fines if we fail to rectify such non-compliance within the prescribed time frame after receiving notice from the relevant PRC government authorities. The penalty ranges from RMB1,000 to RMB10,000 for each unregistered lease, at the discretion of the relevant authority. As of the Latest Practicable Date, we had not registered eight lease agreements for our major leased properties. If we receive notice from the relevant PRC government authorities requiring us to complete the registration within the prescribed time frame and if we fail to do so, the maximum aggregate amount of potential administrative penalties we would be subject to for the eight lease agreements is RMB80,000. In the event that any fine is imposed on us for our failure to register our lease agreements, we may not be able to recover such losses from the lessors.

We have awarded and may continue to award equity instruments under equity incentive plans, which may cause shareholding dilution to our Shareholders and result in increased share-based compensations.

We adopted the Share Incentive Plans during the Track Record Period. See "Appendix IV — Statutory and General Information — Share Incentive Plans." In 2022, 2023 and 2024, we recorded share-based compensations of RMB203.2 million, RMB97.1 million and RMB159.0 million, respectively. To further incentivize our employees, we may adopt other equity incentive plans and award additional equity incentives in the future. Issuance of Shares with respect to our equity incentive plan may dilute the shareholding of our existing Shareholders and incur substantial share-based compensations that could have a material and adverse impact on our results of operations.

#### Our insurance coverage may be insufficient to cover all of our potential losses.

We maintain insurance policies to cover product liabilities, general liabilities and product recall. In addition, we have purchased a number of property-related insurance policies covering our facilities, machinery, equipment, inventories and other assets. We cannot assure you that our insurance will provide adequate coverage for all the risks in connection with our business operations. If we were to incur substantial losses and liabilities that are not covered by our insurance policies, we may be required to bear our losses to the extent that our insurance coverage is insufficient. As a result, we could suffer significant costs and diversion of our resources, which could have a material and adverse impact on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

## RISKS RELATING TO THE JURISDICTION IN WHICH WE OPERATE

Changes in economic, political or social conditions or government policies in the markets in which we operate could have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

We operate our business in mainland China and overseas. Accordingly, our business, financial condition and results of operations may be influenced to a significant degree by political, economic and social conditions in these markets. Geopolitical, economic and market conditions, including factors such as the liquidity of the global financial markets, the level and volatility of debt and equity prices, interest rates, currency and commodities prices, inflation and the availability and cost of capital and credit have been and will continue to affect the markets where we operate. In some of these markets, governments continue to play a significant role in regulating industry development by imposing industrial policies. Additionally, we are a company incorporated under the PRC laws and a majority of our assets are located in mainland China, our financial condition, results of operations and prospects are subject to economic, political, and legal developments in China. Any changes in the global or local economy in the markets in which we operate may materially and adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

It may be complex to effect service of process upon us or our management or to enforce against them or us any judgments obtained from foreign courts.

We are a company incorporated under the PRC laws and a majority of our assets are located in mainland China. In addition, most of our Directors and senior management reside in mainland China. As a result, it may be complex for investors to effect service of process outside of mainland China upon us, our Directors or senior management or to enforce judgments obtained against us in courts outside mainland China. A judgment of a court of another jurisdiction may be reciprocally recognized or enforced in mainland China only if the jurisdiction has a treaty with mainland China or if the jurisdiction has been otherwise deemed by the courts of mainland China to satisfy the requirements for reciprocal recognition, subject to the satisfaction of other requirements. However, mainland China is not a party to treaties providing for the reciprocal enforcement of judgments of courts with certain foreign countries such as the United States, and enforcement in mainland China of judgments of a court in these jurisdictions may consequently be difficult or impossible. On January 14, 2019, the Supreme People's Court and the Department of Justice under the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region signed the Arrangement on Reciprocal Recognition and Enforcement of Judgments in Civil and Commercial Matters by the Courts of the Mainland and of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (關於內地與香港特別行政區法院相互認可和執行民商事 案件判決的安排) (the "2019 Arrangement"), which became effective on January 29, 2024. The 2019 Arrangement regulates, among others, the scope and particulars of judgments, the procedures and methods of the application for recognition or enforcement, the review of the jurisdiction of the court that issued the original judgment, the circumstances where the recognition and enforcement of a judgment shall be refused, and the approaches towards remedies for the reciprocal recognition and enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters between the courts in mainland China and those in Hong Kong.

We may be subject to additional regulatory requirements under new laws and regulations on overseas offerings and listings issued by PRC government authorities.

On July 6, 2021, the relevant PRC government authorities issued the Opinions on Strictly Cracking Down Illegal Securities Activities in Accordance with the Law (《關於依法從嚴打擊 證券違法活動的意見》). These opinions emphasized the need to strengthen the administration over illegal securities activities and the supervision on overseas listings by China-based companies and proposed to take effective measures, such as promoting the construction of relevant regulatory systems to deal with the risks and incidents faced by China-based overseas-listed companies. See "Regulatory Overview — Regulations on Securities and Filing for Overseas Listing."

On February 24, 2023, the CSRC, the MOF, the National Administration of State Secrets Protection of China, and the National Archives Administration of China published the Provisions on Strengthening Confidentiality and Archives Administration of Overseas Securities Offering and Listing by Domestic Companies (《關於加強境內企業境外發行證券和上市相關保密和檔案管理工作的規定》) (the "Archives Rules"), which came into effect on March 31, 2023. The Archives Rules require that, in relation to the overseas securities offering and listing activities of domestic enterprises, either in direct or indirect form, such domestic enterprises, as well as securities companies and securities service institutions providing relevant securities services, are required to strictly comply with relevant requirements on confidentiality and archives management, establish a sound confidentiality and archives system, and take necessary measures to implement their confidentiality and archives management responsibilities. The interpretation and implementation of the Archives Rules may keep evolving, failure to comply with which may materially affect our business, results of operations or financial conditions.

We may be subject to the approval, filing or other requirements of the CSRC or other PRC governmental authorities in connection with future capital raising activities.

We cannot assure you that any new rules or regulations promulgated in the future will not impose additional requirements or restrictions on us or our financing activities. If it is determined in the future that approval from or filing with the CSRC or other regulatory authorities or other procedures are required, we may fail to obtain such approval, perform such filing procedures or meet such other requirements in a timely manner or at all. We may face sanctions by the CSRC or other PRC regulatory authorities for failure to seek CSRC approval or other government authorization, or perform filing procedures, for our future financing activities, and these regulatory authorities may impose fines and penalties on us, limit our operating activities in the PRC, limit our ability to pay dividends outside the PRC, delay or restrict the repatriation of the proceeds from such future financing activities into the PRC or take other actions to restrict our financing activities, which could have a material and adverse effect on our financial conditions and business prospects.

#### We are subject to the currency exchange regulatory system.

The conversion of Renminbi is subject to applicable laws and regulations in the PRC. It cannot be guaranteed that under a certain exchange rate, we will have sufficient foreign exchange to meet our foreign exchange requirements. Under the current PRC foreign exchange regulatory system, foreign exchange transactions under the current account conducted by us, including the payment of dividends, do not require advance approval from the SAFE, but we are required to present documentary evidence of such transactions and conduct such transactions at designated foreign exchange banks within China that have the licenses to carry out foreign exchange business.

Under existing foreign exchange regulations, following the completion of the [REDACTED], we will be able to pay dividends in foreign currencies without prior approval from the SAFE by complying with certain procedural requirements. However, there is no assurance that these foreign exchange policies regarding payment of dividends in foreign currencies will continue in the future. In addition, any insufficiency of foreign exchange may restrict our ability to pay dividends to shareholders or to satisfy any other foreign exchange requirements, capitalize our capital expenditure plans, and even our results of operations, financial performance and business prospects may be affected.

#### The preferential tax treatments granted by the PRC government may become unavailable.

During the Track Record Period, we were subject to certain preferential tax rates. See "Financial Information — Principal Components of Results of Operations," and note 7 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report." We cannot assure you that the PRC policies on preferential tax treatments will not change or that the current preferential tax treatments we enjoy or will be entitled to enjoy will not be canceled. Moreover, we cannot assure you that our PRC subsidiaries will be able to renew the same preferential tax treatments upon expiration. If any such change, cancelation or discontinuation of preferential tax treatment occurs, the relevant PRC subsidiary will be subject to the PRC enterprise income tax, at a rate of 25% on taxable income. As a result, the increase in our tax charge could lead to a material and adverse impact on our results of operations and financial condition.

#### RISKS RELATING TO THE [REDACTED]

# We will be concurrently subject to listing and regulatory requirements of PRC and Hong Kong.

As we are listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange and will be [REDACTED] on the Main Board in Hong Kong, we will be required to comply with the listing rules (where applicable) and other regulatory regimes of both jurisdictions, unless an exemption is available or a waiver has been obtained. Accordingly, we may incur additional costs and resources in continuously complying with all sets of listing rules in the two jurisdictions.

Our A Shares are listed and traded on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, and the characteristics of the A share and H share markets may differ.

Our A Shares are listed and traded on the Shanghai Stock Exchange. Following the [REDACTED], our A Shares will continue to be traded on the Shanghai Stock Exchange and our H Shares will be [REDACTED] on the Stock Exchange. Under current laws and regulations of PRC, without the approval from the relevant regulatory authorities, our H Shares and A Shares are neither interchangeable nor fungible, and there is no trading or settlement between the H Share and A Share markets. With different trading characteristics, the H Share and A Share markets have divergent trading volumes, liquidity and investor bases, as well as different levels of retail and institutional investor participation. As a result, the trading performance of our H Shares and A Shares may not be comparable. Nonetheless, fluctuations in the price of our A Shares may adversely affect the price of our H Shares, and vice versa. Due to the different characteristics of the H Share and A Share markets, the historical prices of our A Shares may not be indicative of the performance of our H Shares. You should therefore not place undue reliance on the trading history of our A Shares when evaluating the investment decision in our H Shares.

## There has been no prior public market for our H Shares.

Prior to the completion of the [REDACTED], there has been no public market for our H Shares. There can be no guarantee that an active trading market for our H Shares will develop or be sustained after the completion of the [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] is the result of negotiations between our Company and the [REDACTED] (for themselves and on behalf of the [REDACTED]), which may not be indicative of the price at which our Shares will be traded following the completion of the [REDACTED]. The market price of our H Shares may drop below the [REDACTED] at any time after completion of the [REDACTED].

The trading volume and market price of our H Shares may be volatile, which may result in substantial losses for investors subscribing for or purchasing our H Shares pursuant to the [REDACTED].

The trading price of our H Shares may be volatile and could fluctuate widely in response to factors beyond our control. In particular, the performance and fluctuation of the market prices of other companies with business operations located mainly in mainland China that have listed their securities in Hong Kong may affect the volatility in the price of and trading volumes for our H Shares. A number of mainland China-based companies have listed their securities, and some are in the process of preparing for listing their securities, in Hong Kong. The share price of some of these companies has experienced significant volatility, including significant price declines after their initial public offerings. The trading performances of the securities of these companies at the time of or after their offerings may affect the overall investor sentiment toward mainland China-based companies listed in Hong Kong and consequently may impact the trading performance of our Shares. These factors may significantly affect the market price and volatility of our Shares, regardless of our actual operating performance.

Future sales or perceived sales of substantial amounts of our Shares in the public market could negatively affect the price of our Shares and our ability to raise additional capital in the future.

The market price of our H Shares could decline as a result of future sales of a substantial number of our Shares or other securities relating to our H Shares in the public market, the issuance of new shares or other securities, or the perception that such sales or issuances may occur. Future sales, or perceived sales, of substantial amounts of our securities, including any future offerings, could also materially and adversely affect our ability to raise capital at a specific time and on terms favorable to us. Equity-linked securities issued by us may also confer rights and privileges that take priority over those conferred by the Shares.

You will incur immediate and significant dilution and may face further dilution if we issue additional Shares in the future.

The [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED] is higher than the net tangible asset value per Share immediately prior to the [REDACTED]. Therefore, purchasers of the [REDACTED] in the [REDACTED] will experience an immediate dilution in [REDACTED] consolidated net tangible asset value. To expand our business, we may consider offering and issuing additional Shares in the future. Purchasers of the [REDACTED] may experience dilution in the net tangible asset value per Share of their Shares if we issue additional Shares in the future at a price that is lower than the net tangible asset value per Share at that time.

We have significant discretion as to how we will use the net [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED], and you may not necessarily agree with how we use them.

Our management may spend the net [REDACTED] from the [REDACTED] in ways you may not agree with or that do not yield a favorable return to our Shareholders. We plan to use the net [REDACTED] from the [REDACTED] for, among other things, enhancement of our R&D capabilities, strategical investment and acquisition, global strategic expansion and supplement working capital. See "Future Plans and Use of [REDACTED]." However, our management will have discretion as to the actual application of our net [REDACTED]. You are entrusting your funds to our management, whose judgment you must depend on, for the specific uses we will make of the net [REDACTED] from this [REDACTED].

There can be no assurance that we will declare and distribute any amount of dividend in the future.

We have declared dividends in the past. However, there is no assurance that dividends of any amount will be declared or distributed by us in any year in the future. Under the applicable PRC laws, the payment of dividends may be subject to certain limitations. The calculation of our profit under applicable accounting standards differs in certain respects from the calculation under IFRS Accounting Standards. As a result, we may not be able to pay a dividend in a given year even if we were profitable as determined under IFRS Accounting Standards. Our Board may declare dividends in the future after taking into account our results of operations, financial

condition, cash requirements and availability and other factors as it may deem relevant at such time. Any declaration and payment as well as the amount of dividends will be subject to our constitutional documents and the PRC laws and regulations and require approval at our shareholders' meeting. No dividend shall be declared or payable except out of our profits and reserves lawfully available for distribution.

The dividends payable to investors and gains on the sale of our H Shares by our investors are subject to PRC tax.

Under applicable PRC tax laws, regulations and statutory documents, non-PRC resident individuals and enterprises are subject to different tax obligations with respect to dividends received from us or gains realized upon the sale or other disposition of our H Shares. Non-PRC individuals are generally subject to PRC individual income tax under the Individual Income Tax Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國個人所得稅法》) with respect to PRC source income or gains at a rate of 20% unless specifically exempted by the tax authority of the State Council or reduced or eliminated by an applicable tax treaty. We are required to withhold related tax from dividend payments. Pursuant to applicable regulations, domestic non-foreign-invested enterprises issuing shares in Hong Kong may generally, when distributing dividends, withhold individual income tax at the rate of 10%. However, withholding tax on distributions paid by us to non-PRC individuals may be imposed at other rates pursuant to applicable tax treaties (and up to 20% if no tax treaty is applicable) if the identity of the individual holder of H shares and the tax rate applicable thereto are known to us. There is uncertainty as to whether gains realized upon disposition of H shares by non-PRC individuals are subject to PRC individual income tax.

Non-PRC resident enterprises that do not have establishments or premises in the PRC, or that have establishments or premises in the PRC but their income is not related to such establishments or premises are subject to PRC EIT at the rate of 10% on dividends received from PRC companies and gains realized upon disposition of equity interests in the PRC companies pursuant to the EIT Law and other applicable PRC tax regulations and statutory documents, which may be reduced or eliminated under special arrangements or applicable treaties between the PRC and the jurisdiction where the non-resident enterprise resides.

Pursuant to applicable regulations, we intend to withhold tax at a rate of 10% from dividends paid to non-PRC resident enterprise holders of our H Shares (including HKSCC Nominees). Non-PRC resident enterprises that are entitled to be taxed at a reduced rate under an applicable income tax treaty will be required to apply to the PRC tax authorities for a refund of any amount withheld in excess of the applicable treaty rate, and payment of such refund will be subject to the PRC tax authorities' verification. As of the Latest Practicable Date, there were no specific rules on how to levy tax on gains realized by non-resident enterprise holders of H shares through the sale or transfer by other means of H shares.

There remains significant uncertainty as to the interpretation and application of the relevant PRC tax laws by the PRC tax authorities, including whether and how individual income tax or EIT on gains derived by holders of our H Shares from their disposition of our H Shares may be collected. If any such tax is collected, the value of our H Shares may be materially and adversely affected.

You should not place any reliance on any information released by us in connection with the listing of our A Shares on the Shanghai Stock Exchange.

As our A Shares are listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, we have been subject to periodic reporting and other information disclosure requirements in PRC. As a result, from time to time, we publicly release information relating to us on the Shanghai Stock Exchange or other media outlets designated by the CSRC. However, the information announced by us in connection with the A Shares listing is based on regulatory requirements of the securities authorities, industry standards and market practices in mainland China, which are different from those applicable to the [REDACTED]. The presentation of financial and operational information for the Track Record Period disclosed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange or other media outlets may not be directly comparable to the financial and operational information contained in this document. As a result, prospective investors in the H Shares should be reminded that, in making their investment decisions as to whether to purchase the H Shares, they should rely only on the financial, operating and other information included in this document. By applying to purchase the H Shares in the [REDACTED], you will be deemed to have agreed that you will not rely on any information other than that contained in this document and any formal announcements made by us in Hong Kong with respect to the [REDACTED].

# Certain statistics contained in this document are derived from publicly available official sources.

This document, particularly the section headed "Industry Overview," contains information and statistics relating to the semiconductor industry in China and internationally. Such information and statistics have been derived from various official governments and other publications. We believe that the sources of such information are appropriate, and we have taken reasonable care in extracting and reproducing such information. We have no reason to believe that such information is false or misleading in any material respect or that any fact has been omitted that would render such information false or misleading in any material respect. The information and statistics from official government sources have not been independently verified by the Company, the Joint Sponsors, [REDACTED], any of our or their respective Directors, executive officers or representatives or any other person involved in the [REDACTED] and no representation is given as to their accuracy. You should therefore not place undue reliance on such information. In addition, we cannot assure you that such information is stated or compiled on the same basis or with the same degree of accuracy as or consistent with similar statistics presented elsewhere, and such information may not be complete or up-to-date. In any event, you should consider carefully the importance placed on such information or statistics.

You should read the entire document carefully and should not rely on any information contained in press articles or other media regarding us and the [REDACTED].

There have been, prior to the publication of this document, and there may be, subsequent to the date of this document but prior to the completion of the [REDACTED], press and media coverage regarding us, our business, our industry and the [REDACTED]. Such press and media coverage may include references to certain information that does not appear in this document, including certain operating and financial information and projections, valuations and other information. None of us, the Joint Sponsors, [REDACTED] or any other person involved in the [REDACTED] has authorized the disclosure of any such information in the press or media coverage, or accepts any responsibility for any such press or media coverage or the accuracy or completeness of any such information or publication.

Accordingly, prospective investors should not rely on any such information or publication in making their decision whether to invest in our H Shares. Prospective investors are reminded that, in making their investment decisions as to whether to purchase our Shares, they should rely only on the financial, operational, and other information included in this document. By applying to purchase our H Shares in the [**REDACTED**], you will be deemed to have agreed that you will not rely on any information other than that contained in this document.

In preparation of the [REDACTED], the Company has sought the following waivers from strict compliance with the relevant provisions of the Listing Rules and exemption from the CWUMPO.

#### WAIVER IN RESPECT OF MANAGEMENT PRESENCE IN HONG KONG

Rules 8.12 and 19A.15 of the Listing Rules provide that a new applicant for listing on the Stock Exchange must have a sufficient management presence in Hong Kong and, under normal circumstances, at least two of the new applicant's executive directors must be ordinarily resident in Hong Kong. Rule 19A.15 of the Listing Rules further provides that the requirement in Rule 8.12 of the Listing Rules may be waived by having regard to, among other considerations, the new applicant's arrangements for maintaining regular communication with the Stock Exchange.

The Company's headquarters are based, and most of the business operations of the Group, are managed and conducted in the PRC. The executive Directors ordinarily reside in the PRC, as the Board believes it would be more effective and efficient for the executive Directors to be based in a location where the Group's substantial operations are located. As such, the Company does not and, in the foreseeable future, will not be able to comply with the requirements of Rules 8.12 and 19A.15 of the Listing Rules for sufficient management presence in Hong Kong.

Accordingly, pursuant to Rule 19A.15 of the Listing Rules, the Company has applied to the Stock Exchange for, and the Stock Exchange [has granted], a waiver from strict compliance with the requirements under Rules 8.12 and 19A.15 of the Listing Rules, provided that the Company implements the following arrangements:

- (i) the Company has appointed Mr. Hu Hong and Ms. Wong Wai Yee, Ella ("Ms. Wong") as the authorized representatives of the Company (the "Authorized Representatives") for the purpose of Rule 3.05 of the Listing Rules. The Authorized Representatives will serve as the Company's principal channel of communication with the Stock Exchange. They can be readily contactable by phone and email to deal promptly with enquiries from the Stock Exchange and will also be available to meet with the Stock Exchange to discuss any matters on short notice. The contact details of the Authorized Representatives have been provided to the Stock Exchange;
- (ii) all the Directors who are not ordinarily resident in Hong Kong possess or can apply for valid travel documents to visit Hong Kong and can meet with the Stock Exchange within a reasonable period. In addition, each Director has provided his/her contact details, including office phone numbers, mobile phone numbers (if any) and email addresses, to the Authorized Representatives and to the Stock Exchange, so that each of the Authorized Representatives and the Stock Exchange would be able to contact all the Directors (including the independent non-executive Directors) promptly at all times if and when the Stock Exchange wishes to contact the Directors;

- (iii) the Company has appointed Altus Capital Limited as its Compliance Advisor for the period commencing on the [REDACTED] and ending on the date on which the Company complies with Rule 13.46 of the Listing Rules in respect of the Company's financial results for the first full financial year commencing after the [REDACTED], or until the agreement is terminated, whichever is earlier. The Compliance Advisor will act as the Company's additional and alternative channel of communication with the Stock Exchange, and its representatives will be readily available to answer enquiries from the Stock Exchange; and
- (iv) the Company has appointed designated staff members as the responsible communication officers at the Company's headquarters to oversee regular communication with the Authorized Representatives and the Company's professional advisors in Hong Kong, including its legal advisors and the Compliance Advisor, keep abreast of any correspondence and/or inquiries from the Stock Exchange and report to the executive Directors, streamlining communication between the Stock Exchange and the Company following the [REDACTED].

#### WAIVER IN RESPECT OF JOINT COMPANY SECRETARIES

Pursuant to Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules, the company secretary must be an individual who, by virtue of his or her academic or professional qualifications or relevant experiences, is, in the opinion of the Stock Exchange, capable of discharging the functions of the company secretary. Pursuant to Note 1 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules, the Stock Exchange considers the following academic or professional qualifications to be acceptable:

- (i) a member of The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute;
- (ii) a solicitor or barrister (as defined in the Legal Practitioners Ordinance); and
- (iii) a certified public accountant (as defined in the Professional Accountants Ordinance).

Pursuant to Note 2 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules, in assessing "relevant experience," the Stock Exchange will consider the individual's:

- (i) length of employment with the issuer and other issuers and the roles he played;
- (ii) familiarity with the Listing Rules and other relevant law and regulations including the SFO, Companies Ordinance, Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance, and the Takeovers Code;
- (iii) relevant training taken and/or to be taken in addition to the minimum requirement under Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules; and
- (iv) professional qualifications in other jurisdictions.

The Company has appointed Ms. Dong Lingvan ("Ms. Dong") as one of the joint company secretaries. Ms. Dong joined the Group in June 2024. She currently also holds the position of the Board secretary of the Company. See "Directors and Senior Management" in this document for further biographical details of Ms. Dong. Although Ms. Dong does not possess the qualifications set out in Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules, the Company believes that it would be in the best interests of the Company and the corporate governance of the Group to have Ms. Dong as its joint company secretary who is familiar with the Group's internal operation and management and possesses professional knowledge and experience in handling corporate governance and compliance, legal affairs and public relationship related matters. The Company has also appointed Ms. Wong to act as the other joint company secretary to assist Ms. Dong in discharging the duties of a company secretary of the Company. Ms. Wong is a Chartered Secretary, a Chartered Governance Professional and a Fellow of both The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute and The Chartered Governance Institute in the United Kingdom and is therefore qualified under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules to act as a joint company secretary of the Company. See "Directors and Senior Management" for further biographical details of Ms. Wong.

Since Ms. Dong does not possess the formal qualifications required of a company secretary under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules, the Company has applied to the Stock Exchange for, and the Stock Exchange [has granted], a waiver from strict compliance with the requirements under Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules for a period of three years since the [REDACTED] on the following conditions: (i) Ms. Dong must be assisted by Ms. Wong who possesses the qualifications or experience as required under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules and is appointed as a joint company secretary throughout the waiver period; and (ii) the waiver can be revoked in the event of a material breach of the Listing Rules by the Company.

In support of the waiver application, the Company has adopted, or will adopt the following arrangements:

- (i) in preparation of the application of the [REDACTED], Ms. Dong has attended training on the respective obligations of the Directors, senior management and the Company under the relevant Hong Kong laws and the Listing Rules organised by the Hong Kong legal advisor to the Company;
- (ii) Ms. Wong will work closely with Ms. Dong to jointly discharge the duties and responsibilities as the joint company secretaries and to assist Ms. Dong in acquiring the relevant experience as required under the Listing Rules for an initial period of three years from the [REDACTED], a period which should be sufficient for Ms. Dong to acquire the relevant experience as required under the Listing Rules;
- (iii) the Company will ensure that Ms. Dong continues to have access to the relevant training and support in relation to the Listing Rules and the duties required for a company secretary of an issuer listed on the Stock Exchange. Furthermore, both Ms.

Dong and Ms. Wong will seek advice from the Company's Hong Kong legal and other professional advisors as and when required. Ms. Dong also undertakes to take no less than 15 hours of relevant professional training in each financial year of the Company; and

(iv) at the end of the three-year period, the qualifications and experience of Ms. Dong and the need for on-going assistance of Ms. Wong will be further evaluated by the Company. The Company will then endeavour to demonstrate to the Stock Exchange's satisfaction that Ms. Dong, having had the benefit of the assistance of Ms. Wong for the immediately preceding three years, has acquired the relevant experience (within the meaning of Note 2 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules) such that a further waiver from Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules will not be necessary. The Company understands that the Stock Exchange may revoke the waiver if Ms. Wong ceases to provide assistance to Ms. Dong during the three-year period.

Prior to the expiry of the three-year period, the Company will liaise with the Stock Exchange to enable it to assess whether Ms. Dong has acquired the relevant experience within the meaning of Note 2 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules.

# WAIVER AND EXEMPTION IN RESPECT OF THE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS IN RELATION TO THE STOCK OPTION INCENTIVE PLANS

The Listing Rules and the CWUMPO prescribe certain disclosure requirements in relation to the stock options granted by the Company (the "ESOP Disclosure Requirements"):

- (i) Rule 17.02(1)(b) of the Listing Rules stipulates that all material terms of a scheme must be clearly set out in this document. The Company is also required to disclose in this document full details of all outstanding options and their potential dilution effect on the shareholdings upon [REDACTED] as well as the impact on the earnings per Share arising from the issue of Shares in respect of such outstanding options;
- (ii) Paragraph 27 of Appendix D1A to the Listing Rules requires the Company to set out in this document particulars of any capital of any member of the Group that is under option, or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be put under option, including the consideration for which the option was or will be granted and the price and duration of the option, and the name and address of the grantee; and
- (iii) Paragraph 10 of Part I of the Third Schedule to the CWUMPO requires the Company to disclose, amongst others, details of the number, description and amount of any Shares in or debentures of the Company which any person has, or is entitled to be given, an option to subscribe for, together with the particulars of the option, that is to say, (a) the period during which it is exercisable; (b) the price to be paid for Shares or debentures subscribed for under it; (c) the consideration (if any) given or

to be given for it or for the right to it; and (d) the names and addresses of the persons to whom it or the right to it was given or, if given to existing Shareholders or debenture holders as such, the relevant Shares or debentures must be specified in this document.

Pursuant to paragraphs 6 to 7 of Chapter 3.6 of the Guide for New Listing Applicants, the Stock Exchange would normally grant waivers from disclosing the names and addresses of certain grantees if the issuer could demonstrate that such disclosures would be irrelevant and unduly burdensome, subject to certain conditions specified therein.

The Company and its subsidiaries may, from time to time, adopt share incentive plans. For details of the Stock Option Incentive Plans which may involve the issuance of new A Shares, see section headed "Appendix IV — Statutory and General Information — Share Incentive Plans."

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the Company had granted outstanding options under the Stock Option Incentive Plans to 962 grantees who are employees of the Group, including six Directors, members of senior management and other connected persons of the Company and 956 other employees of the Group, entitling them to subscribe for an aggregate of 14,157,184 A Shares. As of the Latest Practicable Date, among the outstanding options, 2,539,200 were held by six Directors, members of senior management and other connected persons of the Company and 11,617,984 were held by 956 employees of the Group. The Shares underlying the granted options represent [REDACTED]% of the total issued share capital of the Company immediately after completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans).

The Company has applied to: (i) the Stock Exchange for a waiver from strict compliance with the disclosure requirements under Rule 17.02(1)(b) of, and paragraph 27 of Appendix D1A to, the Listing Rules; and (ii) the SFC for a certificate of exemption under section 342A of the CWUMPO exempting the Company from strict compliance with paragraph 10(d) of Part I of the Third Schedule to the CWUMPO, respectively, on the ground that strict compliance with the above requirements would be unduly burdensome for the Company and the exemption would not prejudice the interests of the investing public for the following reasons:

(i) given that 956 grantees (who are not Directors, senior management or other connected persons of the Company) are involved for the grant of outstanding options, strict compliance with such disclosure requirements in setting out full details of all the grantees under the Stock Option Incentive Plans in this document would be costly and unduly burdensome for the Company in light of a significant increase in cost and timing for information compilation and document preparation. For example, the Company would need to collect and verify the addresses of a large number of grantees to meet the disclosure requirement;

- (ii) the grant and exercise in full of the options under the Stock Option Incentive Plans will not cause any material adverse impact to the financial position of the Group. The 956 grantees who are not Directors, senior management or other connected persons of the Company have been granted options entitling them to subscribe for an aggregate of 11,617,984 A Shares, representing [REDACTED]% of the total issued share capital of the Company immediately after completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans), which is not material in the circumstances of the Company;
- (iii) there will not be any new H Shares issued under the Stock Option Incentive Plans as such Stock Option Incentive Plans are A-share incentive schemes;
- (iv) non-compliance with the above disclosure requirements would not prevent the Company from providing its potential investors with an informed assessment of the activities, assets, liabilities, financial position, management and prospects of the Company; and
- (v) material information relating to the Shares under the Stock Option Incentive Plans has been disclosed in this document to provide prospective investors with sufficient information to make an informed assessment of the potential dilutive effect and impact on earnings per Share of the options in making their investment decision, and such information includes:
  - (a) a summary of the latest terms of the Stock Option Incentive Plans;
  - (b) the aggregate number of Shares subject to the options and the percentage in the total issued share capital of the Company of which such number represents;
  - (c) the dilutive effect and the impact on earnings per Share upon full exercise of the options immediately following completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans);
  - (d) full details of the options granted by the Company to Directors, senior management and other connected persons of the Company, on an individual basis, are disclosed in this document, and such details include all the particulars required under Rule 17.02(1)(b) of the Listing Rules, paragraph 27 of Appendix D1A to the Listing Rules and paragraph 10 of Part I of the Third Schedule to the CWUMPO;
  - (e) with respect to the options granted to other grantees (other than those referred to in (d) above), disclosure are made on an aggregate basis, including (1) the aggregate number of grantees and the number of Shares subject to the options; (2) the consideration (if any) paid for the grant of the options; and (3) the exercise period of the options and the exercise price for the options; and

(f) the particulars of the waiver and exemption granted by the Stock Exchange and the SFC, respectively.

The Company has applied for, and the Stock Exchange [has granted], a waiver from strict compliance with the applicable ESOP Disclosure Requirements on the conditions that:

- (i) on an individual basis, full details of the options under the Stock Option Incentive Plans granted by the Company to each of the Directors, members of senior management and other connected persons of the Company, will be disclosed in the section headed "Appendix IV Statutory and General Information Share Incentive Plans" as required under Rule 17.02(1)(b) of, and paragraph 27 of Appendix D1A to, the Listing Rules, and paragraph 10 of Part I of the Third Schedule to the CWUMPO;
- (ii) in respect of the options under the Stock Option Incentive Plans granted to the remaining grantees (being the other grantees who are not the Directors, senior management or other connected persons of the Company), disclosure will be made, on an aggregate basis, including (1) the aggregate number of grantees and the number of Shares subject to the options; (2) the consideration (if any) paid for the grant of the options; and (3) the exercise period of the options and the exercise price for the options;
- (iii) aggregate number of Shares underlying the options granted under the Stock Option Incentive Plans and the percentage to the total issued share capital of the Company represented by such number of Shares as of the Latest Practicable Date;
- (iv) the dilutive effect and impact on earnings per Share upon the full exercise of the options under the Stock Option Incentive Plans will be disclosed in the section headed "Appendix IV — Statutory and General Information — Share Incentive Plans";
- (v) a summary of the major terms of the Stock Option Incentive Plans will be disclosed in the section headed "Appendix IV — Statutory and General Information — Share Incentive Plans";
- (vi) full lists of all the grantees with outstanding options under the Stock Option Incentive Plans containing all the particulars as required under Rule 17.02(1)(b) of, and paragraph 27 of Appendix D1A to, the Listing Rules be made available for public inspection in accordance with "Documents Delivered to the Registrar of Companies and Available on Display — Documents Available for Inspection" in Appendix V;
- (vii) the grant of a certificate of exemption under the CWUMPO from the SFC exempting the Company from strict compliance with paragraph 10(d) of Part I of the Third Schedule to the CWUMPO; and

(viii) the particulars of the waiver will be disclosed in this document.

The Company has applied for, and the SFC [has granted], a certificate of exemption under section 342A of the CWUMPO from strict compliance with paragraph 10(d) of Part I of the Third Schedule to the CWUMPO on the conditions that:

- (i) on an individual basis, full details of the options under the Stock Option Incentive Plans granted by the Company to each of the Directors, members of senior management and other connected persons of the Company, will be disclosed in the section headed "Appendix IV Statutory and General Information Share Incentive Plans" as required under Rule 17.02(1)(b) of, and paragraph 27 of Appendix D1A to, the Listing Rules, and paragraph 10 of Part I of the Third Schedule to the CWUMPO;
- (ii) in respect of the options under the Stock Option Incentive Plans granted to the remaining grantees (being the other grantees who are not the Directors, senior management or other connected persons of the Company), disclosure will be made, on an aggregate basis, including (1) the aggregate number of grantees and the number of Shares subject to the options; (2) the consideration (if any) paid for the grant of the options; and (3) the exercise period of the options and the exercise price for the options;
- (iii) full lists of all the grantees with outstanding options under the Stock Option Incentive Plans containing all the particulars as required under Rule 17.02(1)(b) of, and paragraph 27 of Appendix D1A to, the Listing Rules be made available for public inspection in accordance with "Documents Delivered to the Registrar of Companies and Available on Display Documents Available for Inspection" in Appendix V; and
- (iv) the particulars of the exemption will be disclosed in this document which will be issued on or before [REDACTED].

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#### OVERVIEW OF GLOBAL SEMICONDUCTOR INDUSTRY

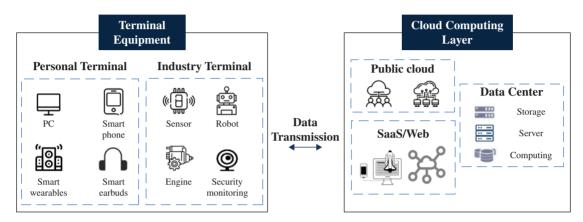
# **Primary Growth Engines of Global Semiconductor Industry**

AI Development Drives Semiconductor Industry Demand Expansion: Artificial Intelligence (AI), as one of the most transformative technologies of the 21st century, enables machine systems to simulate, extend, and expand human intelligence across multiple dimensions through advanced algorithms and big data training. Currently, the importance of AI technology has evolved from pure technological innovation to a strategic factor influencing national competitiveness, industrial upgrading, and social transformation. Both global and Chinese AI development have entered a new phase of accelerated penetration. In terms of data, the total volume of generated data worldwide reached nearly 200ZB in 2024, directly driving rapid growth in semiconductor industry, including memory and computing chips.

Edge AI has significantly expanded the application boundaries of artificial intelligence, transforming traditional terminal devices into intelligent agents with autonomous decision-making capabilities, thereby further promoting the comprehensive AI transformation of core industries such as consumer electronics, automotive, and industrial equipment. Edge AI is rapidly becoming a key direction for AI implementation, with the rapid adoption of AI-powered consumer electronics like AI smartphones and AI PC, which demand more code execution, higher computing power, and enhanced data processing capabilities. For specific semiconductor products, device performance upgrades have led to substantial growth in demand for various memory and computing chips, while real-time decision-making and edge intelligence applications are driving the adoption of high-performance MCU. Additionally, new requirements such as high energy efficiency, high integration, and intelligence are promoting performance upgrades across various analog chips.

On the other hand, Cloud AI specifically refers to distributed artificial intelligence computing architectures that operate on large-scale data centers and cloud server clusters. These AI infrastructures require comprehensive upgrades across the semiconductor supply chain. In terms of memory chips, servers need to process petabytes of massive data. As AI model parameters grow exponentially and training datasets continue to expand, demand for memory chips will surge directly.

AI Architectures: Edge and Cloud



The automotive industry is accelerating its evolution toward electrification, intelligence, and connectivity: In recent years, sales of EV and intelligent vehicles have increased significantly. Their electronic systems are significantly more complex than those of traditional fuel-powered vehicles, with a substantial increase in the number of chips per vehicle, driving up demand for automotive chips. At the same time, electric and intelligent architectures place higher requirements on chips in terms of computing power, energy efficiency, functional safety, and automotive-grade reliability, further driving the continuous increase in the value of chips per vehicle and making them an important source of incremental growth for the semiconductor industry.

High-performance industrial applications continue to upgrade: The accelerated development of industrial automation (such as servo control, robotics, human-machine interaction) and digital energy (such as integrated photovoltaics, energy storage, and charging systems, inverters) is driving the semiconductor industry to upgrade toward higher reliability, greater computing power, and longer lifespan. Industrial scenarios place higher demands on MCU, memory chips, analog chips, etc., requiring compliance with standards such as wide temperature and voltage ranges, strong anti-interference capabilities, high precision, and long-cycle supply. Especially in edge computing, real-time control, and high-frequency power conversion, the dependence on high-performance industrial-grade chips has significantly increased.

# Analysis of Key Applications Driving Global Semiconductor Industry Growth

The downstream demand for semiconductors covers core sectors such as consumer electronics and automotive, serving as the core infrastructure of the overall digital economy. In recent years, with the development of AI technology and its continuous penetration into various industries, it has driven demand in emerging fields such as cloud computing power construction, the emergence and upgrading of intelligent terminal devices, and embodied intelligence. These have become core growth points contributing to future incremental growth in the semiconductor industry. The decline in shipments of some consumer electronics products in 2024 compared to 2020 stems from pent-up demand during the pandemic, economic fluctuations, etc.

# • Consumer electronics: Growth in shipments combined with increased AI penetration

**Shipment & AI Penetration** 

Rate of PC, Global,

2020 & 2024 & 2029E

100%

80%

60%

20%

2029F

Shipment & AI Penetration Rate of Smartphone, Global, 2020 & 2024 & 2029E

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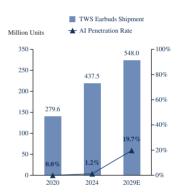
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Shipment & AI Penetration Rate of TWS Earbuds, Global, 2020 & 2024 & 2029E



Source: Frost & Sullivan, IMF

2024

2029E

Consumer electronics is an important application field for semiconductors. Consumer electronic products mainly include mobile phones, PC, wearable devices, etc. AI integration has become the core trend for consumer electronics upgrades, significantly increasing the performance requirements for semiconductor products in terms of computing power, storage capacity, power consumption, and integration density. The core features that distinguish AI-powered smart terminal products such as AI mobile phones, AI PC, and AI earbuds from general products are as follows: transferring the capabilities of large models originally dependent on cloud computing to the terminal side, achieving the unity of local AI computing power, real-time response, and privacy protection.

2024

**Smartphones:** As the category with the largest shipment share in consumer electronics, global smartphone shipments reached 1,245.0 million units in 2024 and are projected to grow to 1,433.3 million units by 2029, representing a CAGR of 2.9%. Driven by AI-powered product upgrades, AI smartphones have become a crucial segment of AI-enabled smart devices, featuring capabilities such as on-device large model operation and multimodal interaction, with computing power significantly higher than conventional smartphones. Global AI smartphone shipments are expected to increase to 774.0 million units by 2029, with penetration rate rising to 54.0%.

In the mobile phone sector, NOR Flash is primarily used to store codes for screen display, touch functions, baseband communication, etc. For example, AMOLED display panels require an external NOR Flash chip to store parameters such as Gamma compensation and brightness calibration, which help achieve color consistency and brightness uniformity to ensure high-quality display effects. With the development of AI mobile phones, the operation of edge-side large models places higher demands on firmware loading and model invocation. NOR Flash has become a key component supporting the rapid response of AI functions due to its high-speed reading, power-off data retention, and high reliability. In the future, its capacity, interface bandwidth, and reading speed will continue to be upgraded to meet the high-performance storage requirements of local AI inference, further enhancing its application value in high-end smart terminals.

Fingerprint chips are primarily used for user authentication and payment verification on smartphones, requiring high-precision fingerprint feature capture and encrypted storage. As AI-driven biometric algorithms continue to advance, these chips demand enhanced real-time image processing, anti-spoofing capabilities, and low-power operation. In the future, higher integration and secure isolation designs will be adopted to support on-device AI authentication requirements. Touch controller chips, on the other hand, convert touch inputs into digital signals to enable multi-touch, gesture recognition, and virtual button functions with low latency. As intelligent interaction evolves, these chips must offer higher sampling rates, improved noise suppression, and optimized power consumption. Moving forward, they will evolve toward higher resolution, wider voltage range, and stronger algorithm acceleration to support innovative interaction experiences in high-end smart devices.

PC: As a key category in consumer electronics, global PC shipments have maintained steady growth. In 2024, worldwide PC shipments reached 258.9 million units and are projected to increase to 311.5 million units by 2029. Driven by the wave of AI intelligence, PC are rapidly evolving into AI PC, integrating AI capabilities to enable on-device large model operation and multi-agent collaboration, transforming into full-scenario AI assistants. While global AI PC shipments stood at just 47.9 million units in 2024, they are expected to grow to 215.3 million units by 2029, becoming the mainstream product category in the PC sector.

In the PC motherboard sector, NOR Flash with a capacity of 256Mb or higher is now widely used as the storage carrier for BIOS, and there is a continuous trend of increasing capacity. In AI PC products, 512Mb NOR Flash is indispensable to support more complex system initialization, multimodal perception, and local AI functions. In the future, NOR Flash will benefit from the value growth brought by the demand for larger capacities, and the need to deploy AI models locally on PC will also give rise to potential demand for customized memory.

Wearable Devices: In the wave of smart wearable device development, glasses remain one of the few sensory-assistive applications that have not been widely intelligentized, yet they hold enormous potential for intelligence. AI glasses are smart wearable devices capable of realizing real-time translation, AR navigation, and information reminders through voice/gesture interaction. AI glasses are poised to become a carrier for redefining human-computer interaction. As a breakthrough in the electronification of visual senses, their hardware architecture is centered on a main SoC, with a standard 128-256Mb NOR Flash to ensure rapid system responsiveness. Screen-equipped models require additional small-capacity NOR Flash for display functions, while low-cost products adopt eMCP integrated solutions to reduce costs and accelerate the popularization of consumer-grade products.

Meanwhile, as another key category of wearable devices, AI earbuds are smart earphones capable of achieving real-time translation, noise cancellation optimization, and health monitoring through voice interaction. Global TWS earbuds shipment reached 437.5 million units in 2024 and are projected to grow to 548.0 million units by 2029, with a CAGR of 4.2%. TWS earbuds have clearly demonstrated a trend toward transitioning to AI earbuds, driving a capacity upgrade of NOR Flash from 64 to 256. In the future, multiple categories of smart wearable devices will collectively build a closed-loop ecosystem of "perception-interaction."

# Application of Memory Chips, MCU, Analog Chip, and Touch Controller Chip in AI Glasses (Schematic)

#### Analog Chip Core applications: Power Management, Display Driving, Nor Flash Lithium Battery Protection Core applications: Fast Startup, Firmware Storage. Key trend: The triple high-precision demands of display, sensing. Dynamic Focus Adjustment and power supply drive the rapid improvement of analog chip integration Key trend: Real-time AR rendering has increased the demand for Touch Controller Chip gh-performance storage, driving medium-to-large capacity NOR Flash to become a new growth point in the memory market Core applications: Gesture Recognition, Temple Interaction MCU Key trend: Multi-modal interaction methods have driven the nprovement of touch chip sensitivity perform · Core applications: Sensor management, Tactile Feedback Drive SLC NAND Flash . Key trend: The increasing complexity of AI glasses applications has driven the continuous improvement in the number and performance of MCU cores · Core applications: System Caching, Fast Startup, Data Temporary Storage . Key trend: The localization of AI models has driven the expansion of SLC NAND capacity requirements.

In addition, in wearable devices, MCU are also equally important hardware cornerstones. Taking AI glasses as an example, they are responsible for multi-sensor fusion, real-time reasoning, and power consumption scheduling for cameras, micro-displays, and wireless links. As wearable devices upgrade toward long battery life, spatial interaction, and local AI experiences, their reliance on high-energy-efficiency and high-integration MCU has significantly increased.

# • Automotive: Acceleration of "Electrification, Intelligence and Connectivity" process

Automobiles, as another important application scenario for semiconductor chips, have a large demand for them. In 2024, the global automobile shipments reached 89.3 million units. The sales growth rate of EV is significantly higher than that of traditional fuel-powered vehicles, with their penetration rate expected to increase from 20.6% in 2024 to 39.7% in 2029. Smart vehicles are also experiencing rapid sales growth, with their penetration rate projected to rise from 57.7% in 2024 to 92.4% in 2029. The demand for EV will further increase in the future, which will consequently lead to higher performance requirements for automotive chips and computing power upgrades, thereby driving the smart penetration rate of vehicle.

■ Vehicle Shipment → NEV Penetration Rate → Smart Penetration Rate Million Units 96.0 100 93.6 94.8 100% 92.3 90.9 89 3 87.0 90% 81.4 80.4 76.7 00 59 80 80% 63 59 70% 57.7 54.89 60 60% 19 49 13 49 50% 40% 40 27.6 24 30 30% 16 99 20 20% 10% 0 0% 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025E 2026E 2027E

Shipment, EV&Smart Penetration Rate of Vehicle, Global, 2020-2029E

Source: Frost & Sullivan, CPCA

Automotive is the most extensive and core application scenario for MCU. As the functional complexity of EV and smart vehicles continues to increase, MCU have expanded from widespread use in basic systems such as infotainment, smart cockpits, and body control to critical functional modules requiring high safety and real-time performance, such as power control, chassis domains, and ADAS. This evolution imposes higher requirements on MCU computing power, interface capabilities, and functional safety levels (upgrading from ASIL-B to ASIL-D). With the advancement of autonomous driving levels towards L3/L4, the application demand for MCU in automobiles will further increase. Concurrently, the value of MCU per vehicle is expected to rise from approximately RMB1,500 in 2024 to around RMB2,500 in EV in 2029.

NOR Flash is primarily used to store core code and critical data for vehicle-mounted systems. The electrification, intelligence and connectivity of automotive industry have driven an increase in the value of NOR Flash per vehicle. Traditional automotive digital instrument clusters, infotainment systems, and other functional modules already require NOR Flash, while autonomous driving vehicles further amplify this demand. Autonomous driving vehicles are equipped with multiple sensors such as cameras, millimeter-wave radars, and lidars, each of which requires one NOR Flash. Additionally, ADAS computing power chips require high-capacity, high-speed NOR Flash modules.

For niche DRAM products, high-generation automotive-grade niche DRAMs with large capacities (LPDDR4/4X, DDR4) are clearly replacing small-capacity DDR3 products in autonomous driving applications like ADAS, driving up the value of automotive-grade DRAMs. Furthermore, the evolving demands of smart driving, which requires more diverse vehicle functions, have spurred growing demands for customized memory solutions, prompting the development of automotive-grade DRAM toward differentiated design and optimization.

# Other diversified downstream demand growth

**Smart home:** Smart home primarily includes smart security, home entertainment, environmental control, etc. In the smart home sector, niche DRAM is mainly used to support real-time data processing and command execution in devices such as smart TVs and set-top boxes. MCU plays a dual role in smart homes, serving as both power control and intelligent interaction hubs. The market penetration rate of smart home products is rapidly increasing, and they are accelerating their iterative upgrade toward "active perception, autonomous decision, making, invisible service," with continuous optimization of product performance.

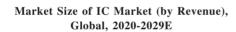
Industrial Applications: As one of China's key strategic directions, the upgrading and transformation of industrial manufacturing is driving the industry toward digitalization, networking, and intelligence. These technological evolutions place higher demands on the real-time responsiveness, data throughput, and autonomous decision-making capabilities of industrial equipment. For example, scenarios such as human-machine interaction, servo control, and robotics in industrial automation, and large-scale industrial energy storage BMS in the digital energy sector, all involve extensive applications of high-performance and high-reliability semiconductor products like MCU to achieve dual objectives of high-precision control and intelligent interaction.

**Embodied Intelligence:** As a key carrier for the extension of artificial intelligence from the cloud to the physical world, the core feature of embodied intelligence lies in the integration of hardware-software collaborative real-time perception, cognitive reasoning, and precise execution capabilities. Such systems pose system-level challenges in terms of heterogeneous computing architectures, low-power high-computing-power chips, high-bandwidth memory, real-time operating systems, and multi-sensor integration, driving the accelerated release of demand for critical components such as high-performance MCU, AI SoC, sensors, and memory chips.

#### Market Size of Global IC Market

IC, as the most critical segment of the semiconductor industry, have experienced remarkable growth between 2020 and 2024, driven by the rapid development of key sectors such as artificial intelligence and automotive. The global semiconductor industry experienced a cyclical downturn during 2022-2023, leading to a marginal contraction in IC market size in 2023. However, by 2024, the IC market began demonstrating uneven recovery patterns across various application segments. The global IC market expanded from USD356.2 billion in 2020 to USD515.3 billion in 2024, with a CAGR of 9.7%. Looking ahead, the market is expected to continue its expansion, reaching USD900.3 billion by 2029.

With the vigorous development and strong demand in domestic downstream markets, the importance of the Chinese market in the global landscape is set to further increase. China's IC market size grew from USD125.2 billion in 2020 to USD206.6 billion in 2024, with a CAGR of 13.3%. This growth trend is projected to persist, with the market size expected to expand to USD392.0 billion by 2029, and its global share is set to rise from 40.1% in 2024 to approximately 43.5%. During this process, the Chinese market is benefiting from multiple industrial opportunities, including the trend of artificial intelligence, 'electrification, intelligence and connectivity' of automotive industry, and the rise of embodied intelligence, continuously consolidating its position as the world's largest single market of semiconductor industry.



Market Size of IC Market (by Revenue), China, 2020-2029E



Source: Frost & Sullivan, IMF

# ANALYSIS OF GLOBAL SPECIALTY MEMORY CHIP MARKET

Specialty memory chips typically serve specific application requirements or hold competitive advantages in particular market segments. Currently, the most widely used categories include NOR Flash, SLC NAND Flash, and niche DRAM.

#### **Definition and Classification of Major Specialty Memory Chips**

Semiconductor memories are classified as either volatile or non-volatile depending on whether they retain data after power is removed. Niche DRAM is a form of volatile memory, while NOR Flash and SLC NAND Flash are non-volatile and preserve data when unpowered.

- Niche DRAM: Current products include LPDDR2/3, DDR2/3 and DDR4/LPDDR4
  devices with capacities below 8Gb, with a roadmap toward higher-capacity. These
  memories primarily serve consumer electronics and networking equipment, smarthome devices, automotive electronics and industrial-control applications, and they
  typically enjoy longer product lifecycles than commodity DRAM.
- NOR Flash: Compared with NAND Flash, NOR Flash delivers faster read performance and smaller storage capacity, though its write speed is relatively slower. Thanks to its rapid random-access capabilities and low read-error rate, NOR Flash is most often used to memory boot code and firmware. It is widely deployed in automotive systems, wearables, industrial control units and other end-points requiring fast startup and high reliability.
- SLC NAND Flash: NAND Flash generally offers higher storage capacities and faster write speeds than NOR Flash, making it well suited for bulk data memory and thus broadly adopted. SLC NAND Flash provides significantly superior erase/write endurance and data integrity compared with MLC/TLC NAND Flash, making it the preferred choice for industrial-edge memory, automotive dash-cams, consumer electronics and other applications that demand both large capacity and high reliability.

# Market Size of Global Specialty Memory Chip Market

In 2024, the global specialty memory market totaled USD13.6 billion, with niche DRAM contributing USD8.5 billion, NOR Flash USD2.8 billion and SLC NAND Flash USD2.3 billion. Looking ahead to the next five years, sustained demand for low-power, high-reliability and customized memory solutions in edge-AI and automotive-electronics applications is expected to drive continued expansion of the specialty memory market. At a projected CAGR of 7.1%, the market is forecast to reach USD20.8 billion by 2029. By segment, niche DRAM is projected to reach USD13.2 billion, NOR Flash to USD4.2 billion and SLC NAND Flash to USD3.4 billion by 2029.

The overall memory-chip industry is cyclical, historically running in roughly four-year cycles over the past two decades. In 2023, sustained capacity expansions by memory suppliers coupled with a global economic slowdown drove the market sharply downward into a trough. In 2024, however, an improved supply demand dynamics and accelerating AI-related demand triggered a strong rebound and the start of a new growth phase that is expected to remain in

an up-cycle for the next couple of years. Over the long term, the industry is likely to follow a rising trend with cyclical fluctuations. The specialty memory market is gradually decoupling from the commodity memory cycle, with leading domestic manufacturers steadily increasing their market share.

Market Size of Specialty Memory Chip Market, Global, 2020-2029E



Source: IMF, Frost & Sullivan

#### Analysis of Key Drivers of Specialty Memory Chip Market

- Proliferation of AI-Enabled Devices Drives Demand for Higher-Capacity Specialty Memory Chips: As consumer electronics including smartphones, PC, wearables, and smart home products continue to evolve toward AI integration, their requirements for data processing and memory capabilities have increased significantly. These devices demand higher-capacity, faster, and more reliable chips to support intelligent functions such as multimodal interaction and large model operations, driving dedicated memory chips toward greater capacity. In addition, AI is giving rise to a wide range of emerging application scenarios such as AI glasses and embodied intelligence which are experiencing rapid growth and are expected to become new engines of demand for memory chips in the future.
- Automotive 'Electrification, Intelligence and Connectivity' Drive Demand for Automotive-Grade Memory: The 'electrification, intelligence and connectivity' in the automotive industry are raising the bar for data memory in terms of reliability, temperature and vibration resistance, and real-time read/write performance. For instance, in intelligent driving scenarios, the massive sensor data generated by cameras and LiDAR requires high-speed local caching and stable data writing, fueling a surge in demand for high-performance NOR Flash. At the same time, infotainment systems, multimedia stream processing, and OTA firmware upgrades enabled by smart cockpits are driving up

both the performance requirements and market demand for niche DRAM. As the global EV market continues to expand, automotive-grade memory chips are emerging as a key growth driver following the consumer electronics segment.

• The AI Era Presents Opportunities for Companies with Diverse Memory Chips: In the AI era, both cloud and edge devices generate massive demand for memory chips, creating significant growth opportunities across the memory industry. Within this broad market, companies adopt varying strategic focuses. Leading international players prioritize high-generation, high-volume memory solutions for cloud infrastructure as their core development path. In contrast, memory chip companies like the Company's capitalize on emerging technologies and products in the specialty memory segment to address the surging demand from AI-enabled edge devices. This shift is giving rise to new product forms and technological innovations within the specialty memory domain, unlocking fresh profit potential for industry players.

#### OVERVIEW OF GLOBAL MCU MARKET

#### **Definition and Classification of MCU**

MCU are highly integrated chips widely used across various sectors such as industrial automation, automotive electronics, and household appliances. As the backbone of billions of end devices, MCU serve as a fundamental infrastructure of the digital economy. Typically, an MCU integrates key functional modules including a CPU, memory, data converters, and I/O interfaces.

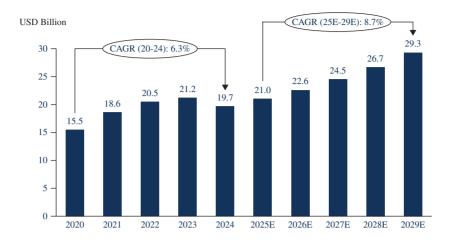
Based on bus width, MCU can be classified into three categories: 8-bit, 16-bit, and 32-bit. Among them, 32-bit MCU have become the mainstream in the market, accounting for over 60% of the total, due to their powerful computing capabilities and ability to efficiently handle complex data. As demand for high-performance applications continues to rise, the market share of 32-bit MCU is expected to further expand.

#### Market Size of Global MCU Market

From a market size perspective, the global MCU market reached USD19.7 billion in 2024, with a CAGR of 6.3% from 2020 to 2024. Looking ahead, as AI continues to penetrate various sectors, the increasing functional complexity and intelligence of end-use applications, such as automotive electronics, industrial control systems, and consumer electronics, are driving up the demand of MCU. For instance, the value of MCU per vehicle in EV can exceed that of ICEV by more than 60%.

At the same time, rising demands for real-time processing, low power consumption, and functional safety are accelerating the adoption of 32-bit MCU. Driven by these factors, the global MCU market is projected to reach USD29.3 billion by 2029, with a CAGR of 8.7%.

#### Market Size of MCU Market (by Revenue), Global, 2020-2029E



Source: IMF, Frost & Sullivan

# **Key Drivers of Global MCU Market**

- Accelerated AI Adoption: With the rapid penetration of artificial intelligence technologies, MCU are becoming essential hardware for enabling local inference, sensor fusion, and low-latency control. Consumer electronics such as smart speakers, AR/VR headsets, as well as fast-growing downstream sectors like robotics, are driving diversified demand for MCU. Manufacturers are actively upgrading architectures and integrating heterogeneous co-processors to rapidly expand MCU, especially 32-bit MCU, product lines to meet these evolving and diversified market needs.
- Electrification, Intelligence and Connectivity of Automotive Industry: The trend of electrification, intelligence, and connectivity is pushing automotive electronic and electrical architectures toward centralization, placing higher demands on control chips. Automotive-grade MCU have been widely adopted in critical modules such as ADAS, BMS, electric drive control, and body control, where they perform key functions in real-time control and functional safety. As the penetration of EV and smart vehicles continues to rise, the MCU value per vehicle is increasing significantly.
- Growth Opportunities in Industrial and Other Sectors Such as White Goods: With the accelerated adoption of industrial automation, digital energy infrastructure, and smart home appliances, MCU have become fundamental units for enabling flexible control and efficient management. The transition to digital energy systems requires MCU to deliver exceptional performance in power scheduling and fault protection. Meanwhile, smart refrigerators, air conditioners, and other white goods are undergoing connectivity and energy efficiency upgrades, all of which rely on the reliable control and communication capabilities offered by MCU. As a result, the coordinated growth of these sectors is expected to continuously expand the addressable market for mid- to high-end MCU.

#### OVERVIEW OF GLOBAL ANALOG CHIP MARKET

#### **Definition and Classification of Analog Chips**

Analog chips are responsible for power conversion and signal acquisition/conditioning, and are mainly divided into Power Management IC and signal chain IC. PMIC handle energy conversion, voltage regulation, and current management, while signal chain IC cover sensing, interfacing, conversion, timing, and amplification—together forming the vital link between digital systems and the physical world.

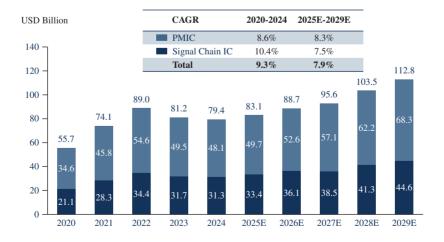
PMIC can be further classified into: (1) AC-DC converters: convert AC to low-voltage DC and provide circuit protection. (2) DC-DC converters: convert external DC voltage into a stable operating voltage required by digital chips. (3) Linear regulators: precisely regulate external DC voltage through linear control methods. (4) Battery management IC: manage battery charging, discharging, and safety monitoring.

#### Market Size of Global Analog IC Market

Amid the accelerated global buildout of AI data centers, the rising penetration of electrification and intelligence in EV and the ongoing intelligent transformation of industrial control and consumer electronics, the global analog IC market is entering a new cycle of growth. The market size is projected to increase from USD83.1 billion in 2025 to USD112.8 billion by 2029, with a CAGR of 7.9%.

From a market segmentation perspective, PMIC play a critical role in key application scenarios such as AI server power systems, EV electric drive platforms, and fast-charging solutions for portable devices. From 2025 to 2029, the market size is expected to grow at a CAGR of 8.3%.

Market Size of Analog IC Market (by Revenue), Breakdown by Product Types, Global, 2020-2029E



Source: IMF, Frost & Sullivan

#### OVERVIEW OF GLOBAL SENSOR CHIP MARKET

A sensor chip is a component that collects various signals from the physical world and outputs them to a backend system for further processing.

A capacitive touch sensing chip is an IC that identifies touch and other behaviors by detecting changes in capacitance values. Its core function is to convert the electric field changes caused by human contact into processable electrical signals. Capacitive touch sensing chips are mainly used in smart phones, smart wearable devices, TWS earbuds, laptops, and other fields. Other emerging downstream applications include smart homes and automotive touchscreens. The total global market size of touch sensing chips expanded from USD2.6 billion dollars in 2020 to USD2.9 billion dollars in 2024. Looking ahead, the market is expected to continue to expand, reaching USD3.7 billion dollars by 2029.

A fingerprint chip is a core component for biometric identification based on semiconductor sensing technology. Its main functions include live body detection, rapid identity authentication, and secure data encryption. According to downstream applications, it mainly covers smart phones, smart door locks, and financial payment terminals. The global market size of fingerprint chips reached USD5.8 billion dollars in 2024. Driven by trends such as the increasing penetration rate of full screen mobile phones, the security needs of smart homes, and the upgrading of financial grade biometric authentication standards, the shipment volume is expected to exceed USD8.9 billion dollars by 2029.

# ANALYSIS OF THE COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE OF THE COMPANY'S INDUSTRIES

#### **NOR Flash**

In 2024, the global NOR Flash market remained relatively stable and highly concentrated, with the top three companies accounting for approximately 63.2% of total market value. The Company generated revenues of about USD512.2 million in 2024 equivalent to roughly 18.5% market share securing the No. 2 position worldwide and underscoring the industry leadership. It is also the top-ranked mainland Chinese company.

Ranking of NOR Flash Market (Revenue), Global, 2024

Ranking	Company Name	Location	NOR Flash Revenue (USD Million)	Market Share (%)
1	Company A	Taiwan, China	756.6	27.4%
2	The Company	Beijing, China	512.2	18.5%
3	Company B	Taiwan, China	477.7	17.3%
	Top 3		1,746.5	63.2%

Source: Frost & Sullivan

#### **SLC NAND Flash**

In 2024, the global SLC NAND Flash market was highly concentrated among overseas and Taiwan-based suppliers, with the top three companies together accounting for 69.4% of the total market value. With SLC NAND Flash revenues of approximately USD50.0 million, the Company ranked sixth worldwide. It is also the highest ranked mainland Chinese company.

Ranking of SLC NAND Flash Market (Revenue), Global, 2024

Ranking	Company Name	Location	SLC NAND Flash Revenue (USD Million)	Market Share (%)
1	Company C	Tokyo, Japan	813.1	35.2%
2	Company D	Boise, United States	539.2	23.3%
3	Company A	Taiwan, China	251.8	10.9%
4	Company E	Hong Kong, China	201.0	8.7%
5	Company B	Taiwan, China	129.8	5.6%
6	The Company	Beijing, China	50.0	2.2%
	Тор б		1,984.9	85.9%

Source: Frost & Sullivan

#### Niche DRAM

In 2024, the global niche DRAM market was highly concentrated among leading overseas suppliers, with the top three companies collectively capturing approximately 69.1% of the total market value. The Company achieved revenues of around USD146.4 million that year equivalent to roughly 1.7% market share securing the No. 7 position worldwide and standing out as the second-ranked mainland Chinese company.

Ranking of Niche DRAM Market (Revenue), Global, 2024

Ranking	Company Name	Location	Niche DRAM Revenue (USD Million)	Market Share (%)
1	Company F	Suwon, South Korea	2,622.4	30.8%
2	Company D	Boise, United States	1,805.0	21.2%
3	Company G	Seoul, South Korea	1,455.9	17.1%
4	Company H	Taiwan, China	737.3	8.7%
5	Company A	Taiwan, China	605.4	7.1%
6	Company I	Beijing, China	229.9	2.7%
7	The Company	Beijing, China	146.4	1.7%
	<b>Top 7</b>		7,602.4	89.3%

Source: Frost & Sullivan

#### **MCU**

In 2024, the competitive landscape of the global MCU market is characterized by relative stability and high concentration, with the top five companies together accounting for approximately 81.2% of the total market size. Among them, the Company's revenue in 2024 will be approximately USD230.6 million, with a market share of approximately 1.2%, ranking eighth among global companies and the highest-ranking mainland Chinese company.

Ranking of MCU Market (Revenue), Global, 2024

Ranking	Company Name	Location	MCU Revenue (USD Million)	Market Share (%)
1	Company J	Neubiberg, Germany	3,991.8	20.2%
2	Company K	Tokyo, Japan	3,467.1	17.5%
3	Company L	Geneva, Switzerland	3,337.7	16.9%
4	Company M	Eindhoven, Netherlands	3,102.4	15.7%
5	Company N	Chandler, United States	2,150.3	10.9%
6	Company O	Dallas, United States	1,461.8	7.4%
7	Company P	Taiwan, China	289.0	1.5%
8	The Company	Beijing, China	230.6	1.2%
	Тор 8		18,030.8	91.2%

Source: Frost & Sullivan

#### Notes:

- 1. Company A is a listed company, founded in 1987 and headquartered in Taiwan, China, is a service provider dedicated to offering comprehensive IC products and solutions to global customers.
- Company B is a listed company, founded in 1989 and headquartered in Taiwan, China, is a leading global non-volatile memory integrated device manufacturer, providing ROM, NOR Flash, and NAND Flash solutions across a wide range of specifications and capacities.
- Company C is a listed company, founded in 2017 and headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is one of the global leaders in memory solutions, dedicated to the development, production and sales of flash memory and SSDs.
- Company D is a listed company, founded in 1978 and headquartered in Boise, USA, is a global leader in innovative memory solutions, delivering optimal memory and storage systems for a broad range of applications.
- 5. Company E is an unlisted company, founded in 2019 and headquartered in Hong Kong, China, is a technology leader that designs, develops, and markets high performance non-volatile Flash memory products for the following key markets: automotive, communications, digital consumer, industrial and medical.
- 6. Company F is a listed company, founded in 1969 and headquartered in Suwon, South Korea, covers consumer electronics and IT & mobile communications businesses, manufacturing electronic components such as semiconductors, display parts, memory, image sensors, and camera modules.
- Company G is a listed company, founded in 1983 and headquartered in Seoul, South Korea, is a global leading semiconductor supplier of DRAM, NAND Flash, and CMOS Image Sensors to a wide range of distinguished customers worldwide.
- 8. Company H is a listed company, founded in 1995 and headquartered in Taiwan, China, has long been committed to the R&D, design, manufacturing and sales of DRAM, with technological innovation as the cornerstone of its growth.
- 9. Company I is a listed company, founded in 2005 and headquartered in Beijing, China, is primarily engaged in the R&D and sales of IC products.
- Company J is a listed company, founded in 1999 and headquartered in Neubiberg, Germany. It dominates
  power semiconductors and automotive electronics for industrial IoT, renewable energy, and secure connectivity
  solutions.
- 11. Company K is a listed company, founded in 2003 and headquartered in Tokyo, Japan. It focuses on MCU, embedded processors, and analog chips for industrial automation and automotive control systems.
- Company L is a listed company, founded in 1987 and headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland. It specializes in MEMS sensors, automotive MCU, and power management ICs for ADAS, industrial robotics, and edge computing, etc.
- 13. Company M is a listed company, founded in 2006 and headquartered in Eindhoven, Netherlands. It is primarily engaged in the design, manufacture, and sale of ICs and discrete devices. Its products are mainly used in the automotive, industrial and IoT mobile devices, and communication infrastructure sectors.
- 14. Company N is a listed company, founded in 1989 and headquartered in Chandler, USA. It delivers MCU, analog ICs, and FPGA solutions for automotive, aerospace, and industrial control applications.
- 15. Company O is a listed company, founded in 1930 and headquartered in Dallas, USA. It specializes in analog and embedded processing chips for automotive, industrial automation, and consumer electronics.
- 16. Company P is a listed company, founded in 2008 and headquartered in Taiwan, China. It offers industrial-grade MCU, battery management IC, and audio processors for smart home, power tools, and IoT edge devices.

#### Others

In 2024, China's fingerprint chip industry exhibits a relatively concentrated competitive landscape. The Company generated USD50.4 million in revenue in the fingerprint chip sector, ranking second in the market.

# **Entry Barriers of Global Semiconductor Industry**

#### • R&D Innovation & Product-Development Capability Barries

Chip design industry is a typical technology-intensive industry. Chip enterprises need to have forward-looking industry judgment, define product specifications in advance, and grasp the direction of technological evolution. The chip design process involves multidisciplinary collaboration and requires coordination of complex links such as circuit design, architecture design, system integration, software and hardware collaboration, and verification testing, which places extremely high requirements on the capabilities of the R&D team. Chip development has a long cycle and high verification costs, requiring continuous iteration and deep technological accumulation. Especially in brand consumer electronics and high-reliability fields such as automotive and industrial control, the product development error tolerance rate is extremely low, which raises the entry barrier. For example, SLC NAND Flash is widely used in network devices, smart security systems, industrial control, and automotive applications, where high standards are placed on write stability and power-down data protection. To meet these requirements, the chip must incorporate multi-level voltage write control and error correction algorithms during the circuit design stage. The development process involves repeated verification of endurance and data retention under extreme voltage and temperature conditions, significantly increasing the complexity of product definition, design, and validation.

#### • Customer & Brand Barriers

Chips are the cornerstone of electronic devices, and their reliability and stability directly determine the performance and competitiveness of end products. Major downstream customers in the industry typically maintain long-term and stable cooperation with existing chip suppliers, with both sides having strict requirements and a high degree of tacit understanding regarding product quality, delivery, and service processes. For example, niche DRAM used in industrial applications must undergo long-term compatibility and stability testing by customers, making it difficult for new entrants to break existing suppliers' entrenched positions in the early stages. Existing chip suppliers have established a good brand image in long-term market competition, and new companies face significant challenges in winning customer trust, building channels, and obtaining orders.

#### • Ouality-Control Capability Barriers

In the chip design process, quality is reflected not only in functional correctness but also in product consistency, reliability, and stable performance across multiple scenarios. Mature enterprises ensure that products meet high-standard quality requirements before mass production by building a full-process quality verification system, from front-end architecture design and post-simulation verification to collaborative optimization in the packaging and testing stages. For example, automotive-grade NOR Flash is commonly used in critical systems such as instrument clusters and ADAS. These chips must pass AEC-Q100 certification and demonstrate long-term operational stability under extreme conditions such as high temperature, humidity, and vibration. As a result, they are subject to stringent requirements for product consistency, reliability, and comprehensive quality validation throughout the manufacturing process. At the same time, leading enterprises have established testing specifications and reliability evaluation mechanisms covering multiple product lines based on long-term technological accumulation, ensuring that chips can maintain high-performance stability and long-term operation reliability in multiple application scenarios. Without a large amount of verification data, patent support, and customer-side collaboration mechanisms, new entrants find it difficult to establish an equivalent quality assurance system in the short term.

# • Supply-Chain Barriers

Chip design enterprises need to have the ability to coordinate and manage key processes such as wafer foundry and packaging/testing to ensure smooth mass production and stable delivery of products. Leading enterprises have formed deep cooperation mechanisms with multiple upstream and downstream entities through long-term accumulation, possessing higher collaboration efficiency and resource allocation capabilities to effectively guarantee product quality and delivery schedule stability. By establishing a full-process supply chain management system covering design, verification, tape-out, testing, and delivery, leading manufacturers can quickly respond to customer needs, enhance supply chain resilience, and ensure business continuity. For example, NOR Flash is commonly used in scenarios with high requirements for boot speed and data accuracy, and downstream customers generally focus on stable delivery and verification compatibility, so chip design enterprises need to maintain long-term cooperation with manufacturers that have mature production lines and reliable delivery capabilities. Due to limited business scale and insufficient customer stickiness, new entrants often struggle to establish supply chain response systems and delivery capabilities at the same level in the early stages.

#### • Talent Barriers

The semiconductor industry heavily relies on multidisciplinary talents with extensive experience, particularly in critical areas such as front-end chip design, quality verification, and reliability testing. These roles have high technical barriers and long cultivation cycles. Currently, the global supply of senior chip design and quality engineering professionals is tight, a large proportion of key technical experts are concentrated within leading companies. New entrants face significant challenges in attracting senior engineers with complete project

experience and quickly building comprehensive technical teams spanning design, verification, and delivery, which severely limits product development efficiency and project execution capability. For example, key modules in SLC NAND Flash design such as power-loss data protection, voltage regulation, and lifespan management are often developed and optimized by veteran engineers with over a decade of experience. This talent concentration among industry leaders further raises the entry barriers for newcomers.

We commissioned Frost & Sullivan to conduct market research on the semiconductor industry and prepare the Frost & Sullivan Report. Frost & Sullivan is an independent global consulting firm founded in 1961 in New York that offers industry research and market strategies. We have contracted to pay RMB450,000 to Frost & Sullivan for compiling the Frost & Sullivan Report, In preparing the Frost & Sullivan Report, Frost & Sullivan conducted detailed primary research which involved discussing the status of the industry with certain leading industry participants and conducting interviews with relevant parties. Frost & Sullivan also conducted secondary research which involved reviewing company reports, independent research reports and data based on its own research database. Frost & Sullivan obtained the figures for the estimated total market size from historical data analysis plotted against macroeconomic data as well as considered the above-mentioned industry key drivers. Its market engineering forecasting methodology integrates several forecasting techniques with the market engineering measurement-based system and relies on the expertise of the analyst team in integrating the critical market elements investigated during the research phase of the project. These elements primarily include expert-opinion forecasting methodology, integration of market drivers and restraints, integration with the market challenges, integration of the market engineering measurement trends and integration of econometric variables.

The Frost & Sullivan Report is compiled based on the following assumptions: (i) the social, economic and political environment of the globe and the PRC is likely to remain stable in the forecast period; and (ii) related industry key drivers are likely to drive the market in the forecast period.

#### REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT IN THE PRC

#### Overview

We are a company established in the PRC that engages in the research and development, technical support and sales of memory, microcontrollers and sensors. Our business activities in the PRC are supervised and managed by the MIIT and other departments and industry self-regulatory organisations, while related businesses are regulated by the current laws, regulations, rules and other regulatory documents of the PRC. The following sets forth a summary of the major laws and regulations applicable to our business, including industry access, business supervision, corporate governance and risk control, as well as other necessary general regulations, including foreign exchange, taxation, and foreign investment access, rather than a detailed description of all the laws and regulations which we are required to comply with.

# **Major Regulators**

Our implementation of business activities within the industry are mainly supervised and managed by the MIIT. The MIIT is responsible for the national industrialisation and informatisation, formulating and organising the implementation of industrial planning, industrial policies and standards, monitoring the daily operation of the industries, and promoting the development and independent innovation of major technology.

#### Regulations on the IC Industry

In June 2014, the State Council promulgated the Outline for Promoting the Development of the National Integrated Circuit Industry (《國家集成電路產業發展推進綱要》), which stated that the development goal of the integrated circuit industry is to reach an advanced international standard in the major links of the integrated circuit industry chain by 2030, with a number of enterprises entering the international first tier and achieving leapfrog development. One of the main tasks and development priorities are to focus on the development of integrated circuit design industry when strengthening collaborative innovation in integrated circuit design, software development, system integration, content and services based on the industrial chain in key areas so as to drive the manufacturing industry developing with the rapid growth of the design industry.

In January 2017, the National Development and Reform Commission ("NDRC") issued the Guiding Catalogue of Key Products and Services in Strategic Emerging Industries (2016 Edition) (《戰略性新興產業重點產品和服務指導目錄(2016年版)》), which clarifies eight industries in five major areas, which are further subdivided into 174 sub-directions under 40 key directions and nearly 4,000 subdivided products and services. Among them, integrated circuit chip products primarily include CPU, MCU, memory, digital signal processor, embedded CPU, communication chip, digital TV chip, multimedia chip, information security and video surveillance chip, smart card chip, automotive electronic chip, industrial control chip, smart grid chip, MEMS sensor chip, power control circuit and semiconductor power electronic devices, and optoelectronic hybrid integrated circuit.

In November 2017, the State Council promulgated the Guiding Opinions of the State Council on Deepening "Internet + Advanced Manufacturing" and Developing Industrial Internet (《國務院關於深化"互聯網+先進製造業"發展工業互聯網的指導意見》). The Guiding Opinions encourage domestic and foreign enterprises to cooperate in tackling technical problems for weak links such as big data analysis, industrial data modelling, key software systems, and chips; it is recommended to implement relevant preferential tax policies, promote preferential enterprise income tax for software and integrated circuit industries, and encourage relevant enterprises to accelerate the development and application of industrial Internet.

In July 2020, the State Council announced Several Policies to Promote the High-quality Development of the IC Industry and the Software Sectors in the New Era (《新時期促進集成電路產業和軟件產業高質量發展的若干政策》), in order to further optimize the development environment of the integrated circuit industry and software sectors, deepen international cooperation in the industry, and enhance the industrial innovation capability and development quality, launch a series of supporting fiscal and taxation, investment and financing, research and development, import and export, talents, intellectual property rights, market application and international cooperation policies.

The NPC promulgated the Outline of the 14th Five-Year Plan for National Economic and Social Development and the Long-Range Objectives through the Year 2035 of the PRC (《中 華人民共和國國民經濟和社會發展第十四個五年規劃和2035年遠景目標綱要》) on 11 March 2021, proposing to foster advanced manufacturing clusters and promote Industrial innovation and development of industries including integrated circuits. In December 2021, the State Council promulgated the Circular of "14th Five-Year Plan" for the Development of Digital Economy (《"十四五"數字經濟發展規劃的通知》), which clarified that during the "14th Five-Year Plan" period, the promotion of digital industrialization should be accelerated to make up for key technical shortcomings. Optimizing and innovating organizational methods such as "selecting the best candidates via open competition mechanism", focusing on breakthroughs in key core technologies in the fields of high-end chips, operating systems, industrial software, core algorithms and frameworks, and strengthening the integrated research and development of general-purpose processors, cloud computing systems, and key software technologies. In addition, the competitiveness of key links in the industrial chain should be improved, and the supply chain systems of key industries such as 5G, integrated circuits, new energy vehicles, artificial intelligence, and industrial Internet should be improved.

In December 2023, the NDRC promulgated the "Industrial Structure Adjustment Guidance Catalogue (2024 Edition)" (《產業結構調整指導目錄(2024年本)》), which stated integrated circuits was categorized as information industry, the 28th in the first category of Encouragement Catalogue. The national standard industry of main business of the Company is integrated circuit design (I6520), which was categorized as the first category and the Encouraged Project of the Catalogue.

In March 2025, the NPC reviewed and approved the Report on the Implementation of the Central and Local Budgets for 2024 and Draft Central and Local Budgets for 2025 (《關於 2024年中央和地方預算執行情況與2025年中央和地方預算草案的報告》), which resolved to support the construction of a modern industrial system, accelerate industrial transformation and upgrading, vigorously promote new industrialization, strengthen support for scientific and technological innovation in the manufacturing sector, and promote the integrated development of scientific and technological innovation and industrial innovation. The central finance special funds will be RMB11.878 billion for the manufacturing sector, increasing by 14.5%, to promote high-quality development of key areas of the manufacturing industry and enhance the resilience and security of the industry chain supply chain.

# Regulations Related to Foreign Investment in the PRC

# Regulations on Corporation

On 29 December 1993, the SCNPC issued the PRC Company Law, which was recently amended by the SCNPC on 29 December 2023, and came into force on 1 July 2024. All companies established in the PRC are subject to the PRC Company Law. The PRC Company Law regulates the establishment, operation, corporate structure, and management of corporate entities in China and classifies companies into limited liability companies and limited companies by shares. Such regulations also apply to foreign-invested enterprises established in the PRC.

#### Foreign Investment Regulation

In March 2019, the NPC promulgated the Foreign Investment Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國外商投資法》), which came into effect on 1 January 2020. Pursuant to the Foreign Investment Law of the People's Republic of China, "foreign investment" refers to investment activities directly or indirectly conducted by one or more natural persons, business entities, or otherwise organizations of a foreign country within China, or foreign investors, and the investment activities include the following situations: (1) a foreign investor, individually or collectively with other investors, establishes the foreign-invested enterprise in China; (2) a foreign investor acquires stock shares, equity shares, shares in assets, or other similar rights and interests of an enterprise within China; (3) a foreign investor, individually or collectively with other investors, invests in a new project in China; and (4) investments in other means as provided by laws, administrative regulations, or the State Council.

In addition, the Foreign Investment Law of the People's Republic of China also provides several protective rules and principles for foreign investors and their investments in China, including, among others, that local governments must abide by their commitments to the foreign investors; foreign-invested enterprises are allowed to issue stocks and corporate bonds; expropriation or requisition of the investment of foreign investors is prohibited except for special circumstances, in which case statutory procedures must be followed and fair and reasonable compensation must be made in a timely manner; mandatory technology transfer is prohibited; and the capital contributions, profits, capital gains, proceeds out of asset disposal,

licensing fees of intellectual property rights, indemnity or compensation legally obtained, or proceeds received upon settlement by foreign investors in China may be freely remitted inward and outward in Renminbi or foreign currencies. Also, foreign investors or FIEs should be imposed legal liabilities for failing to report investment information in accordance with the requirements.

#### Foreign Investment Access

According to the Foreign Investment Law of the People's Republic of China, the State Council will publish or approve to publish a catalogue for special administrative measures, or the "negative list." The Foreign Investment Law of the People's Republic of China grants national treatment to foreign invested entities, except for those foreign invested entities that operate in industries deemed to be either "restricted" or "prohibited" in the "negative list." The Foreign Investment Law of the People's Republic of China provides that foreign invested enterprises operating in foreign restricted or prohibited industries will require market entry clearance and other approvals from relevant PRC governmental authorities. On 26 December 2019, the State Council has promulgated the Regulations on Implementing the Foreign Investment Law of the People's Republic of China(《中華人民共和國外商投資法實施條例》), which came into effect on 1 January 2020, further stipulates that the State shall formulate the Catalogue of Encouraged Foreign Investment Industries in accordance with national economic and social development needs, setting out specific industries, fields and regions to encourage and guide investments by foreign investors.

Foreign investment activities in the PRC are mainly governed by the Special Administrative Measures (Negative List) for the Access of Foreign Investment (《外商投資准入特別管理措施(負面清單)》) and the Catalogue of Industries for Encouraging Foreign Investment (《鼓勵外商投資產業目錄》), which were promulgated and amended from time to time jointly by the Ministry of Commerce of the PRC ("MOFCOM") and the NDRC. The Negative List and the Encouraging Catalogue divide industries into three categories in terms of foreign investment, namely, "encouraged", "restricted" and "prohibited".

The currently effective Negative List is the Special Administrative Measures (Negative List) for the Access of Foreign Investment (2024 Version) (《外商投資准入特別管理措施(負面清單)(2024年版)》), issued on 6 September 2024 by the MOFCOM and NDRC and implemented since 1 November 2024. Domestic enterprises engaging in businesses in the areas of investment prohibited by the Negative List for the Access of Foreign Investment that issue shares abroad and list them for trading shall be subject to the examination and consent of the relevant competent state authorities. Foreign investors shall not participate in the operation and management of the enterprise, and the proportion of their shareholding shall be implemented with reference to the relevant provisions on the management of domestic securities investment by foreign investors. In addition, the MOFCOM and the NDRC jointly promulgated the Encouraged Industry Catalogue for Foreign Investment (2022 version) (《鼓勵外商投資產業目錄(2022年版)》) on 26 October 2022, which came into effect from 1 January 2023. According to the above lists and catalogues, investment in integrated circuit design does not fall into the restricted or prohibited category of industries for foreign investment.

#### Security Review of Foreign Investment

According to the Measures on the Security Review of Foreign Investment (《外商投資安全審查辦法》) jointly promulgated by the NDRC and the MOFCOM in December 2020, effective from 18 January 2021, foreign investment that affects or may affect national security shall be subject to security review in accordance with the provisions of such Measures. For foreign investment within the following scope, foreign investors or relevant domestic parties (hereinafter as parties) shall take the initiative to make a declaration on their investments for security review to the Office of the Working Mechanism prior to (i) making investments in the military industry, military industrial support and other fields relating to the security of national defence, and investments in areas surrounding military facilities and military industry facilities; and (ii) obtaining actual control over enterprises involved in important agricultural products, important energy and resources, important equipment manufacturing, important infrastructure, important transport services, important cultural products and services, important information technologies and internet products and services, important financial services, key technologies and other important fields relating to national security.

#### Regulations on Internet Information Security and Privacy Protection

#### Network Security

In November 2016, the NPCSC promulgated the Cyber Security Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國網絡安全法》) ("the Cyber Security Law"), which took effect since 1 June 2017. The Cyber Security Law requires that network operators, including network service providers, shall take technical measures and other necessary measures in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and the compulsory requirements of the national and industrial standards to safeguard the safe and stable operation of its networks. We are subject to such requirements as we are operating websites and mobile applications and providing certain internet services mainly through our mobile applications. The Cyber Security Law further requires network service providers to formulate contingency plans for network security incidents, report to the competent departments upon the occurrence of any incident endangering cyber security and take corresponding remedial measures according to requirements. Network operators are also required to maintain the integrity, confidentiality and availability of network data. The Cyber Security Law reaffirms the basic principles and requirements specified in other existing laws and regulations on personal data protection, such as the requirements on the collection, use, processing, storage and disclosure of personal data, and network operators being required to take technical and other necessary measures to ensure the security of the personal information they have collected and prevent the personal information from being divulged, damaged or lost. Any violation of the Cyber Security Law may subject the network services providers to warnings, fines, confiscation of illegal gains, revocation of licenses, cancellation of filings, shutdown of websites or criminal liabilities.

Pursuant to the Cybersecurity Review Measures (《網絡安全審查辦法》) jointly issued by authorities including the CAC on 28 December 2021, which took effect from 15 February 2022, critical information infrastructure operators that procure internet products and services,

and network platform operators engaging in data processing activities, must be subject to the cybersecurity review if their activities affect or may affect national security. The measures further elaborate that conducting the cybersecurity review shall focus on the assessment of a number of national security risk factors of the relevant object or situation, including: the potential risks of core data, important data, or a large amount of personal information being stolen, leaked, destroyed, illegally used or exported overseas; and the risks of critical information infrastructure, core data, important data, or the risk of a large amount of personal information being influenced, controlled or maliciously used by foreign governments after going public, and cyber information security risk.

# Data Security

Pursuant to the provisions of the Data Security Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國數據安全法》), which was promulgated on 10 June 2021 and took effect on 1 September 2021, a data classification and layered protection system has been implemented based on the importance of data in the development of economy and society and the degree of impact on national security, public interests or legitimate rights and interests of individuals or organizations when such data is tampered with, destroyed, leaked or illegally acquired or used. The Data Security Law also provides a national security review system for those data processing activities that affect or may affect national security.

The Administration Regulations on Network Data Security (《網絡數據安全管理條例》) ("Network Data Regulations"), which was promulgated on 24 September 2024 and took effect from 1 January 2025, mainly focus on personal information protection, ensuring the security of important data, establishing an efficient, convenient and secure cross-border data flow system, and regulating network platform service providers. Regarding personal information protection, the Network Data Regulations refine the provisions of the Personal Information Protection Law (《個人信息保護法》) on notification, consent, and individual exercise of rights. To ensure the security of important data, the Network Data Regulations clarify the requirements for the formulation of important data catalogues and the obligations of network data processors to identify and report important data, stipulate the obligations of network data security managers and management agencies, and provide for risk assessment scenarios and assessment contents of important data. Targeting to establish an efficient, convenient and safe cross-border data flow system, the Network Data Regulations further optimise the cross-border data flow system based on the experience of formulating and implementing departmental regulations including the Measures for the Security Assessment of Outbound Data Transfer (《數據出境安全評估辦法》), the Measures for the Standard Contract for the Outbound Transfer of Personal Information (《個人信息出境標準合同辦法》), and the Regulations on Promoting and Regulating Cross-border Data Flows (《促進和規範數據跨境流動規定》).

# Regulations on Land and Real Estate

# Land Assignment

Under the Interim Regulations on Assignment and Transfer of the Rights to the Use of the State-Owned Urban Land of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國城鎮國有土地使用權出讓和轉讓暫行條例》), promulgated by the State Council on 19 May 1990 and amended on November 29, 2020, a system of assignment and transfer of the right to use state-owned land was adopted. A land user must pay land premium to the state as consideration for the assignment of the right to use a land site within a certain term, and the land user who obtained the right to use the land may transfer, lease out, mortgage or otherwise exploit the land for economic activities within the term of use. Under these Regulations and the Urban Real Estate Administration Law of the People's Republic of China(《中華人民共和國城市房地產管理法》), the local land administration authority may enter into an assignment contract with the land user for the assignment of land use rights. The land user is required to pay the land premium as provided in the assignment contract. After the full payment of the land premium, the land user must register with the land administration authority and obtain a land use rights certificate which evidences the acquisition of land use rights.

# Leasing Properties

According to the Civil Code of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國民法典》), an owner of immovable or movable property is entitled to possession, use, earnings, and disposal of such property in accordance with the law. Subject to the consent of the lessor, the lessee may sublease the leased premises to a third party. Where a lessee subleases the premises, the lease contract between the lessee and the lessor remains valid. The lessor is entitled to terminate the lease if the lessee subleases the premises without the consent of the lessor. In addition, if the ownership of the leased premises changes during the lessee's possession in accordance with the terms of the lease contract, the validity of the lease contract shall not be affected. Moreover, pursuant to the Civil Code of the People's Republic of China, if the mortgaged property has been leased and transferred for occupation prior to the establishment of the mortgage right, the original tenancy shall not be affected by such mortgage right.

Pursuant to the Administrative Measures on Leasing of Commodity Housing (《商品房屋租賃管理辦法》) promulgated by the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development on 1 December 2010 and became effective on 1 February 2011, the lessor and the lessee are required to complete property leasing registration and filing formalities within 30 days from execution of the property lease contract with the development (real estate) authorities of the People's Government of the special municipality, municipality or county where the leased property is located. If a company fails to complete such procedures, a fine ranging from RMB1,000 to RMB10,000 may be imposed on each lease agreement.

# **Regulations on Intellectual Property**

#### Patent

According to the Patent Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國專利 法》), taking effect on 1 June 2021 and the Implementation Regulation for the Patent Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國專利法實施細則》), taking effect on 20 January 2024, the patent administrative department under the State Council is responsible for administering patents in the PRC, while the patent administration departments of the governments at the provincial level, autonomous regions and municipalities directly under the Central Government are responsible for the patent administration within their respective administrative regions. The PRC patent system adopts a "first to file" principle, which means that where more than two persons file a patent application for the same invention, a patent will be granted to the person who filed the application first. A patent is valid for twenty years in the case of an invention, ten years in the case of utility models and fifteen years in the case of designs, starting from the application date. Following the grant of patent rights for an invention or a utility model, unless otherwise stipulated in the Patent Law, no organization or individual shall implement the patent without licensing from the patentee, i.e. shall not manufacture, use, offer to sell, sell or import such patented products for manufacturing and business purposes, or use the patented method and use, offer to sell, sell or import products obtained directly according to the patented method. Following the grant of design patent rights, no organization or individual shall implement the patent without licensing from the patentee, i.e. shall not manufacture, offer to sell, sell or import the design patented products for manufacturing and business purposes.

#### Copyright

Pursuant to the Copyright Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國著 作權法》) (the "Copyright Law") promulgated by the State Council on 7 September 1990 and amended in 2001, 2010 and 2020 and Regulations for Implementation of Copyright Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國著作權法實施條例》) published on 30 May 1991 and amended in 2002, 2011 and 2013, Chinese citizens, legal persons or unincorporated organizations shall, whether published or not, enjoy copyright in their works, which include works of literature, art, natural science, social science, engineering technology and computer software. The copyrights include personal rights such as the right of publication and that of attribution as well as property rights such as the right of reproduction and that of distribution. The scope of copyright protection was extended to internet activities, products disseminated over the internet and software products. Unless otherwise provided in the Copyright Law, reproducing, distributing, performing, projecting, broadcasting or compiling a work or communicating the same to the public via an information network without permission from the owner of the copyright therein shall constitute infringements of copyrights. The infringer shall undertake to cease the infringement, eliminate impact, and offer an apology, pay damages and other civil liabilities. In addition, pursuant to the provisions of the Copyright Law, authors and other copyright owners may complete the registration of their works with a registration agency recognised by the State copyright authority.

Pursuant to the Regulations on Protection of Computer Software (《計算機軟件保護條例》) promulgated by the State Council on 4 June 1991 and most recently amended on 30 January 2013 and implemented on 1 March 2013, computer software to be protected under such Regulations must be independently developed by developers and has been fixed on certain tangible objects. Chinese residents, legal entities or other organizations shall be entitled to the copyright of the software they developed, whether published or not, in accordance with such Regulations. Software copyright commences from the date on which the development of the software is completed. The protection period for software copyright of a legal person shall be 50 years, concluding on 31 December of the 50th year after the software's initial release. But if the software has not been released within 50 years from the date on which the software development is completed, it shall no longer receive the protection of these Regulations. A software copyright owner may register with the software registration institution recognized by the copyright administration department of the State Council.

Pursuant to the Measures for the Registration of Computer Software Copyright (《計算機軟件著作權登記辦法》) released and implemented by the National Copyright Administration on 20 February 2002 (partially amended in 2004), the applicant for the registration of software copyright shall be the copyright owner of the said software and the natural person, legal person or other organisation that inherits, acquires or receives the software copyright. The National Copyright Administration shall be the competent governmental authority for the nationwide administration of software copyright registration and designates the China Copyright Protection Centre as the software registration authority.

#### Trademark Rights

According to the Trademark Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國商標法》), which was promulgated by the SCNPC on 23 August 1982, last amended on 23 April 2019 with effect from 1 November 2019, as well as the Implementation Regulation of the People's Republic of China Trademark Law (《中華人民共和國商標法實施條例》) adopted by the State Council on 3 August 2002, and was revised on 29 April 2014 with effect from 1 May 2014, registered trademarks in the PRC include commodity trademarks, service trademarks, collective trademarks, and certification marks.

The PRC Trademark Office of China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) is responsible for the registration and administration of trademarks throughout the PRC and grants a term of 10 years to registered trademarks. Trademarks are renewable every 10 years when a registered trademark needs to be used after the expiration of its validity term. A trademark registrant may license its registered trademark to another party by entering into a trademark licensing agreement. Trademark licensing agreements must be filed with the Trademark Office. The licensor shall supervise the quality of the commodities on which the trademark is used, and the licensee shall guarantee the quality of such commodities. The trademark registration in the PRC follows a first-come principle. Where a trademark for which a registration application has been made is identical or similar to another trademark which has already been registered or been subject to a preliminary examination and approval for use on the same kind of or similar commodities or services, the application for registration of such

trademark may be rejected. Applying for the registration of a trademark may not prejudice the existing right first obtained by others, nor may any person register in advance a trademark that has already been used by another party and has already gained a sufficient degree of reputation through such party's use. Using a trademark that is identical with or similar to a registered trademark in connection with the same or similar goods without the authorization of the owner of the registered trademark constitutes an infringement of the exclusive right to use a registered trademark. The infringer shall, in accordance with the regulations, undertake to cease the infringement, take remedial action, and pay damages.

#### Domain Names

Pursuant to the Measures on Administration of Internet Domain Names (《互聯網域名管理辦法》) promulgated by the MIIT on 24 August 2017 and came into effect on 1 November 2017, the MIIT shall be responsible for managing internet domain name in the PRC. The first-come principle is implemented for domain name registration services where the corresponding detailed rules for domain name registration stipulate otherwise, such provisions shall prevail. Domain name registrations are handled through domain name service agencies established under the relevant regulations, and the applicants become domain name holders upon successful registration.

# Design of Integrated Circuit Layouts

Pursuant to the Regulations on the Protection of Integrated Circuit Layout Designs (《集成電路布圖設計保護條例》(the "Regulations on the Protection") promulgated by the State Council on 2 April 2001 and came into effect on 1 October 2001, and the Detailed Implementing Rules of the Regulations on the Protection of Layout Designs of Integrated Circuits (《集成電路布圖設計保護條例實施細則》) promulgated by the CNIPA on 18 September 2001 and came into effect on 1 October 2001, the owner of an integrated circuit layout design has exclusive rights to the design. The exclusive rights to the layout design arise upon registration with the intellectual property administration department of the State Council, and layout designs that have not been registered are not protected by laws. The protection period for the exclusive rights of integrated circuit layout designs is 10 years, calculated from the date of the design registration application or the first date of commercial use anywhere in the world, whichever is earlier. However, a layout-design is no longer protected under exclusive rights 15 years after its creation, regardless of registration or commercial use.

# Regulations on Foreign Exchange Supervision

Pursuant to the principal regulations governing foreign currency exchange in PRC are the Administrative Regulations for Foreign Exchange of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國外匯管理條例》), which was promulgated by the State Council on 29 January 1996 and last amended and became effective on 5 August 2008, the foreign exchange management matters in the PRC may be divided into current items (including trade-related receipts and payments, and interest and dividend payments) and capital items (including direct equity investment, loans and divestment). Current or capital account funds can only be remitted in or out through the relevant procedures of the foreign exchange (including settlement or purchase) after obtaining the necessary permissions and reasonable review.

On 11 May 2013, the SAFE promulgated the Provisions on Foreign Exchange Control on Direct Investments in China by Foreign Investors (《外國投資者境內直接投資外匯管理規定》) which came into effect on 13 May 2013, and was revised on 10 October 2018 and partially invalid on 30 December 2019. According to such provisions, the administration by SAFE or its local branches over direct investment by foreign investors in the PRC shall be conducted by way of registration and banks shall process foreign exchange business relating to the direct investment in the PRC based on the registration information provided by SAFE and its branches.

On 26 December 2014, the SAFE issued and implemented the Notice on Issues Concerning the Foreign Exchange Administration of Overseas Listing (《關於境外上市外匯管理有關問題的通知》). According to the Notice, a domestic company shall, within 15 business days from the date of completion of its overseas listing issuance, register the overseas listing with the foreign exchange control bureau located at its registered address; after a domestic company gets listed overseas, if any of its domestic shareholders intends to increase or decrease overseas shares, the domestic shareholder shall handle overseas shareholding registration formalities with the local foreign exchange authority within twenty working days prior to the intended share increase or decrease.

On 23 October 2019, the SAFE promulgated and implemented the Notice for Further Advancing the Facilitation of Cross-border Trade and Investment (《關於進一步促進跨境貿易投資便利化的通知》), among which, Paragraph 2 of Article 8 took effect on 1 January 2020 and was partially revised on 4 December 2023. Pursuant to the Notice, foreign-invested enterprises engaged in non-investment business are permitted to use capital funds for domestic equity investment in accordance with the laws on the condition that the current Special Administrative Measures for Access of Foreign Investment (Negative List) are not violated and the relevant domestic investment projects are genuine and in compliance with laws; restrictions on the use of funds for foreign exchange settlement of domestic accounts for the realization of assets have been removed and restrictions on the use and foreign exchange settlement of foreign investors' security deposits have been relaxed; eligible enterprises in the pilot area are also allowed to use revenues under capital accounts, such as capital funds, foreign debts and

overseas listing revenues for domestic payments without providing materials to the bank in advance for authenticity verification on an item by item basis, while the use of funds should be true, in compliance with applicable rules and conforming to the current capital revenue management regulations.

On 10 April 2020, the SAFE issued and implemented the Notice on Optimizing Administration of Foreign Exchange to Support the Development of Foreign-related Business (《關於優化外匯管理支持涉外業務發展的通知》), which stipulates that eligible enterprises are allowed to make domestic payments by using their capital, foreign credits and the income under capital accounts of overseas listing, with no need to provide the evidentiary materials concerning authenticity of such capital for banks in advance, provided that their capital use shall be authentic and in line with provisions, and conform to the prevailing administrative regulations on the use of income under capital accounts.

On 4 December 2023, the SAFE issued and implemented the Notice on Further Deepening Reforms to Promote the Facilitation of Trade and Investment (《關於進一步深化改革促進跨境貿易投資便利化的通知》), which provides that the equity transfer consideration funds in foreign currency received by a domestic equity transferor (including institutions and individuals) from domestic parties, as well as the foreign exchange funds raised by domestic enterprises through overseas listing, may be directly remitted to the settlement account of capital accounts. Funds in the settlement account of capital accounts may be settled and used at discretion.

On 3 April 2024, the SAFE promulgated the Capital Account Foreign Exchange Operational Guidelines (2024 version) (《資本項目外匯業務指引(2024年版)》), which came into effect on 6 May 2024, stipulates that the funds raised by the domestic companies through overseas listing shall be repatriated to the PRC in principle and may be in RMB or foreign currency.

#### **Regulations on Foreign Direct Investment**

Pursuant to the Provisions on the Foreign Exchange Administration of the Overseas Direct Investment of Domestic Institutions (《境內機構境外直接投資外匯管理規定》) promulgated by the SAFE on 13 July 2009 and effective on 1 August 2009, domestic entities may apply for foreign exchange registration for foreign direct investment upon its approval. In addition, the SAFE issued and implemented the Notice on Further Simplify and Enhance Foreign Exchange Policy on Direct Investment (《關於進一步簡化和改進直接投資外匯管理政策的通知》) on 13 February 2015 and 1 June 2015, to cancel the administrative approval for foreign exchange registration for foreign direct investment and grant banks the rights to directly review and handle foreign exchange registration for foreign direct investment.

Pursuant to the Measures for the Administration of Overseas Investment (《境外投資管理辦法》) which was issued by the MOFCOM on 6 September 2014 and came into effect on 6 October 2014, the MOFCOM and the commerce departments at provincial levels shall subject the overseas investment of enterprises to verification and approval or filing management,

depending on the actual circumstances of investment. Overseas investment involving any sensitive country or region, or any sensitive industry shall be subject to verification and approval management. Overseas investment under other circumstances shall be subject to filing management.

Pursuant to the Administrative Measures for Outbound Investment by Enterprises(《企業境外投資管理辦法》) promulgated by the NDRC on 26 December 2017 and came into effect on 1 March 2018, the investing activities of enterprises in mainland China such as acquiring overseas ownerships, controlling rights, operating and management rights and other relevant interests by way of investing assets and interests or providing financing and guarantees to control its overseas enterprises, either directly or indirectly, are required to obtain approval or filing with the NDRC in accordance with the relevant conditions of the overseas investment projects. Outbound investment projects that involve sensitive countries and regions or sensitive industries shall be subject to administration of verification and approval by the NDRC, and non-sensitive outbound investment projects shall be subject to administration by record-filing. For non-sensitive projects of US\$300 million or above invested by local enterprise in mainland China or carried out by overseas enterprises controlled by them, the investors shall file with the NDRC and non-sensitive outbound investment projects, of which the investment amount of investors in mainland China is less than US\$300 million (exclusive) shall file with the provincial counterpart of the NDRC.

# Regulations on Import and Export

According to the Foreign Trade Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國對外貿易法》) promulgated on 12 May 1994 and latest amended and effective on 30 December 2022 by the SCNPC, foreign trade operators engaged in the import and export of goods or technology do not need to register with the foreign trade authority under the State Council or its authorized agencies, which shall grant a license to the consignee or consignor who applies for automatic licensing prior to completing customs clearance formalities for imports and exports subject to automatic licensing; for technologies that are free for import and export, the contract must be registered with the foreign trade department of the State Council or its authorized agency.

According to the Customs Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國海關法》) promulgated on 22 January 1987 and last amended by the SCNPC and came into effect on 29 April 2021, the Customs of the People's Republic of China is a governmental organization responsible for supervision and control over all arrivals in and departures from the Customs territory, who exercise its jurisdiction in all its aspects, including supervising the transportation vehicles, goods, luggage, postal articles and other articles entering and leaving the country, collecting customs duties and other taxes and fees, preventing and combating smuggling, compiling customs statistics and handling other customs operations.

In addition, according to the Regulations of the People's Republic of China Customs on Administration of Recordation of Declaration Entities (《中華人民共和國海關報關單位備案管理規定》) promulgated by the General Administration of Customs on 19 November 2021 and effective from 1 January 2022, "customs declaration entities" refer to the consignees and consignors of import and export goods and customs declaration enterprises which make a filing with the customs. If the enterprises apply for filing, they shall obtain the qualification of market entities. The recordation of the customs declaration entities is valid for a long period of time. The filing of the customs declaration enterprise is valid for long term.

#### **Regulations on Taxation**

# Enterprise Income Tax

The NPC promulgated the EIT Law on 16 March 2007 and revised it on 24 February 2017 and 29 December 2018. The Implementation Regulations of Enterprise Income Tax Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國企業所得税法實施條例》) was promulgated by the State Council on 6 December 2007, took effect on 1 January 2008, and was revised twice on 23 April 2019 and 6 December 2024. According to the EIT Law and its implementation regulations, "resident enterprises" are enterprises which are set up in China in accordance with law, or which are set up in accordance with the law of a foreign country (region) but which are actually under the administration of institutions in China; "non-resident enterprises" are enterprises which are set up in accordance with the law of a foreign country (region) and whose actual administrative institution is not in China, but which have institutions or establishments in China, or which have no such institutions or establishments but have income generated from inside China. The rate of enterprise income tax shall be 25%, however, a non-resident enterprise is generally subject to a 20% corporate income tax on PRC-sourced income, if it does not have an establishment or premise in the PRC or has an establishment or premise in the PRC but its PRC-sourced income has no real connection with such establishment or premise; the high-tech enterprises that need key support from the PRC government will enjoy a tax rate reduction to 15% for EIT. Corporate income tax for qualified small profit enterprises shall be at a reduced tax rate of 20%.

#### Value-added tax

According to the Provisional Regulations on Value-added Tax of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國增值税暫行條例》), which was promulgated by the State Council on 13 December 1993, came into effect on 1 January 1994, and latest amended on 19 November 2017, and the Detailed Implementing Rules of the Provisional Regulations on Value-added Tax of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國增值税暫行條例實施細則》), which was promulgated by the MOF and the STA on 25 December 1993 and came into effect on the same date, and was latest amended on 28 October 2011 and came into effect on 1 November 2011, entities and individuals selling goods or providing processing, repairing or replacement services, selling services, intangible assets and immovable assets and importing goods in the PRC are taxpayers of value-added tax (VAT) and shall pay a VAT.

The VAT rates in the PRC have undergone multiple reforms: (1) pursuant to the Provisional Regulations on Value-added Tax of the People's Republic of China, unless otherwise stipulated, the VAT rate is 17% for taxpayers selling goods, labour services, or tangible movable property leasing services or importing goods; 11% for taxpayers selling transportation, postal, basic telecommunications, construction, or immovable leasing services, selling immovables, transferring land use rights, or selling or importing specific goods; unless otherwise stipulated, 6% for taxpayers selling services or intangible assets. After that, (2) according to the Notice on Adjusting Value-added Tax Rates (《關於調整增值税税率的通 知》), which was promulgated by the MOF and the SAT on 4 April 2018, the tax rates of 17% and 11% applicable to any taxpayer's VAT taxable sale or import of goods shall be adjusted to 16% and 10%, respectively, which became effective on 1 May 2018. Subsequently, (3) pursuant to the Announcement on Relevant Policies for Deepening Value-Added Tax Reform (《關於深 化增值税改革有關政策的公告》) promulgated by the MOF, the SAT and the General Administration of Customs on 20 March 2019, the value-added tax rates of 16% and 10% applicable to any taxpayer's VAT taxable sale or import of goods shall be adjusted to 13% and 9%, respectively, which became effective on 1 April 2019.

On 25 December 2024, the SCNPC promulgated the Value-Added Tax Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國增值税法》), which will come into effect on 1 January 2026, when the Provisional Regulations on Value-added Tax of the People's Republic of China will be abolished simultaneously.

#### Tax Preference Policies for Integrated Circuit industry

Pursuant to the Guidelines on Tax Preference Policies for Software and Integrated Circuit Enterprises (2022) (《軟件企業和集成電路企業税費優惠政策指引(2022)》) issued and implemented by the State Taxation Administration in May 2022, the integrated circuit industry enjoys a variety of tax preferences. Enterprises for integrated circuit design, equipment, materials, packaging and testing encouraged by the State, including but not limited to, regular exemption or reduction of the enterprise income tax; key integrated circuit design enterprises encouraged by the State can enjoy the regular exemption or reduction of enterprise income tax; staff training expenses of integrated circuit design enterprises can be deducted before tax according to the actual amount incurred.

In addition, the Notice on Supporting Import Tax Policy for the Development of Integrated Circuit Industry and Software Industry (《關於支持集成電路產業和軟件產業發展進口税收政策的通知》) issued by the MOF, the General Administration of Customs and the STA on 16 March 2021, stipulates that import behaviours that conform to the circumstances listed in this regulation are exempt from import duties. The implementation period is from 27 July 2020 to 31 December 2030. According to the provisions of the Notice on the Additional Value-Added Tax Deduction Policy for Integrated Circuit Enterprises (《關於集成電路企業增值税加計抵減政策的通知》) issued and implemented by the STA and the General Administration of Customs on 20 April 2023, from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2027, integrated circuit design, production, packaging and testing, equipment, and material enterprises enjoy an additional deduction, 15%, of the input VAT that can be credited in the

current period from the output VAT payable. A list management system will be adopted for enterprises eligible for the additional deduction policy. The specific applicable conditions, management methods and enterprise lists will be formulated by the MIIT in conjunction with other departments.

# Regulations on Dividend Distribution

# Dividend Distribution System

The principal laws and regulations regulating the distribution of dividends by FIEs in the PRC include the PRC Company Law, the Foreign Investment Law of the People's Republic of China(《中華人民共和國外商投資法》) and its Implementation Rules for the Foreign Investment Law of the People's Republic of China(《中華人民共和國外商投資法實施條例》). Under the current regulatory regime in China, FIEs in China could only pay dividends only out of their retained earnings, determined in accordance with PRC accounting standards and regulations. Where a company in the PRC (including a foreign-invested enterprise) distributes its after-tax profits for the current year, it shall allocate 10% of the profits as the company statutory common reserve. The company may make no more allocation should the accumulated balance of the Company's statutory common reserve account for more than 50% of the company registered capital. If the statutory revenue reserve is not sufficient to cover the losses made in the previous year, the profits of the current year shall be used to cover such losses before making allocation to the aforesaid statutory revenue reserve. After making allocation to the statutory revenue reserve, the company may make allocation of profit after tax to the discretionary revenue reserve subject to the resolution at general meetings.

Pursuant to the Foreign Investment Law of the People's Republic of China, the capital contributions, profits, capital gains, proceeds out of asset disposal, licensing fees of intellectual property rights, indemnity or compensation legally obtained, or proceeds received upon settlement by foreign investors within China, may be freely remitted inward and outward in RMB or a foreign currency.

# Dividend Withholding Tax

Pursuant to the Reply of the Imposition of Enterprise Income Tax on B-share and Other Dividends of Non-resident Enterprises (《關於非居民企業取得B股等股票股息徵收企業所得税問題的批覆》) that was promulgated and implemented by the STA on 24 July 2009, resident enterprises in the PRC with shares of public issuance and listing (A shares, B shares and overseas shares) in the PRC and abroad shall withhold and pay corporate income tax at a uniform rate of 10% when distributing dividends to non-resident enterprise shareholders in 2008 and later years. Non-resident enterprise shareholders wishing to enjoy tax treaty treatment shall proceed in accordance with the relevant provisions of the tax treaty.

The Notice on the Taxation Policies Related to the Pilot Programme of the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect (《關於滬港股票市場交易互聯互通機制試點有關稅收政策的通 知》) promulgated by the MOF, the STA and CSRC on 31 October 2014 and came into effect on 17 November 2014 stipulates: (1) for the dividend gained by Mainland individual investors who invest in the H Shares listed on the Hong Kong Exchange through the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect, the company of the H Shares should apply to China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited (CSDC), which will provide the H-share company with a list of mainland individual investors. The company of the H Shares shall withhold on behalf of these shareholders individual income tax at the rate of 20% in the distribution of dividend. Individual investors may, by producing valid tax payment proofs, apply to the competent tax authority of CSDC for tax credit relating to the withholding tax already paid abroad. For dividends obtained by mainland securities investment funds that invest in the shares listed on the Hong Kong Exchange through the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect, the company will withhold individual income tax in the distribution of dividend pursuant to the foregoing provisions. (2) The dividends obtained by mainland enterprise investors that invest in the shares listed on the Hong Kong through the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect shall be included in their total income and subject to corporate income tax in accordance with the law. Among them, the dividends obtained by mainland resident enterprises that have held H shares for 12 consecutive months are exempt from corporate income tax in accordance with the law.

According to the Treaty on the Avoidance of Double Taxation and Tax Evasion between Mainland China and Hong Kong (《內地和香港特別行政區關於對所得避免雙重徵税和防止偷漏税的安排》), in respect of the dividends paid by a PRC resident enterprise to a Hong Kong resident, the withholding tax shall not exceed 5% of the total dividends if the payee beneficially owns 25% or more interest in the payor; otherwise, such withholding tax shall not exceed 10% of the total dividends.

#### Regulations on Labour and Employment

#### Labour Law and Labour Contract

According to the Labor Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國勞動法》) issued by the SCNPC on 5 July 1994, most recently amended on 29 December 2018 and became effective on the same day, every employer must ensure workplace safety and sanitation in accordance with national laws and regulations, provide relevant training to labours, prevent accidents in the process of labour, and lessen occupational hazards.

Pursuant to the Labor Contract Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國勞動合同法》) issued by the SCNPC on 29 June 2007, amended on 28 December 2012 and became effective on 1 July 2013, a written contract of employment shall be entered into to establish labour relationship; if the labour remuneration is lower than the local minimum wage standard, the difference should be paid.

# Social Insurance and Housing Provident Fund

In accordance with the Social Insurance Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華 人民共和國社會保險法》) issued by the SCNPC on 28 October 2010, last amended on 29 December 2018 and became effective on the same day, as well as other relevant provisions, an employee shall participate in five types of social insurance funds, including pension, medical, unemployment, maternity and occupational injury insurance. The premiums for maternity insurance and occupational injury insurance are paid by the employer, while the premiums for pension insurance, medical insurance and unemployment insurance are paid by both the employer and the employee. If the employer fails to fully contribute to social insurance funds on time, the collection agency for such social insurance may demand the employer to make full payment or to pay the shortfall within a set period and collect a late charge. If the employer fails to pay after the due date, the relevant government administrative body may impose a fine on the employer. An employer shall, within thirty days from the date of incorporation of the entity, proceed with the business license, registration certificate or entity seal to the local social insurance agency to apply for social insurance registration. An employer shall, within thirty days after taking on labour, proceed to the social insurance agency to apply for social insurance registrations on behalf of the employees.

According to the Housing Provident Fund Regulations (《住房公積金管理條例》) which was promulgated by the State Council on 3 April 1999, latest revised on 24 March 2019 and became effective on the same day, enterprises must register with the competent managing centre for housing funds and contribute on behalf of their employees to housing funds. For employers who fail to contribute on time as required may be ordered to make up within a stipulated time limit, and the application to the court for mandatory enforcement may be conducted against those who still fail to comply after the expiry of such period.

#### Regulations on Anti-Monopoly and Anti-Unfair Competition

#### Anti-Monopoly

Pursuant to the Anti-Monopoly Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國反壟斷法》) (the "Anti-Monopoly Law") promulgated by the SCNPC on August 30, 2007, which came into effect on 1 August 2008 and last amended on 24 June 2022, the prohibited monopolistic acts include monopolistic agreements, abuse of a dominant market position and concentration of businesses that may have the effect to eliminate or restrict competition.

According to the provisions of the Anti-Monopoly Law, "monopolistic agreements" refer to the agreements, decisions or other concerted practices to eliminate or restrict competition. Competing business operators, or operators and their transaction counterparties, are prohibited to enter into monopoly agreements specified by the Anti-Monopoly Law between each other, such as by fixing or changing the price of commodities, limiting the number of output or selling of commodities, dividing the sales markets or the raw material procurement markets, and fixing

the price of goods for resale to third parties, unless the agreement will satisfy the exemptions under the Anti-Monopoly Law. Operators shall not organize other operators to reach a monopoly agreement or provide substantial assistance to other operators in reaching a monopoly agreement.

According to the provisions of the Anti-Monopoly Law, "abuse of dominant market position" refers to a business operator with a dominant market position to abuse its dominant market position to conduct acts, including seven prohibited categories of acts listed in the Anti-Monopoly Law, among others: (1) selling commodities at unfairly high prices or buying commodities at unfairly low prices; (2) selling products at prices below cost without any justifiable cause; (3) refusing to trade with a trading party without any justifiable cause. Among them, "dominant market position" shall mean that an undertaking is able to control the prices, quantities or any other terms of transaction in the relevant market or is able to obstruct and affect the entry of other undertakings into the relevant market. The SAMR issued the Provisions on the Prohibitions of Acts of Abuse of Dominant Market Positions (《禁止濫用市 場支配地位行為規定》) on 10 March 2023 which became effective on 15 April 2023, to further prevent and eradicate the abuse of dominant market position.

According to the provisions of the Anti-monopoly Law, "concentration of undertakings" refers to (1) merger of undertakings; (2) acquisition of control over other undertakings by an undertaking through acquisition of equity or assets; (3) acquisition of control over other undertakings by an undertaking through contract or any other means or ability to exert decisive impact on other undertakings. Where a concentration of undertakings reaches the filing threshold by the State Council, undertakings shall declare in advance to the anti-monopoly law enforcement agencies of the State Council and may not implement concentration without making the declaration. Where a concentration of undertakings fails to reach the filing threshold by the State Council, there is evidence that the concentration of undertakings has or may have the effect of excluding or limiting competition, the State Council anti-monopoly law enforcement authority may order the operators to file the concentration of undertakings. However, where one of the following is the case relevant to an operator consolidation, declaration to the State Council anti-monopoly law enforcement authorities is not required: (1) one of the parties to a consolidation holds fifty percent or more assets or shares that grant voting rights in each of the other Operators; or (2) in each of the parties to a consolidation, fifty percent or more assets or shares that grant voting rights in said operators are held by the same business operator which is not party to the consolidation.

#### Anti-Unfair Competition

Pursuant to the provisions of the Anti-Unfair Competition Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國反不正當競爭法》) (the "Anti-Unfair Competition Law") promulgated by the SCNPC on 2 September 1993, latest amended on 23 April 2019 and came into effect on the same day, "unfair competition" refers to that the operator disrupts the market competition order and damages the legitimate rights and interests of other operators or consumers in violation of the provisions of the Anti-Unfair Competition Law in the production and operating activities. Among them, the "operator" refers to "natural persons, legal persons

and unincorporated organizations engaged in the production and operation of goods or provision of services (hereinafter as goods including services)". Pursuant to the provisions of the Anti-Unfair Competition Law, operators: (1) shall not conduct misleading behaviours; (2) shall not bribe the entities or individuals with property or by other means; (3) shall neither not conduct any false or misleading commercial publicity in respect of the performance, functions, quality, sales, user reviews, and honours received of its commodities to defraud or mislead consumers, nor help other operators to conduct false or misleading commercial publicity by means including organizing false transactions; (4) shall not infringe on trade secrets; (5) shall not fabricate or disseminate false or misleading information or damage the business reputation of the competitors or their goods. Furthermore, operators conducting sales with prizes or engaging in production or operations activities online shall also abide by the relevant provisions of the Anti-Unfair Competition Law.

# Regulations on Securities and Filing for Overseas Listing

#### Laws and Regulations on Securities

The PRC Securities Law, which was promulgated by the SCNPC on 29 December 1998, and was latest amended on 28 December 2019 and took effect on 1 March 2020, comprehensively regulating activities in the mainland China securities market including issuance and trading of securities, takeovers by listed companies, securities exchanges, securities companies and the duties and responsibilities of securities regulatory authorities, etc. The PRC Securities Law further regulates that a domestic enterprise issuing securities overseas directly or indirectly or listing their securities overseas for trading shall comply with the relevant provisions of the State Council. The CSRC is the securities regulatory body set up by the State Council to supervise the securities market according to law, maintain order in the market. Currently, the issue and trading of H shares are principally governed by the laws and regulations, rules and normative documents promulgated by the State Council and the CSRC.

#### Filing for Overseas Listings

Pursuant to the Trial Measures for the Administration on Overseas Securities Offering and Listing by Domestic Companies (《境內企業境外發行證券和上市管理試行辦法》) released by the CSRC on 17 February 2023 and became effective on 31 March 2023, together with supporting guidelines applicable for regulation rules, the unified management of filings shall be implemented for direct or indirect overseas offerings of securities and listings by domestic enterprises. All issuers are required to complete the filing procedures and report relevant information to the security regulatory authority of the State Council. Issuers listing directly in overseas markets are required to file with the CSRC within three working days after submitting its application for overseas listing.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Trial Measures for the Administration on Overseas Securities Offering and Listing by Domestic Companies, no overseas offering of securities and listing shall be made under any of the following circumstances for domestic enterprises:

- (1) such financing for listing is explicitly prohibited by provisions in laws, administrative regulations or relevant state rules;
- (2) the intended overseas securities offering and listing may endanger national security as reviewed and determined by relevant competent authorities under the State Council in accordance with law:
- (3) the domestic enterprise, its controlling shareholders or the actual controller, have committed criminal offences such as corruption, bribery, misappropriation of property, embezzlement, or undermining the order of the socialist market economy during the recent three years;
- (4) the domestic enterprise is suspected of committing criminal offences or major violations of laws, and is under investigation according to law and no conclusion or opinion has yet been made thereof;
- (5) there are material ownership disputes over equity held by its controlling shareholders or by shareholders that are controlled by the controlling shareholder or actual controller.

Pursuant to the Provisions on Strengthening the Confidentiality and Archives Administration Related to the Overseas Securities Offering and Listing by Domestic Enterprises (《關於加強境內企業境外發行證券和上市相關保密和檔案管理工作的規定》), where a domestic enterprise provides or publicly discloses any document or material that involving state secrets and working secrets of state agencies to the relevant securities companies, securities service institutions, overseas regulatory authorities and other entities and individuals, it shall report to the competent department with the examination and approval authority for approval in accordance with the law, and submit to the secrecy administration department of the same level for filing. The working papers formed within the territory of mainland China by the securities companies and securities service agencies that provide corresponding services for the overseas issuance and listing of domestic enterprises shall be kept within the territory of mainland China. Cross-border transfer shall go through the examination and approval formalities in accordance with the relevant provisions of the State.

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#### Regulation on Business Registration

#### Business Registration Ordinance (Chapter 310 of the Laws of Hong Kong) ("BRO")

Every person, (a company or individual), who carries on a business in Hong Kong is required under the BRO to apply for a business registration certificate from the Inland Revenue Department within one month from the date of commencement of the business, and to display a valid business registration certificate at the place of business. Business registration does not serve to regulate business activities and it is not a licence to trade. Business registration serves to notify the Inland Revenue Department of the establishment of a business in Hong Kong. Business registration certificate will be issued on submission of the necessary document(s) together with payment of the relevant fee. A business registration certificate is renewable every year or every three years (if business operators elect for issuance of business registration certificate that is valid for three years). Any person who fails to apply for business registration shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to a fine of HK\$5,000 and to imprisonment for one year.

#### Regulations on Employment and Labor

# Occupational Safety and Health Ordinance (Chapter 509 of the Laws of Hong Kong) ("OSHO")

The OSHO provides for the safety and health protection to employees in workplace, both industrial and non-industrial. Under section 6 of the OSHO, every employer must, so far as reasonably practicable, ensure the safety and health at work of all the employer's employees by:

- providing and maintaining plant and systems of work that are safe and without risks to health;
- making arrangements for ensuring safety and absence of risks to health in connection with the use, handling, storage or transport of plant and substances;
- providing information, instruction, training and supervision as may be necessary to ensure the safety and health at work of the employees;

- as regards any workplace under the employer's control, maintaining the workplace
  in a condition that is safe and without risks to health or providing or maintaining
  means of access to and egress from the workplace that are safe and without any such
  risks; and
- providing or maintaining a working environment for the employees that is safe and without risks to health.

Failure to comply with the above provisions constitutes an offence and the employer is liable on conviction to a fine of HK\$200,000. An employer who fails to do so intentionally, knowingly or recklessly commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of HK\$200,000 and to imprisonment for six months.

The Commissioner for Labour may serve an improvement notice on an employer against contravention of the OSHO or the FIUO, or a suspension notice against activity or condition or use of workplace or of any plant or substance located on the workplace which may create an imminent risk of death or serious bodily injury to the employees. Failure to comply with a requirement of an improvement notice or contravenes a suspension notice without reasonable excuse constitutes an offence and the employer is liable on conviction to a fine of HK\$200,000 and HK\$500,000, respectively, and to imprisonment for 12 months.

# Occupiers Liability Ordinance (Chapter 314 of the Laws of Hong Kong) ("OLO")

The OLO regulates the obligations of a person occupying or having control of premises on injury resulting to persons or damage caused to goods or other property lawfully on the land. The Occupiers Liability Ordinance imposes a common duty of care on an occupier of premises to take such care as in all the circumstances of the case is reasonable to see that the visitors will be reasonably safe in using the premises for the purposes for which he is invited or permitted by the occupier to be there.

# Employment Ordinance (Chapter 57 of the Laws of Hong Kong) ("EO")

The EO regulates the general conditions of employment and matters connected therein in Hong Kong. It provides for various employment-related benefits and entitlements to employees. All employees covered by the EO, irrespective of their hours of work, are entitled to protection including payment of wages, restrictions on wages deductions and the granting of statutory holidays. Employees who are employed under a continuous contract are further entitled to such benefits as rest days, paid annual leave, sickness allowance, severance payment and long service payment.

### Employee's Compensation Ordinance (Chapter 282 of the Laws of Hong Kong) ("ECO")

The ECO establishes a no-fault and non-contributory employee compensation system for work injuries and lays down the rights and obligations of employers and employees in respect of injuries or deaths caused by accidents arising out of and in the course of employment, or by prescribed occupational diseases. Under the ECO, if an employee sustains an injury or dies as a result of an accident arising out of and in the course of his employment, his employer is in general liable to pay compensation even if the employee might have committed acts of faults or negligence when the accident occurred. Similarly, an employee who suffers incapacity or dies arising from an occupational disease is entitled to receive the same compensation as that payable to employees injured in occupational accidents.

According to section 40 of the ECO, all employers are required to take out insurance policy to cover their liabilities both under the ECO and at common law for injuries at work in respect of all employees (including full-time and part-time employees) for an amount not less than the applicable amount specified under the ECO. An employer who fails to comply with the ECO to secure an insurance cover is liable on conviction upon indictment to a fine at level 6 (currently at HK\$100,000) and to imprisonment for two years, and on summary conviction to a fine at level 6 (currently at HK\$100,000) and to imprisonment for one year.

### Minimum Wage Ordinance (Chapter 608 of the Laws of Hong Kong) ("MWO")

The MWO provides for a prescribed minimum hourly wage rate (currently set at HK\$42.1 per hour) during the wage period for every employee engaged under a contract of employment under the EO (except those specified under section 7 of the MWO). A provision of a contract of employment that purports to extinguish or reduce any right, benefit or protection conferred on the employee by the MWO is void.

# Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme Ordinance (Chapter 485 of the Laws of Hong Kong) ("MPFSO")

The MPFSO provides for, inter alia, the establishment of a system of privately managed, employment related mandatory provident fund schemes for members of the workforce to accrue financial benefits for retirement. Subject to the minimum and maximum relevant income levels, it is mandatory for both employers and their employees to contribute 5% of the employee's relevant income to the mandatory provident fund scheme. Currently, the minimum and maximum relevant income levels for employees who are paid monthly are HK\$7,100 and HK\$30,000 respectively. Further, employers are obliged to enroll their employees aged 18 to 65 to a Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme within 60 days of his or her employment.

### Immigration Ordinance (Chapter 115 of the Laws of Hong Kong) ("IO")

Generally speaking, under the IO, a person is required to hold a visa/entry permit to work in Hong Kong unless he has the right of abode or right to land in Hong Kong. Section 17I of the IO stipulates that any person who is the employer of an employee who is not lawfully employable commits an offence and is liable to a fine of HK\$350,000 and to imprisonment for three years if the employee is not a prohibited employee, and if the employee is a prohibited employee, to a fine of HK\$500,000 and to imprisonment for 10 years.

### **Regulations on Taxation**

### Inland Revenue Ordinance (Chapter 112 of the Laws of Hong Kong) ("IRO")

As our Group carry out business in Hong Kong, the Company are subject to the profits tax regime under the IRO. The IRO is an ordinance for the purposes of imposing taxes on property, earnings and profits in Hong Kong. The IRO provides, among others, that persons, which include corporations, partnerships, trustees and bodies of person, carrying on any trade, profession or business in Hong Kong are chargeable to tax on all profits (excluding profits from the sale of capital assets) arising in or derived from Hong Kong from such trade, profession or business. As at the Latest Practicable Date, the standard profits tax rate for corporations is currently at 8.25% on assessable profits up to HK\$2,000,000; and 16.5% on any part of assessable profits over HK\$2,000,000. The IRO also contains provisions relating to, among others, permissible deductions for outgoings and expenses, set-offs for losses and allowance for depreciation.

Section 51(1) of the IRO requires every person, upon receipt of a written notice from the Inland Revenue Department, to submit a return within a reasonable time as stated in such notice. In relation to (i) any tax computation containing incorrect information (the "Incorrect Information"); and (ii) the filing of tax return containing the Incorrect Information, a person may be subject to prosecution under section 80(2) or 82(1) of the IRO pursuant to which:

(a) Any person who without reasonable excuse files an incorrect return commits an offence under section 80(2) of the IRO and is liable on conviction to a fine at level 3 (i.e. HK\$10,000) and a further fine of treble the amount of tax which has been undercharged as a result of the incorrect return, statement or information or omission, or would have been so undercharged if the return, statement or information had been accepted as correct or the omission had not been detected.

- (b) Any person who willfully with intent to evade or to assist any other person to evade tax omits from a return any sum which should be included commits an offence under section 82(1) of the IRO is liable:
  - (i) on summary conviction to a fine at level 3 (i.e. HK\$10,000), a further fine of treble the amount of tax which has been undercharged in consequence of the offence or which would have been undercharged if the offence has not been detected and imprisonment for 6 months; and
  - (ii) on indictment to a fine at level 5 (i.e. HK\$50,000), a further fine of treble the amount of tax which has been undercharged in consequence of the offence or which would have been undercharged if the offence has not been detected and imprisonment for 3 years.
- (c) Under sections 80(5) and 82(2) of the IRO, the Commissioner of Inland Revenue may compound any offence in lieu of prosecution.
- (d) Under section 82A of the IRO, any person who without reasonable excuse makes an incorrect return by omitting or understating anything in respect of which he is required to make a return, shall, if no prosecution under section 80(2) or 82(1) has been instituted in respect of the same facts, be liable to be assessed to additional tax of an amount not exceeding treble the amount of tax undercharged as a result of the filing of the incorrect tax return.

Additionally, section 51C of the IRO provides that any person carrying on a trade, profession or business in Hong Kong shall keep sufficient records in the English or Chinese language of his income and expenditure to enable the assessable profits of such trade, profession or business to be readily ascertained and shall retain such records for a period of not less than seven years after the completion of the transactions, acts or operations to which they relate. The section sets out general requirement of records that should be kept. Any person who without reasonable excuse fails to comply with section 51C is liable on conviction to a maximum fine at level 6 (i.e. HK\$100,000).

### **Regulations on Data Protection**

### Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Chapter 486 of the Laws of Hong Kong) ("PDPO")

The PDPO imposes a statutory duty on data users to comply with the requirements of the six data protection principles (the "Data Protection Principles") contained in Schedule 1 to the PDPO. The PDPO provides that a data user shall not do an act, or engage in a practice, that contravenes a Data Protection Principle unless the act or practice, as the case may be, is required or permitted under the PDPO.

The Data Protection Principles are summarized as follows:

- (1) Adequate personal data should be collected (i) for a lawful purpose, which is necessary for and directly related to a function or activity of the data user, (ii) by fair and lawful means. The person whose data is being collect is informed (a) that whether he is obligatory or voluntary for him to supply the data, (b) the purpose of the collection and the class of persons to whom the data may be transferred, (c) on or before, his right to access and correct the data collected and the information of the person who might handle such requests.
- (2) All practicable steps shall be taken to ensure the accuracy of the person data collected, and kept not long than is necessary.
- (3) Personal data should not be used for the purposes outside of the person's consent.
- (4) All practicable steps shall be taken to ensure that any personal data held by a data user is protected against unauthorized or accidental access, processing, erasure, loss or use.
- (5) All practicable steps shall be taken to ensure that a person can (a) ascertain a data user's policies and practices in relation to personal data; (b) be informed of the kind of personal data held by a data user; (c) be informed of the main purposes for which personal data held by a data user is or is to be used.
- (6) A data subject shall be entitled to ascertain whether a data user holds personal data of which he is the data subject and request access to personal data. The data subject should be given reasons if the request is refused and right to object to the refusal.

Contravention with the Data Protection Principles may entitle the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data to issue a written notice directing the data user to remedy and prevent recurrence of contravention. Contravention with the above notice is an offence and the offender is liable on (a) first conviction to a fine HK\$50,000 and to imprisonment for two years, and if the offence continues after the conviction, to a daily penalty of HK\$1,000; and (b) second or subsequent conviction to a fine at HK\$100,000 and to imprisonment for two years, and if the offence continues after the conviction, to a daily penalty of HK\$2,000. It is a defense to the above offence if the data user shows that he exercised all due diligence to comply with the enforcement notice.

The PDPO also gives data subjects certain rights, inter alia:

- the right to be informed by a data user whether the data user holds personal data of which the individual is the data subject;
- if the data user holds such data, to be supplied with a copy of such data; and

• the right to request correction of any data they consider to be inaccurate.

The PDPO criminalises, including but not limited to, the misuse or inappropriate use of personal data in direct marketing activities, non-compliance with a data access request and the unauthorised disclosure of personal data obtained without the relevant data user's consent. An individual who suffers damage, including injured feelings, by reason of a contravention of the PDPO in relation to his or her personal data may seek compensation from the data user concerned.

### Regulations on Intellectual Property Rights

### Copyrights Ordinance (Chapter 528 of the Laws of Hong Kong)

The Copyright Ordinance recognizes copyright as a property right subsisting in various forms of works.

Copyright in a work is infringed by a person who without the licence of the copyright owner does, or authorizes another to do, any of the acts restricted by the copyright, which includes (also known as primary infringement): (a) copying the work; (b) issuing copies of the work to the public; (c) renting copies of the work to the public; (d) making available copies of the work to the public; (e) performing, showing or playing the work in public; (f) broadcasting the work or including it in a cable program service; (g) making an adaptation of the work or doing any of the above in relation to an adaptation; and (h) other acts referred to in Part II of the Copyright Ordinance.

The Copyright Ordinance also provides for the acts which are categorized as secondary infringement, they include, amongst others: possessing, exhibiting, or distributing for the purpose of or in the course of any trade or business (it being immaterial whether or not the trade consists of dealing in infringing copies of copyright works); selling or letting for hire, or offering or exposing for sale or hire; or distributing otherwise to affect prejudicially the copyright owner, an infringing copy.

Commission of secondary infringement is a criminal offence if the infringer knows or has reason to believe the copy of a work to be an infringing copy of the work. For the sale of an infringing copy in the course of any trade or business, upon conviction on indictment, the infringer is liable to a fine at HK\$50,000 in respect of each infringing copy and to imprisonment for four years.

### Trade Marks Ordinance (Chapter 559 of the Laws of Hong Kong)

The Trade Mark Ordinance protects registered trademarks. The duration of the registered trademarks are for ten years, which can be further renewed for ten years per renewal. A registered trade mark may be challenged in revocation proceedings if it is not used in Hong Kong for a continuous period of three years.

A person infringes a registered trade mark if he uses in the course of trade or business a sign:

- (1) which is identical to the trade mark in relation to goods or services which are identical to those for which it is registered;
- (2) which is identical to the trade mark in relation to goods or services which are similar to those for which it is registered, and the use of the sign in relation to those goods or services is likely to cause confusion on the part of the public;
- (3) which is similar to the trade mark in relation to goods or services which are identical or similar to those for which it is registered and the use of the sign in relation to those goods or services is likely to cause confusion on the part of the public; or
- (4) which is identical or similar to the well-known trade mark in relation to any goods or services, and the use of the sign, being without due cause, takes unfair advantage of, or is detrimental to, the distinctive character or repute of the trade mark.

### Regulations on Anti-money Laundering and Counter-terrorist financing

Drug Trafficking (Recovery of Proceeds) Ordinance (Chapter 405 of the Laws of Hong Kong) ("DTROP")

Among other things, the DTROP contains provisions for the investigation of assets suspected to be derived from drug trafficking activities, the freezing of assets on arrest and the confiscation of the proceeds from drug trafficking activities by the competent authorities. It is an offence under the DTROP for a person to deal with any property knowing or having reasonable grounds to believe it to represent the proceeds from drug trafficking. The DTROP requires a person to report to an authorised officer if he/she knows or suspects that any property (in whole or in part directly or indirectly) represents the proceeds of drug trafficking or is intended to be used or was used in connection with drug trafficking, and failure to make such disclosure constitutes an offence under the DTROP.

# Organized and Serious Crimes Ordinance (Chapter 455 of the Laws of Hong Kong) ("OSCO")

Among other things, the OSCO empowers officers of the Hong Kong Police Force and the Hong Kong Customs & Excise Department to investigate organised crime and triad activities, and confers jurisdiction on the Hong Kong courts to confiscate the proceeds of organised and serious crimes, to issue restraint orders and charging orders in relation to the property of defendants of specified offences under the OSCO. The OSCO extends the money laundering offence to cover the proceeds from all indictable offences in addition to drug trafficking.

United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance (Chapter 575 of the Laws of Hong Kong) ("UNATMO")

Among other things, the UNATMO stipulates that it is a criminal offence to: (1) provide or collect property (by any means, directly or indirectly) with the intention or knowledge that the property will be used to commit, in whole or in part, one or more terrorist acts; or (2) make any property or financial (or related) services available, by any means, directly or indirectly, to or for the benefit of a person knowing that, or being reckless as to whether, such person is a terrorist or terrorist associate, or collect property or solicit financial (or related) services, by any means, directly or indirectly, for the benefit of a person knowing that, or being reckless as to whether, the person is a terrorist or terrorist associate. The UNATMO also requires a person to disclose his knowledge or suspicion of terrorist property to an authorised officer, and failure to make such disclosure constitutes an offence under the UNATMO.

### REGULATION ENVIRONMENT IN TAIWAN, CHINA

Set out below is a summary of the major laws and regulations of Taiwan which our business operations in Taiwan would be subject to:

### Laws and Regulations Relating to Daily Operations

### Cross Strait Investment

In Taiwan, pursuant to the Measures Governing Investment Permit to the People of Mainland Area (大陸地區人民來臺投資許可辦法) (announced on 3rd July 2009 and latest amended on 30th December 2020) (the "Measures"), which is stipulated according to Paragraph 2 of Article 72 and of the Paragraph 3 of Article 73 of the Act Governing Relations between the People of the Taiwan Area and the Mainland Area (臺灣地區與大陸地區人民關係 條例) (announced on 16th September 1992 and latest amended on 8th June 2022) (the "Act"), the investors of the Mainland Area (the "Mainland investors") including the individuals, juristic persons, organizations, other institutions from Mainland and the companies they invest into in a third area, shall submit applications, together with the investment plans, certificates and other required documents, to the Department of Investment Review, Ministry of Economic Affairs (the "DIR") for approval prior to investment. The same shall apply if and when such investment plans be changed or amended or any of such investors assign or transfer the investment to a third party. Furthermore, according to Paragraph 1 Article 73 of the Act and Paragraph 2 of Article 8 of the Measures, Mainland Investors may be prohibited from investing in the following enterprises which: (i) are in position of economic exclusive occupancy, oligopoly or monopoly; (ii) have political, social and cultural sensitivity or impact upon national security; and (iii) have negative influence upon the national economic development or financial stability, and the invested industry and business shall be also subject to the Positive List for Mainland Investors (大陸地區人民來臺投資業別項目正面表列) announced by the DIR.

The invested companies in a third area mentioned in the preceding paragraph refer to those invested by the individuals, juristic persons, organizations and other institutions from Mainland and in one of the following situations: (i) directly or indirectly holding the shares issued by such invested company or the total contributing amount exceeding thirty percent (30%); or (ii) having the controlling power over the companies in a third area. Additionally, the Mainland Investors shall apply for the foreign exchange settlement against the interest accrued on his annual income, or against the profit surplus distributed to such Mainland Investors from his investment.

Pursuant to Article 386 of the Taiwan Company Act (announced on 26th December 1929 and latest amended on 29th December 2021), a foreign company may designate a representative to establish a representative office in Taiwan. In the case of a representative office established by profit-seeking enterprises from Mainland China or by their invested profit-seeking enterprises in a third area (大陸地區之營利事業或其於第三地區投資之營利事業), it shall comply with the Regulations Governing the Permission of Establishing Branches or Representative Offices in Taiwan by Profit-Seeking Enterprises in Mainland China or Their Invested Profit-Seeking Enterprises in a Third Area (大陸地區之營利事業或其於第三地區投資之營利事業在臺設立分公司或辦事處許可辦法) (announced on 3rd July 2009 and latest amended on 17th November 2022) (the "Representative Office Regulation"), including but not limited to (i) only performing the permissible activities (e.g. contracting, providing quotations, price negotiations, bidding, procurement, market research, and the collection, compilation, and analysis of market-related data) and being prohibited from engaging in research and development activities based on Article 14, and (ii) being prohibited from engaging activities set forth in Article 18.

### Foreign Exchange Control

In Taiwan, foreign exchange control are mainly governed by the Foreign Exchange Regulation Act (管理外匯條例) (announced on 11th January 1949 and latest amended on 29th April 2009) (the "FERA"). Under the Foreign Exchange Regulation Act, the Central Bank of Republic of China (Taiwan) is authorized in charge of foreign exchange business and stipulating the declaration rules, i.e. the Regulations Governing the Declaration of Foreign Exchange Receipts and Disbursements or Transactions (外匯收支或交易申報辦法) (announced on 30th August 1995 and latest amended on 26th December 2022).

Pursuant to Article 6-1 of the FERA and Articles 4 to 6 of the Regulations Governing the Declaration of Foreign Exchange Receipts and Disbursements or Transactions, a company, established in the R.O.C. pursuant to the laws of the R.O.C. or recognized by and registered with the government of the R.O.C., shall declare its foreign exchange receipts, disbursements or transactions as required according to the remittance brackets and the natures of relevant transactions extracted as follows.

A. No deed for declaration — for foreign exchange receipts, disbursements or transactions involving less than NT\$500,000 or its equivalent in foreign currency.

- B. Direct declaration of foreign exchange settlement for settlements against the New Taiwan dollar in the following foreign exchange receipts and disbursement or transactions:
  - (a) Foreign exchange receipts from export of goods or provision of services to non-residents;
  - (b) Foreign exchange disbursements for import of goods, or for services provided by non-residents; and
  - (c) Foreign exchange purchased or sold within the annual aggregate settlement amount not exceeding the equivalent of US\$50 million.
  - (d) Foreign exchange sold by a representative or business office that does not have operating income in Taiwan to cover its office expenses.
- C. Declaration of foreign exchange settlement requiring documentation for settlement of foreign exchange against the New Taiwan dollar in the following foreign exchange receipts and disbursement or transactions:
  - (a) A single remittance with an amount over the equivalent of US\$1 million; and
  - (b) Remittances approved by the competent authorities for direct investment, portfolio investment or futures trading; and
  - (c) Remittances for transactions conducted within the territory of the R.O.C. involving goods or services located outside the territory of the R.O.C.
- D. Declaration of foreign exchange settlement requiring approval for settlement of foreign exchange against the New Taiwan dollar in the foreign exchange receipts and disbursement or transactions where essential remittances by the company whose annual aggregate settlement amount of foreign exchange purchased or sold has exceeded the equivalent of US\$50 million.

### Labor and Safety Law

### **Employment**

In Taiwan, for the purpose to protect labor rights and interests, strengthen employee-employer relationships and promote social and economic development, the Labor Standards Act (勞動基準法) (announced on 30th July 1984 and latest amended on 31st July 2024) (the "LSA") provides the minimum standards of the terms and conditions to govern the employment. Any employment relationship and business/industry applicable to such act shall

comply with the requirements regulated therein, and those terms and conditions of employment agreement below the minimum standards or contrary to the provisions of the Labor Standards Act shall be deemed void and unenforceable.

The LSA establishes standards with respect to labor contracts, wages, working hours, recess and holidays, juvenile workers and female workers, apprentices, retirement, compensation for occupational accidents, and work rules. Any employer who violates the provisions of the LSA, as the case may be, will be imprisoned, detained and/or fined.

Furthermore, in addition to the LSA, the Act of Gender Equality in Employment (性別工作平等法) (announced on 16th January 2002 and latest amended on 16th August 2023), the Regulations of Leave-Taking of Workers (勞工請假規則) (announced on 20th March 1985 and latest amended on 1st May 2023) and other relevant laws and regulations shall also apply.

### Labor Pension

In order to protect labors' livelihood after retirement, consolidate the relations between employees and employers, and promote social and economic developments, employers are obligated to fund pension for their employees for full compliance with the Labor Pension Act (勞工退休金條例) (announced on 30th June 2004 and latest amended on 15th May 2019) (the "LPA") and the Labor Standards Act. In accordance with Article 7 of the Labor Pension Act, all domestic employees who are subject to the Labor Standards Act shall be subject to the new scheme.

Pursuant to Article 14 of the LPA, the contribution rate by an employer to the individual pension fund accounts at the Bureau of Labor Insurance on a monthly basis shall not be less than six percent (6%) of employee's monthly wage and an employee may also contribute per month, up to six percent (6%) of his/her monthly wages to the pension fund account. The full amount of the voluntary pension contribution made by an employee may be deducted from the employee's taxable income in the year concerned. Based on Article 24 of the LPA, an employee who is sixty (60) years old or above and whose seniority is more than fifteen (15) years, is entitled to monthly pension payments; if an employee whose seniority is less than fifteen (15) years shall be entitled to a lump sum pension payment. Seniority shall be calculated based on the number of years for which contributions to the pension fund were made.

An employer fails to contribute to the pension on monthly basis or in full for an employee in accordance herewith, employer is liable for any damages caused to the employee. Additionally, an employer who is in violation of Article 14 and fails to duly or fully contribute the amount of labor pension is required to pay penalty at three percent (3%) of the amount of contribution on a daily basis for the period from the date following the expiration date until the date preceding the settlement date.

### Labor & Health Insurance

According to the Labor Insurance Act (勞工保險條例) (announced on 21st July 1958 and latest amended on 28th April 2021) (the "LIA") and the National Health Insurance Act (全民健康保險法)(announced on 9th August 1994 and latest amended on 28th June 2023) (the "NHIA"), in order to protect labors' livelihood and promote social security, employees from fifteen (15) years old to sixty-five (65) years old who applies to the requirements prescribed in Article 6 of the LIA as well as the Article 8 of the NHIA shall all be insured under those program.

The insurance premium of those insurance is calculated based on the insured person's salary/payroll and insurance premium rate. After the implementation of the NHIA, which is compulsory social insurance, aside from the medical payments for ordinary accidents are handled by the National Health Insurance Administration, existing labor insurance covers other ordinary accidents including maternity, injury, sickness, disability, old-age, and death benefits.

Any breach of such acts by either an employee or an insured unit will be punished by a monetary penalty. The employer will be subject to penalty no less than NT\$100 and no more than NT\$500; while the insured unit will be imposed a fine between two times to four times of the insurance premiums the insured unit have failed to pay for the employee, depending on which provisions of the Labor Insurance Act the insured unit have violated.

### Laws and Regulations Relating to Properties

### **Trademark**

The Trademark Act (商標法) (announced on 6th May 1930 and latest amended on 24th May 2023) is enacted for protection of the rights of trademark, certification mark, collective membership mark, collective trademark and the interests of consumers, maintenance of fair competition, and promotion of development of the industry and commerce.

According to Articles 68 and 70 of the Trademark Act, using a trademark which is identical with or similar to the registered trademark and used in relation to goods or services identical with or similar to those for which the registered one is designated, and hence there exists a likelihood of confusion on relevant consumers and/or knowingly using a trademark which is identical with or similar to another person's well-known registered trademark, and hence there exists a likelihood of dilution of the distinctiveness or reputation of the said well-known trademark in the course of trade and without consent of the proprietor of a registered trademark, constitute or will be deemed infringement of the right of such trademark, or any person who, without the consent of the proprietor of a registered trademark, manufactures, sells, possesses, displays, exports, or imports labels, tags, packaging, containers, or service-related articles that bear trademarks the same or similar to said registered trademark of the identical or similar goods or services in the course of trade for their own use or for others, shall also be deemed an infringer of the right of such trademark. Companies which infringe others' trademark rights will face civil liabilities (Article 69) and criminal charges of

imprisonment for a period not exceeding three years and/or a fine not exceeding NT\$200,000 (Article 95). However, according to Article 36, a registered trademark shall not entitle the proprietor to prohibit a third party from (a) indicating his/her own name, or the term, shape, quality, nature, characteristic, intended purpose, place of origin, or any other description in relation to his/her own goods or services, in accordance with honest practices in industrial or commercial matters and not using it as a trademark; (b) indicating the purpose of use of goods or services in accordance with honest practices in industrial or commercial matters, where it is necessary to use the registered trademark to indicate goods or services of the proprietor. It shall not apply if there exists a likelihood of confusion among relevant consumers as a result of such use; (c) using where it is necessary for the goods or services to be functional; and (d) using bona fide, prior to the filing date of the registered trademark, an identical or similar trademark on goods or services identical with or similar to those for which the registered trademark is protected, provided that the use is only to the original extent; the proprietor of the registered trademark is entitled to request the party who use the trademark to add an appropriate and distinguishing indication.

### Patent

Pursuant to the Patent Act (專利法) (announced on 29th May 1944 and latest amended on 4th May 2022), there are three types of patents: invention patents, utility model patents, and design patents. The respective patent terms are 20, 10, and 15 years, all calculated from the filing date of a patent application, while the patent rights are actionable from the issue date of the patent. A third-party user must obtain consent or a proper license from the patent owner to use the patent expect for certain specific circumstances provided by law. Otherwise, the use will constitute an infringement of the patent rights.

As Taiwan is not a member of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (the "PCT"), it is not possible to file a national stage patent application in Taiwan of a PCT application. However, as Taiwan is a member of the WTO and hence subject to the rules of the Paris Convention incorporated into the TRIPS Agreement, any foreign applicant, whose country of origin is a WTO member or who has a domicile or a place of business within the territory of a WTO member jurisdiction, is entitled to claim priority in Taiwan based on his invention patent or utility model application (including a PCT application) first filed in any member country of the WTO within 12 months (or 6 months in case of a design application) of the filing date in Taiwan.

### **OVERVIEW**

The history of the Company began in April 2005, when it was founded by Mr. Zhu Yiming, an executive Director and the chairman of the Board. In August 2016, the A Shares of the Company were listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange under the stock code 603986.SH.

Over the years, the Group has evolved into a globally leading IC design house for a diverse range of chips, including Flash, niche DRAM, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips, as well as a complete set of systems and solutions, including corresponding algorithms and software. According to Frost & Sullivan, in terms of sales in 2024, the Group is the market leader in various fields and are the only IC design house that ranks top 10 globally in NOR Flash, SLC NAND Flash, niche DRAM, and MCU.

### MILESTONES

The following sets out the summary of the Company's key business development milestones:

Year	Milestone					
2005	The Company was established and headquartered in Beijing.					
2008	The first SPI NOR Flash in China was released by the Company.					
2013	The first Arm® Cortex® M3 32-Bit MCU in China was released by the Company.					
2015	The Company completed the AEC-Q100 certification for the first GD25 SPI NOR Flash.					
2016	The A Shares of the Company were listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange (stock code: 603986.SH).					
2019	The Company completed the acquisition of 100% equity interest in Silead.					
	The Company released the world's first RISC-V Core 32-bit MCU.					
	The Company's GD25 SPI NOR Flash passed AEC-Q100 automotive-grade certification.					
2021	The Company's 24nm SLC NAND Flash has been unveiled.					
	The Company launched its first DRAM DDR 4.					
2022	The Company's GD5F SPI NAND Flash has passed AEC-Q100 automotive-grade certification.					
2023	The Company became the first company based in mainland China to launch the high-performance MCU based on the Arm® Cortex®-M7 architecture.					

Year	Milestone				
	The Company obtained ISO 26262 ASIL D process certification.  The cumulative shipment volume of the Group's automotive-grade memory exceeded 100 million.				
2024					
	GD32H7 STL Software Test Library of the Company obtained TÜV Rheinland IEC 61508 functional safety certification.				
	GD25/55 automotive-grade SPI NOR Flash of the Company obtained ISO 26262 ASIL D certification.				

### **MAJOR SUBSIDIARIES**

The following sets out details of the Company's subsidiaries that are material to the Group's operations.

Name of subsidiary	Place of establishment/incorporation	Date of establishment/ incorporation	Equity interest attributable to the Company	Principal business activities
GigaDevice Semiconductor (HK) Limited (芯技佳易微電子(香港)科 技有限公司, "GigaDevice HK")	Hong Kong	August 4, 2008	100%	Sales of chips
GigaDevice Hefei	PRC	March 13, 2014	100%	Technology development and sales of chips
Silead	PRC	January 27, 2011	100%	Research, development and sales of chips
GigaDevice Shanghai	PRC	February 16, 2012	100%	Research, development and sales of chips
GigaDevice Semiconductor Singapore Pte. Ltd.  ("GigaDevice Singapore")	Singapore	November 23, 2020	100%	Sales of chips
GigaDevice Xi'an		November 24, 2017	100%	Technology development and sales of chips
XC Memory	PRC	July 11, 2024	100%	Technology development and sales of chips

Name of subsidiary	Place of establishment/ incorporation	Date of establishment/ incorporation	Equity interest attributable to the Company	Principal business activities
Xysemi	PRC	February 27, 2009	38.07%	Research, development and sales of chips
Shenzhen Outer Harbor Technology Development Co., Ltd. (深圳市外 灘科技開發有限公司, " <b>Outer</b>	PRC	July 22, 2013	100%	Investment holding
<b>Harbor</b> ")				
CreMemory Technology	PRC	July 31, 2024	77.78%	Technology development and sales of chips

### MAJOR SHAREHOLDING CHANGES OF THE COMPANY

### Early Development and Conversion into a Joint Stock Company

On April 6, 2005, the Company was established under the laws of the PRC as a limited liability company with an initial registered capital of RMB2,000,000 and was held as to 60% by Mr. Zhu Yiming and 40% by Beijing Tus Venture Incubator Co., Ltd. (北京啟迪創業孵化器有限公司), formerly known as Beijing Tsinghua Science Park Incubator Co., Ltd. (北京清華科技園孵化器有限公司)), an Independent Third Party. Between 2005 and 2012, the Company underwent several rounds of capital increases and equity transfers, upon completion of which its registered capital increased to RMB59,885,024.

On December 28, 2012, the Company was converted into a joint stock company. Upon completion of the conversion, the Company had a total share capital of RMB75,000,000 divided into 75,000,000 Shares, which were held as to 16.29% by Mr. Zhu Yiming, 14.11% by Insight Power Investments Limited (訊安投資有限公司), an Independent Third Party, 13.95% by InfoGrid Limited, 11.89% by Tus Zhonghai Venture Capital Limited (啟迪中海創業投資有限公司) and 43.76% by 16 other then Shareholders of the Company, each holding less than 10% of the Shares and being an Independent Third Party at the time of the conversion.

### Listing on the Shanghai Stock Exchange

In August 2016, the A Shares of the Company were listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange (stock code: 603986.SH) (the "A-Share Listing"). The Company offered a total of 25,000,000 A Shares under the A-Share Listing, representing 25% of the Company's enlarged share capital immediately following the completion of the A-Share Listing. Immediately upon the completion of the A-Share Listing, the share capital of the Company increased to RMB100,000,000.

### Issuance and Private Placement of A Shares in 2019

As approved by the Shareholders in May 2018 and May 2019 and the CSRC in May 2019, the Company (i) issued certain A Shares (the "2019 A Share Issuance") as the share consideration for the Company's acquisition of the entire equity interest in Silead (the "Silead Acquisition"); and (ii) conducted a private placement of its A Shares (the "2019 A Share Placement") to raise funds for various development initiatives, including the payment of the cash consideration for the Silead Acquisition, implementation of advanced technology research and development projects and construction of a research and development center.

Pursuant to the 2019 A Share Issuance, a total of 22,688,014 A Shares were issued to 11 then shareholders of Silead, each of whom was an Independent Third Party, as the share consideration of RMB1,445 million for the Silead Acquisition. Pursuant to the 2019 A Share Placement, a total of 12,956,141 A Shares were issued in the placement to six investors, each of whom was an Independent Third Party. The 2019 A Share Placement raised net proceeds of approximately RMB935.9 million. Following the completion of the 2019 A Share Issuance and the 2019 A Share Placement, the Company's total issued share capital increased to RMB320,538,643.

### Private Placement of A Shares in 2020

As approved by the Shareholders in October 2019 and March 2020 and the CSRC in April 2020, the Company conducted a private placement of its A Shares to raise funds for the research and development and industrialization project of the Group's DRAM and the supplementation of the Group's working capital (the "2020 A Share Placement"). Pursuant to the 2020 A Share Placement, a total of 21,219,077 A Shares were issued in the placement to five investors, each of whom was an Independent Third Party. The 2020 A Share Placement raised net proceeds of RMB4,282.4 million. Following the completion of the 2020 A Share Placement, the Company's total issued share capital increased to RMB470,780,652.

### **ACTING-IN-CONCERT UNDERTAKING**

In 2013, InfoGrid Limited issued the Acting-in-Concert Undertaking, pursuant to which InfoGrid Limited has undertaken, among others:

- (i) to act in concert with Mr. Zhu Yiming when voting at general meetings of the Company;
- (ii) to procure the Director(s) recommended by InfoGrid Limited (if any) to act in concert with Mr. Zhu Yiming when voting at the Board meetings of the Company;
- (iii) not to seek actual control of the Company; and
- (iv) not to enter into acting-in-concert agreements or similar acting-in-concert undertakings with any Shareholders other than Mr. Zhu Yiming.

### MAJOR ACQUISITION

On November 5, 2024, the Company entered into an equity acquisition agreement (the "Equity Acquisition Agreement") with Hefei SCVC, Stony Creek Capital, Hefei Guozheng and all 23 then shareholders of Xysemi (collectively, the "Transferors"), pursuant to which the Company, Hefei SCVC, Stony Creek Capital and Hefei Guozheng agreed to acquire 38.07%, 18.07%, 12.05% and 1.81% of the equity interest in Xysemi from the Transferors at a consideration of RMB316,000,000, RMB150,000,000, RMB100,000,000 and RMB15,000,000, respectively (the "Xysemi Acquisition"). The considerations were determined after arm's length negotiations among the parties with reference to the value of Xysemi as of June 30, 2024 as appraised by an independent valuer. Xysemi is mainly engaged in the research and development, design and sales of analogue chips, which mainly include lithium battery protection chips and power management chips and are applied in various general fields such as mobile batteries and smart wearables.

Stony Creek Capital has issued the Stony Creek Capital Undertaking, pursuant to which it has undertaken that from the closing date of the Xysemi Acquisition and up to the date when Stony Creek Capital no longer holds the equity interest in Xysemi, it voluntarily and irrevocably entrusts all of its shareholder's rights in Xysemi to the Company, including the voting rights and nomination and proposal rights but other than the income rights and disposal rights.

On November 5, 2024, the Company entered into the Xysemi Acting-in-Concert Agreement with Hefei SCVC and Hefei Guozheng, pursuant to which Hefei SCVC and Hefei Guozheng agreed that for five years from the closing date of the Xysemi Acquisition, they will act in concert with the Company when making proposals to or voting at the general meetings of Xysemi on matters in relation to Xysemi. The term of the Xysemi Acting-in-Concert Agreement shall be automatically extended for one year in each successive year until any party gives a notice of termination in writing no later than one month prior to the expiry of the Xysemi Acting-in-Concert Agreement.

On December 12, 2024, Hefei SCVC noticed the parties to the Xysemi Acquisition that, pursuant to the relevant arrangements agreed in the transaction agreements including, among others, the Equity Acquisition Agreement and the Xysemi Acting-in-Concert Agreement, Hefei SCVC has appointed Hefei Guojing to assume all of the rights and obligations of Hefei SCVC under the relevant agreements.

Upon completion of the Xysemi Acquisition on December 18, 2024, the Company is entitled to exercise 70% of the voting rights at the general meetings of Xysemi pursuant to the Stony Creek Capital Undertaking and the Xysemi Acting-in-Concert Agreement, and Xysemi has become a non-wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. As none of the applicable percentage ratios as defined under the Listing Rules in respect of the Xysemi Acquisition exceeds 25%, the pre-acquisition financial information of Xysemi is not required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 4.05A of the Listing Rules.

The Xysemi Acquisition has been properly and legally completed and settled, and all relevant approvals required from the relevant authorities have been obtained.

Save as disclosed above, throughout the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, the Company did not conduct any material acquisitions, mergers or disposals.

# LISTING ON THE SHANGHAI STOCK EXCHANGE AND REASONS FOR THE H SHARE [REDACTED]

Since August 2016, the A Shares of the Company have been listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange. The Directors confirm that, during the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, there had been no instances of material non-compliance of the Company with the applicable rules of the Shanghai Stock Exchange and other applicable PRC securities laws and regulations. To the best knowledge of the Directors, there are no material matters in relation to the compliance record of the Company on the Shanghai Stock Exchange that should be brought to the attention of the Stock Exchange or potential investors of the [REDACTED]. As advised by the PRC Legal Advisor, during the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, the Company has not been subject to any material administrative penalties or regulatory measures imposed by the CSRC, the Shanghai Stock Exchange or other PRC securities regulatory authorities. Based on the independent due diligence conducted by the Joint Sponsors and the PRC Legal Advisor's view above, no material matter has come to the Joint Sponsors' attention that would cause them to disagree with the Directors' confirmation with regard to the compliance records of the Company on the Shanghai Stock Exchange.

The Company seeks to [REDACTED] its H Shares on the Stock Exchange to deepen its strategic layout of globalization, accelerate the development of its overseas business, promote its international brand image and further enhance its core competitiveness. See "Business — Our Strategies" and "Future Plans and Use of [REDACTED]" in this document for more details.

### **PUBLIC FLOAT**

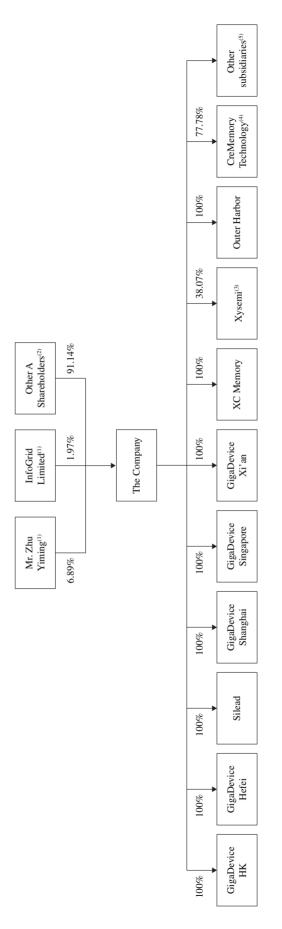
Pursuant to Rules 8.08(1)(b) and 19A.13A of the Listing Rules, as the Company has Shares apart from the H Shares for which the [**REDACTED**] is sought, the total securities of the Company held by the public (on all regulated markets including the Stock Exchange) at the time of the [**REDACTED**] must be at least 25% of the Company's total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares), and the H Shares for which the [**REDACTED**] is sought must represent at least 15% of the Company's total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares).

It is expected that upon the [REDACTED], at least 25% of the Company's total number of issued Shares (A Shares and H Shares in aggregate) will be held by the public. Further, the total number of the H Shares of the Company upon the [REDACTED] is expected to represent [REDACTED]% of the total number of issued Shares of the Company (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans). [REDACTED]

# CORPORATE STRUCTURE

# Corporate Structure Immediately Before the [REDACTED]

The following chart sets forth the shareholding and corporate structure of the Group immediately before the [REDACTED]:



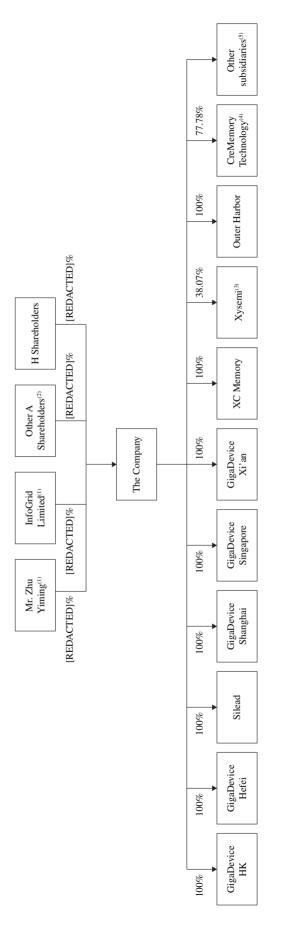
# Notes:

- was held by 13 other shareholders, each an Independent Third Party. InfoGrid Limited has issued the Acting-in-Concert Undertaking, pursuant to which InfoGrid Limited has As of the Latest Practicable Date, InfoGrid Limited was held as to 82.82% by Mr. Shu Qingming, an Independent Third Party. The remaining equity interest in InfoGrid Limited undertaken, among others, to act in concert with Mr. Zhu Yiming when voting at general meetings of the Company. See "— Acting-in-Concert Undertaking" in this section for details.  $\Xi$
- As of the Latest Practicable Date, 603,020 A Shares were held by the Company as treasury shares, which did not carry any Shareholders' rights, including but not limited to voting rights at the Shareholders' meeting and dividend rights. 6

- As of the Latest Practicable Date, the remaining equity interest in Xysemi was held as to 18.07% by Hefei Guojing, 14.32% by Jian Tan (譚健), 12.13% by Yanting Yang (楊 轉學, 12.05% by Stony Creek Capital, 1.81% by Hefei Guozheng, 0.63% by Jiang Jinmao (蔣錦茂), 0.53% by Miao Miao (繆苗), 0.43% by Zhang Yijian (張以見), 0.41% by Chen Fushun (陳福順), 0.35% by Li Fuping (李福平), 0.29% by Wang Haiyan (王海艷), 0.28% by Jia Peng (賈鵬), 0.24% by Liu Yunxia (劉雲貫), 0.17% by Suzhou Saichi best knowledge of the Company, each of the aforementioned shareholders of Xysemi is an Independent Third Party. The Company is entitled to exercise 70% of the voting rights at the general meetings of Xysemi pursuant to the Stony Creek Capital Undertaking and the Xysemi Acting-in-Concert Agreement. See "— Major Acquisition" above for details. Information Consulting Partnership (Limited Partnership) (蘇州賽馳信息諮詢合夥企業(有限合夥)), 0.14% by Xu Liuquan (許柳全) and 0.07% by Li Xiaodong (李曉東). (3)
- As of the Latest Practicable Date, the remaining equity interest in CreMemory Technology was held as to 8.33% by Beijing CreMemory Zhifan Enterprise Management Partnership (比mited Partnership) (北京青耘智帆企業管理合夥企業(有限合夥), "CreMemory Zhifan"), 8.33% by Beijing CreMemory Zhiling Enterprise Management Partnership (Limited Partnership) (北京青耘智凌企業管理合夥企業(有限合夥), "CreMemory Zhiling") and 5.56% by Beijing CreMemory Zhikuo Enterprise Management Partnership (Limited Partnership) (北京青耘智闊企業管理合夥企業(有限合夥), "CreMemory Zhikuo"). Mr. Hu Hong is the general partner of each of CreMemory Zhifan, CreMemory Zhiling and CreMemory Zhikuo. 4
- Other subsidiaries include over 20 subsidiaries established in various jurisdictions as of the Latest Practicable Date. (5)

# Corporate Structure Immediately After the [REDACTED]

The following chart sets forth the shareholding and corporate structure of the Group immediately after the completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans):



Notes:

See "— Corporate Structure — Corporate Structure Immediately Before the [REDACTED]" in this section. (1) to (5)

### **OVERVIEW**

### **Our Mission**

Technological innovation to empower a better life.

### **Our Vision**

Becoming an excellent world-class technology company.

### Who We Are

We are a globally leading IC design house for a diverse range of chips. We provide customers with a wide range of chips, including Flash, niche DRAM, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips, as well as a complete set of systems and solutions, including corresponding algorithms and software. We implement a fabless business model, focusing on IC design and R&D to maintain our technological leadership.

With continuous innovation, excellent supply chain management, a strict quality control system and rapid customer response capabilities, we have formed a positive cycle of "innovation — product — customer" and have always maintained our industry-leading position. Meanwhile, thanks to our diverse product portfolio, we continue to explore market demands with high-quality customers across the globe, complete product definition, and provide the optimal "Sense, Memory, Compute, Control and Connectivity" (感存算控建) synergistic ecological solutions for consumer electronics, automobiles, industrial applications, PC and servers, IoT, network communications and other fields to meet various demands. Looking ahead, with the development of AI, we aim to build on our existing advantages and capture the growth opportunities brought by emerging demands in the AI field.

Founded in 2005, we have been deeply involved in the specialty memory chip industry for 20 years and the MCU field for 14 years. We have become a leading specialty memory chip and MCU company in mainland China and have created specialty memory chip and MCU brands with global influence. We always focus on value creation for customers and have formed a stable and prosperous global cooperation ecosystem. According to Frost & Sullivan, in terms of sales in 2024, we are the market leader in various fields and are the only IC design house that ranks top 10 globally in all NOR Flash, SLC NAND Flash, niche DRAM and MCU. In particular:

- NOR Flash. We ranked second globally and first in mainland China.
- SLC NAND Flash. We ranked sixth globally and first in mainland China.
- Niche DRAM. We ranked seventh globally and second in mainland China.
- *MCU*. We ranked eighth globally and first in mainland China.
- Fingerprint sensor chip. We ranked second in mainland China.

### **Our Business**

As a globally leading IC design house for a diverse range of chips, we possess robust design capabilities for four major types of chips: specialty memory chips, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips. This forms the foundation of our "Sense, Memory, Compute, Control and Connectivity" synergistic ecological solutions. Due to the outstanding performance and state-of-the-art technology, our proprietary chips and innovative solutions are widely applied in various smart devices, exhibiting vast future prospects.

### Specialty Memory Chips: Rich Product Portfolio with Industry Breakthroughs

Our specialty memory chips include three product lines: NOR Flash, NAND Flash and niche DRAM, forming a broad matrix of advanced products that can meet customers' demands for capacity, voltage and packaging for different applications. We have achieved full-category coverage in consumer electronics, industrial applications, communications, automotive electronics and other fields.

Our NOR Flash holds a globally leading market position. According to Frost & Sullivan, in terms of sales in 2024, we ranked second globally and first in mainland China, with a market share of 18.5%. In 2019, we launched the first ultra-high-speed 8-channel SPI NOR Flash product in mainland China. The data throughput rate was around five times compared to that of the then existing products, making it one of the highest-performance NOR Flash products in the industry at that time. In 2020, we were the first in mainland China to roll out high-performance SPI NOR Flash with a capacity of up to 2Gb. This made us the first mainland China-based company to achieve full product line coverage from 512Kb to 2Gb. In 2024, we launched the first low-power series SPI NOR Flash in mainland China, with 1.2V low voltage and ultra-low power mode, significantly improving the endurance of small-capacity battery devices. In 2025, we were one of the first movers to achieve large-scale mass production of 45nm node SPI NOR Flash with a significant improvement in storage density, and continued to maintain technological and market leadership. For NAND Flash, we focus on SLC NAND Flash, which features high efficiency, high reliability and low power consumption. They are mainly designed for industrial control, automotive electronics, communications equipment and other application scenarios that have strict requirements on duration, stability and reliability.

Our niche DRAM includes DDR3L/DDR4/LPDDR4, which feature low power consumption and small size. They are mainly used in various fields such as set-top boxes, TVs, network communications, smart home devices, smart wearables and infotainment systems. According to Frost & Sullivan, with our strong supply chain capabilities, the growth of our share in the global niche DRAM market is accelerating. The rise of edge-AI demand has put forward new requirements for customized memory solutions. We endeavor to provide customers with more customized memory solutions in terms of performance and energy consumption, ultimately reshaping the new form of edge storage. In July 2024, we established a subsidiary, CreMemory Technology, to keep abreast of customer needs and actively explore new technologies, new businesses, new markets and new products, including customized memory solutions.

### MCU: Building an "MCU Department Store" with a Broad Range of Products

As the leader in MCU products in China, we focus on 32-bit general-purpose MCU based on ARM® and RISC-V structures. We provide MCU featuring high performance, low power consumption and a high cost-to-performance ratio. Our MCU supports a wide range of applications, including industrial applications (such as automation, energy and power and medical equipment), consumer electronics and handheld devices, automotive electronics (such as car navigation, T-BOX, instrument and infotainment systems) and computing. According to Frost & Sullivan, we are the world's first company to launch and mass-produce 32-bit general-purpose MCU based on the RISC-V structure and the first company based in mainland China to launch the high-performance MCU based on the Arm® Cortex®-M7 architecture.

We continue to evolve the "MCU Department Store" concept. Based on the existing 63 series and more than 700 products, we endeavor to further improve R&D and engineering efficiency and continue to broaden our product lines. With years of technology accumulation and market leadership, we aim to accelerate the development of core technologies and continue to deepen our presence in the industrial applications, automobile and other fields. Relying on flexible customization and rapid customer response capabilities, we have stridden towards the global mid- and high-end markets.

### Analog and Sensor Chips: Organic Growth Combined with Strategic Acquisition

We primarily offer analog chips for general power supplies (such as DC-DC and LDO), special power supplies (such as headphone charging box power supplies and sweeping robot power supplies), motor drive products, and temperature and humidity sensors. In 2024, we acquired Xysemi, a leading company in the lithium battery protection sector, to create strategic synergies with our own analog chips business in terms of technology, products, marketing, sales and supply chain. Our sensor chip offering mainly includes fingerprint recognition chips and touch sensor chips. We aim to continue to promote product optimization and upgrading and further expand our product portfolio in PC, wearable, mobile health, IoT and other fields.

Based on our four key product offerings and industry insights, we have built a diversified product portfolio that forms the foundation of our "Sense, Memory, Compute, Control and Connectivity" synergistic ecological solutions. This enables us to quickly respond to customers' needs, further enhance customer stickiness and improve our overall competitiveness and brand influence.



### **Our Market Opportunities**

Edge AI is growing exponentially as the AI era arrives. According to Frost & Sullivan, 2025 is considered the inaugural annum of the edge computing power explosion epoch. Edge computing broadens the scope of AI applications, converting conventional devices into intelligent terminals endowed with autonomous decision-making capabilities, and further catalyzing the comprehensive evolution of core industries such as consumer electronics, industrial applications, automotive and humanoid robotics into the AI domain. This transformation in industry trend has brought historic development opportunities to industry players. Our "Sense, Memory, Compute, Control and Connectivity" synergistic ecological solutions position us well to benefit from the trend.

Consumer electronics. The incorporation of AI features is the pivotal force driving
the upgrade of consumer electronics. Consumer electronics companies are actively
developing ecosystems of edge-AI devices to drive the enhancement of AI
smartphones and AI PC and broaden the applications of AI to wearables such as
TWS earbuds and AR/VR/XR devices. According to Frost & Sullivan, by 2029,

global shipment volume of AI smartphones is expected to reach 774.0 million units with a penetration rate of 54.0%. Meanwhile, the global shipment volume of AI PC is expected to reach 215.3 million units, making AI PC the dominant force in the PC sector. Edge AI devices integrate local computational power, immediate response time, and privacy protection instead of relying on the cloud-based substantial computational power. Our NOR Flash is a key component supporting the rapid responsiveness of devices, particularly those with AI functionalities, due to its features of high-speed reading, power-off data retention and high reliability. Our customized memory solutions can meet customers' needs in terms of performance and power consumption. Our MCU can potentially be the hardware-level cornerstone of wearables such as AI glasses due to their high energy efficiency and high integration that leads to smaller sizes. As the penetration rate of AI in consumer terminals increases, our NOR Flash, customized memory solutions, MCU and other product lines are expected to experience significant growth.

- Industrial applications. AI reconstructs the production, management and service chains in industrial setups through the integration of intelligent algorithms, big data analytics and automation technologies, making industry more efficient, more flexible, more intelligent and greener. According to Frost & Sullivan, the evolution of technology has raised the bar for the real-time reaction, data throughput and independent decision-making features of industrial equipment, all necessitating the extensive application of semiconductors such as MCU with high performance and high reliability to achieve the dual goals of high-precision control and intelligent interaction. Our high-performance MCU supports real-time AI inference capabilities, utilizing deep convolutional neural network algorithms. They have been widely applied in scenarios such as large-scale industrial energy storage BMS and AI-based DC arc detection in the digital energy sector.
- Automotive. As automotive electronics technology evolves rapidly, automotive chips have emerged as crucial factors in achieving intelligent vehicle systems and superior performance efficiency. According to Frost & Sullivan, the penetration rate of EV and smart cars is expected to increase from 20.6% and 57.7% in 2024 to 39.7% and 92.4% in 2029, respectively. As the automotive industry embraces electrification and smart technologies, there has been a significant uptick in the demand for MCU, NOR Flash and niche DRAM, which in turn propels the market demand for our automotive-grade chips.
- Embodied AI. The market for embodied AI remains at a nascent stage but is expected to have strong growth potential. According to Frost & Sullivan, embodied AI is expected to become the third major growth driver for semiconductor end markets, following smartphones and automobiles. It relies heavily on memory chips with high reliability and low latency, while robotic joint control involves extensive and complex deployment of MCU. These trends are expected to create significant growth potential for specialty memory chips and MCU.

Looking ahead, as the penetration rate of various edge AI devices increases, industry players with diversified product portfolio and comprehensive service capabilities will claim the high ground in the competition. With our diversified product portfolio and "Sense, Memory, Compute, Control and Connectivity" synergistic ecological solutions, we are able to rapidly respond to customers' needs and tap into various application scenarios. This endows us with the vantage point in capturing the significant growth potential brought by the AI revolution.

### **OUR STRENGTHS**

We believe the following advantages position us well to seize future industry opportunities and achieve sustained growth.

### Global Leadership in a Diverse Range of Chip Design

We are a globally leading IC design house for a diverse range of chips. We have achieved a leading market position with each of our major product lines. According to Frost & Sullivan, in terms of sales in 2024, we are the market leader in various fields and are the only IC design house that ranks top 10 globally in all NOR Flash, SLC NAND Flash, niche DRAM and MCU. In particular, we ranked second globally and first in mainland China in terms of NOR Flash, sixth globally and first in mainland China in terms of SLC NAND Flash, seventh globally and second in mainland China in terms of niche DRAM, eighth globally and first in mainland China in terms of MCU, and second in mainland China in terms of fingerprint sensor chips.

Over the years, we have achieved remarkable accomplishments across various business areas. Our key achievements include the following:

- In 2008, we successfully developed the first 8Mb SPI NOR Flash chip in mainland China, filling a domestic technology gap and breaking monopolies by foreign and Taiwan-based companies in this field.
- In 2019, we launched and mass-produced the world's first 32-bit general-purpose MCU product based on a RISC-V architecture.
- In 2020, we were the first company based in mainland China to roll out high-performance SPI NOR Flash with a capacity of up to 2Gb, which became the preferred solution for code storage in IoT devices.
- In 2022, we were the first company based in mainland China to launch 1.2V low-voltage, ultra-low-power consumer-grade SPI NOR Flash, which significantly reduces operating power consumption and effectively extends device battery life. It meets the industry's evolving requirements for lower voltage and lower power consumption associated with advanced controller processes.

- In 2023, we were the first company based in mainland China to launch high-performance MCU based on the Arm® Cortex®-M7 architecture.
- In 2025, we were one of the first movers to achieve large-scale mass production of 45nm node SPI NOR Flash with a significant improvement in storage density, and continued to maintain technological and market leadership.

We believe that R&D and technological innovation are critical to maintaining the various leading positions we achieved. We possess strong R&D capabilities and have devoted substantial resources to R&D efforts. From 2022 to 2024, our cumulative R&D investment amounted to approximately RMB3.4 billion, and our R&D spending has continued to grow steadily. As of December 31, 2024, we had 1,540 experienced technical employees, accounting for 73.8% of our total number of employees as of the same date. As of December 31, 2024, approximately 56.5% of our employees held a master's degree or above. This R&D talent pool provides a solid foundation for product iteration and the continuous upgrading of integrated product solutions. We held 997 registered patents in mainland China as of December 31, 2024, making us one of the largest patent portfolio among IC design houses in China's memory and MCU sectors, according to Frost & Sullivan.

# Diversification Strategy and Multi-track Growth Underpinning Stable and Sustainable Operations

We have consistently pursued a strategy of diversification and multi-track growth in both product portfolio planning and downstream application expansion. Our business is divided into three groups — mature, growth and incubating — with tailored development roadmaps and performance targets for each. By allocating resources flexibly and orchestrating staggered ramp-up and peak-growth phases across different businesses and application areas, we effectively manage industry cyclical risks and underpin our stable and sustainable operations.

• Business front: Multi-track and Diversified Product Portfolio Strategy. Building on our strengths in the Flash sector, we have continuously rolled out new product lines in the MCU, niche DRAM, analog chips and sensor chips fields. In addition, we have accelerated the development of new businesses through initiatives such as strategic acquisition and internal incubation. Our diversified product portfolio is designed to reinforce our system-level technological foundation. Leveraging synergies between products and applications, we aim to achieve system-level integration and coordination. Centered on system control, we integrate surrounding components such as memory, sensing, power and signal chain to deliver comprehensive solutions built around product portfolios, driving holistic and sustainable growth.

• Application Front: Continuous Expansion into New Application Scenarios. We have steadily broadened the application scenarios of our chips from the consumer electronics sector to industrial and automotive sectors. Our downstream application scenarios now encompass industrial applications, automotive, and consumer electronics (such as wearable devices, smartwatches, TWS earphones and home appliances), as well as networking and communications (including wireless routers, base stations and optical modules), PC and servers and the IoT. This has enabled us to achieve extensive coverage across a wide range of product applications.

## A Stable and Thriving Global Partnership Ecosystem and an Increasingly Deepened Global Presence

As a fabless IC design house, we have built a stable and thriving system on the three pillars below:

- Large and Loyal High-Quality Customer Base. We adopt a market strategy that combines direct sales and distributorship to maximize sales efficiency. For direct sales, leveraging our industry-leading technology and diversified product portfolio and comprehensive solutions, we have established deep cooperation with leading global customers, continuously enhancing our technological capabilities and industry insights, and building strong global brand recognition. For distributorship, we expand our customer base client through an extensive and high-quality distributor network. During the Track Record Period, we served around 10,000 clients in aggregate across the globe.
- Extensive and Deep Supply Chain Collaboration. We integrate the diverse product and application requirements of downstream customers and have formed mutually beneficial, trusted and collaborative relationships with 11 quality foundries and 26 OSAT providers. This has established our key competitive advantages in the industry chain: (i) beyond IC design, we dedicate resources to jointly develop optimized production processes with foundries tailored for our products, collaboratively establishing Design for Manufacturability (DFM) and Design for Reliability (DFR) rules suitable for our products, resulting in strong integration capabilities between process design and manufacturing; (ii) through sharing industry insights, technical exchanges and collaborative custom development, we contribute to upstream industry advancements in areas such as chip architecture upgrades, process technology evolution and innovation, securing preferential and comprehensive support from the supply chain; and (iii) we have strategically developed both domestic and overseas global supply chain systems to meet the demands of customers across the globe, ensuring supply chain resilience.

• Increasingly Deepened Global Presence. We are committed to expanding our business globally. We have established a global sales network comprising distributors and representatives in over 40 countries or regions. In addition to product sales, we have established dedicated service networks in the United States, South Korea, Japan, the United Kingdom, Germany and Singapore to ensure service responsiveness. We have also expanded our overseas supply chain partnerships to enable high-quality and efficient delivery. Furthermore, we have built an international team composed of sales and marketing personnel and engineers to provide localized services and support our sales and service network. This team excels at gathering and responding to the latest market information, ensuring timely responses to customer needs.

# **Exceptional Supply Chain and Service Capabilities, Enabling Efficient and High-quality Delivery**

We have established exceptional supply chain capabilities, along with a rigorous quality management system. Additionally, we have built a global service network to ensure timely support and enable large-scale, efficient and high-quality delivery.

- Outstanding and Reliable Product Quality. Flash and MCU are key components in electronic devices. Any failure could lead to severe consequences such as system startup failures. Hence, the reliability and quality of these chips are the primary criteria for customer evaluation and key to our business sustainability. We implement rigorous quality management processes covering our entire business to safeguard customer interests at every stage.
- Comprehensive Quality Management and Certification System. We have been certified under ISO 9001. For automotive quality management, we comply with the IATF 16949 standard to meet stringent automotive application requirements and have obtained the ISO 26262:2018 certification for automotive functional safety at the highest ASIL D level.

# Visionary Management Team and an Engineer Culture Surrounding Continuous Innovation

Our management team possesses extensive industry experience and a global perspective, working collaboratively to drive the company's strategic vision. Our founder, Chairman and Executive Director, Mr. Zhu Yiming, is an exceptional leader in the memory chip industry, with extensive influence in the industry. Our vice Chairman, Executive Director and President, Mr. He Wei, is a seasoned expert in the IC industry, formerly serving at SMIC. Mr. He Wei joined us in 2009 and has served in various roles including deputy general manager, acting general manager and general manager. Our Executive Director and vice President, Mr. Hu Hong, a seasoned expert in memory chips, has held multiple positions including engineer, department manager, director and division head, leading the development of several product lines with deep expertise in IC design and testing. Our highly stable management team members average

over 15 years of industry experience, combining diverse professional backgrounds with rich corporate management expertise. They possess profound insights into global industry trends and customer needs. The management team also includes seasoned professionals from leading global technology companies, playing a pivotal role in maintaining our innovative edge and technological proficiency.

We uphold a pragmatic spirit and embody the corporate values of "excellence, teamwork, open innovation, goal-driven, integrity and accountability." Prioritizing talent, we have established comprehensive systems for training, motivation and promotion, cultivating a diverse, young and creative management team. Our strong cultural foundation and unwavering commitment to mission fulfillment continue to propel us forward with great momentum.

### **OUR STRATEGIES**

Our mission is "Technological innovation to empower a better life," and we are committed to becoming an excellent world-class technology company. To achieve this goal, we will implement the following strategies.

### Fully Embrace AI to Seize the Unprecedented Opportunities in Industry Development

According to Frost & Sullivan, AI development is driving the expansion of demand in the semiconductor industry. Both globally and within China, AI development has entered a new phase of accelerated penetration. As more AI-powered end products emerge and become widespread, AI is expected to serve as the core driver and powerful engine of the growth of the industry. We will adopt AI as a strategic driver, integrating it throughout our "Product — Ecosystem — Efficiency Enhancement" triad strategy, detailed as follows:

- AI Product Innovation. We aim to closely follow the evolving market demands driven by AI's penetration into intelligent devices. Through both organic growth and strategic expansion, we plan to proactively develop frontier technologies and products that are widely applied in edge AI, such as MCU, SoC, customized memory solutions and connectivity, thereby fully capitalizing on the unprecedented opportunities brought by AI development.
- AI Ecosystem Expansion. We aim to continuously enhance our AI-related ecosystem through internal incubation, investments, mergers and acquisitions, customized services and collaborative development. By working closely with upstream and downstream partners, we plan to jointly build a robust AI ecosystem, further strengthen customer loyalty and establish strong ecosystem barriers.

• AI-Driven Platform Efficiency. We aim to empower various internal departments with general AI technologies by developing AI middle platforms across R&D, supply chain, marketing and other functions. This comprehensive approach aims to enhance operational efficiency, enable advanced data analytics and intelligent decision-making, and support the company's medium- to long-term growth.

# Advancing Technological Innovation, Broadening Product Portfolio and Expanding into Emerging Fields

Building on our four core business lines, including specialty memory chip, MCU, analog chip and sensor chip, we aim to further our R&D efforts, expand our product portfolio and enrich our solutions. We remain committed to a market share-focused growth strategy, consolidating our positions in consumer electronics, networking communications, computing and smart home sectors, while further expanding and deepening our presence in industrial, automotive and embodied AI markets to drive higher market share across all business units.

- Consumer electronics. We aim to continue to innovate and iterate our products and
  further solidate our leading position in the consumer electronics market. Leveraging
  the industry trend of AI integration in consumer electronics, we aim to meet
  customer demands for AI smartphones, AI PC, AI earphones and other intelligent
  devices that require greater code capacity, higher computing power and enhanced
  data processing capabilities.
- Industrial applications. The domestic industrial market is currently dominated by global giants. We aim to deepen our presence by investing resources and technology to expand our product portfolio and enhance competitiveness, consistently launching products that meet customer requirements and align with the future trend of industrial intelligence.
- Automotive. In view of the high entry barriers and lengthy R&D cycles in the automotive industry, we aim to maintain our strategic commitment to this sector. In particular, we plan to accelerate product development and launches while refining automotive chip technologies and products. Meanwhile, we plan to expedite the adoption of our products by end customers.
- *Embodied AI*. Building on our extensive experience in the industrial field, we will focus on "high performance + high reliability" products. In particular, we aim to deliver integrated core control system solutions for humanoid robots.

Pursuing External Growth Through Strategic and Industry-related Partnerships, Investments and Acquisitions.

Alongside organic growth, we aim to continue to selectively pursue strategic partnerships, investments and acquisitions in both mainland China and overseas that can enhance our overall competitiveness and fuel our sustainable growth. With an open mindset and strategic vision, we plan to coordinate both organic and external growth strategies, comprehensively enhance our overall capabilities, and lay a solid foundation for sustainable development.

- Strategic incubation and collaboration. We plan to focus on strategic incubation and partnership opportunities in emerging technologies, new fields, innovative products and outstanding teams. Through resource integration and collaborative innovation, we aim to expand new business frontiers and enhance our innovation capabilities and market influence within the industry.
- Investment focus. We plan to focus on strategic areas such as AI, analog, high-speed interfaces, automotive-grade chips and MCU, with targeted investments in projects that demonstrate high growth potential and strong technical barriers. Through these investments, we aim to gain a competitive edge in key sectors, strengthen our technological reserves and enhance our industry competitiveness.
- Acquisition plan. We plan to seize the consolidation window in the semiconductor
  industry and closely monitor high-quality targets. Through strategic acquisitions, we
  aim to acquire technology, market presence and customer resources, driving
  leapfrog growth in our scale and market share, and achieving an organic integration
  of external expansion and internal development.

### Accelerate Our Globalization to Build a World-Class Technology Brand.

Overseas markets offer us abundant growth opportunities. We aim to continue to advance our global footprint, align with the needs of customers worldwide, enhance our localized service capabilities and strengthen the integrated capabilities across supply chain, sales, R&D, supply and service.

- Accelerate the Establishment of the Overseas Headquarter: We plan to expedite our globalization by developing our overseas headquarter in Singapore, expanding in the overseas market, integrating global resources and enhancing our brand recognition worldwide.
- Enhance Global Supply Chain Capabilities: Leveraging our fabless model, we plan to continue to build and optimize our global supply chain and enhance supply chain resilience, so as to cover the manufacturing of our mainstream products both in mainland China and overseas.

• Improve Global Sales and Service Network: We plan to further expand our sales and service networks in countries including the United States, South Korea, Japan, the United Kingdom, Germany and Singapore. Through deep collaboration between localized teams and channel partners, we aim to provide customers with rapid response and customized services.

### Further Our Global Top Talent Strategy to Energize Organizational Vitality

We believe that talent is the key driver of innovation and the foundation for sustaining competitive edges. We place great emphasis on attracting and nurturing outstanding talent, actively implementing a strategy to rejuvenate our management ranks. This has enabled us to assemble an elite team of dynamic, self-challenging and continuously improving talents in the semiconductor field. We plan to further enrich our talent pool and invigorate our organization through global recruitment, strategic talent development and enhanced incentive mechanisms. In particular, we plan to further execute our successful talent strategies as follow:

- Global Recruitment. We plan to attract industry elites worldwide through open recruitment, cultivate new talent through campus hiring and build a multi-tiered talent pipeline utilizing flexible and diverse approaches.
- Talent Development. We plan to optimize strategic talent development programs and
  establish differentiated career training systems tailored to specific roles to empower
  key talents across all areas.
- *Talent Incentives.* We plan to enhance our performance evaluation, promotion and incentive systems to fully unleash our team's potential and creativities.

### **EVOLUTION OF OUR BUSINESS**

Founded in 2005 with a strategic focus on NOR Flash, we have since then established a global leadership position in this market through continuous technological innovation and proven product reliability. Building on our early success and guided by our market-oriented product strategy, we have expanded our product offerings to encompass a broader range of specialty memory chips including NAND Flash and niche DRAM, as well as MCU, analog chips and sensor chips, thereby establishing the "Sense, Memory, Compute, Control and Connectivity" synergistic ecological solutions. This gives us the vantage position to support the next generation of intelligent applications, including various AI-driven technologies, and to seize the significant growth potentials.

We have adopted a fabless business model since our inception to concentrate our resources on chip design, platform development and market-oriented innovation, while partnering with quality foundries and OSAT partners to ensure manufacturing excellence and scalability and high-quality products.

### **OUR PRODUCTS**

Our diversified product portfolio includes specialty memory chips, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips. Within each product category, we offer multiple series with different specifications to meet the specific performance and functional requirements of different application scenarios. While our products are primarily designed for general-purpose application, we also provide customized solutions to address specialized customer needs. Moreover, leveraging our strong R&D capabilities and extensive IP portfolio, we also provide technical services and license select IPs to third parties, further extending our influence across the industry. This diversified product portfolio enables us to serve a wide spectrum of end markets, including consumer electronics, automobiles, industry, PC and servers, IoT, network communications and other fields.

The table below sets forth our revenue by product during the years indicated.

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2022		2023		2024	
	(in RMB thousands, except for percentages)					
Specialty memory chips .	4,825,856	59.3%	4,077,311	70.8%	5,194,173	70.6%
MCU	2,825,357	34.8%	1,312,209	22.8%	1,690,547	23.0%
Sensor chips	434,974	5.4%	352,449	6.1%	448,300	6.1%
Analog chips	3,851	0.0%	4,604	0.1%	15,468	0.2%
$Others^{(1)}\dots\dots\dots$	39,954	0.5%	14,250	0.2%	7,490	0.1%
Total	8,129,992	<u>100.0</u> %	5,760,823	$\underline{100.0\%}$	7,355,978	$\underline{100.0\%}$

Note:

### **Specialty Memory Chips**

Our specialty memory chips include Flash and niche DRAM.

### Flash

Flash is a major type of non-volatile memory technology, which can retain data over a long term. Our Flash memory chips primarily include NOR Flash and SLC NAND Flash. Our Flash memory chips are designed for general-purpose uses, which can be customized upon special requirements from our customers.

<sup>(1)</sup> Including technical services and license fees for our IPs.

NOR Flash

NOR Flash allows random access to data, enabling fast and reliable code execution directly from the memory, making it widely used in embedded systems that require frequent and fast access to executable code. We focus on the mainstream SPI NOR Flash due to its advantages in relatively lower cost, compact size, easier integration for space- and power-sensitive applications, and growing adoption in applications such as embedded systems and small-size wearables, as compared to parallel NOR Flash.

In response to different market application needs, we provide diversified series of industrial-grade and automotive-grade SPI NOR Flash, featuring high-performance, low-power, high-reliability and small-package options, and have achieved full product line coverage of SPI NOR Flash across sectors including consumer electronics, industrial applications, communications and automotive electronics. Our current SPI NOR Flash offerings can work under a wide range of power supply, operating environments and end applications. In particular, our GD25/55 series SPI NOR Flash is certified to meet the AEC-Q100 automotive standards and the ISO 26262:2018 ASIL D standard for functional safety and reliability. According to Frost & Sullivan, we were the first company based in mainland China to introduce a high-performance SPI NOR Flash product series with capacities reaching up to 2Gb and a comprehensive product portfolio of SPI NOR Flash ranging from 512Kb to 2Gb. The table below sets forth the main features of our SPI NOR Flash.

Voltage	3V	1.8V	1.65V - 3.6V	1.2V	1.8V VCC, 1.2V VIO
Capacity	512Kb~2Gb	512Kb~2Gb	512Kb~256Mb	8Mb~256Mb	64Mb~512Mb
Speed	104MHz~200MHz	50MHz~200MHz	50MHz~104MHz	120MHz	133MHz~200MHz
Operating temperature					
range	-40°C~125°C	-40°C~125°C	-40°C~125°C	-40°C~125°C	-40°C~125°C

### NAND Flash

NAND Flash offers large storage capacity, fast erase/write speeds and long lifespan, making it suitable for a wide range of large-capacity storage applications. Strategically, we focus on SLC NAND Flash, featuring smaller capacities but higher reliability and endurance as compared with MLC and TLC NAND Flash. Our SLC NAND is an ideal solution for embedded applications with large-capacity and highly reliable code storage requirements. Our automotive-grade NAND Flash products, when paired with our automotive-grade NOR Flash, are widely adopted in intelligent cockpits, autonomous driving systems, intelligent connectivity and powertrains of electric vehicles. In particular, our GD5F series of automotive-grade SPI NAND Flash is certified to meet the AEC-Q100 automotive standard for functional reliability. The table below sets forth the main features of our NAND Flash.

Interface type	SI	PI	Parallel		
Voltage	3V	1.8V	3V	1.8V	
Capacity	1Gb~4Gb	1Gb~4Gb	1Gb~8Gb	1Gb~8Gb	
Speed	Frequency:	Frequency:	tRC/tWC:	tRC/tWC:	
Operating temperature range	104MHz~166MHz -40°C~105°C	80MHz~133MHz -40°C~105°C	12ns~20ns -40°C~105°C	20ns~25ns -40°C~105°C	

## **DRAM**

DRAM is the major type of volatile memory, which is a key component of system memory. We focus on niche DRAM, which is designed for applications with specific requirements for performance, reliability or operating environments, as opposed to mass-produced commodity DRAM. Our niche DRAM offering includes DDR3L, DDR4 and LPDDR4, with various capacity options. These products feature low power consumption and compact size, and are primarily used in set-top boxes, televisions, network communications, smart homes, wearable devices and infotainment systems. The table below sets forth the main features of our niche DRAM.

	DDR3L	DDR4	LPDDR4
Capacity	1Gb/2Gb/4Gb/8Gb 1866/2133Mbps -40°C~95°C	4Gb/8Gb 2666/3200Mbps -40°C~95°C	16Gb/32Gb 3200/3733/4266Mbps -25°C~85°C
Major applications	<ul> <li>network communication</li> <li>security surveillance</li> <li>set-top boxes</li> <li>smart homes</li> <li>industrial applications</li> <li>infotainment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>television</li> <li>security surveillance</li> <li>network communication</li> <li>smart homes</li> <li>industrial applications</li> <li>tablets</li> <li>infotainment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>television</li> <li>tablets</li> <li>smart homes</li> <li>smart wearables</li> <li>mobile modules</li> <li>IoT</li> <li>8K IPTV</li> </ul>

### **MCU**

MCU is a compact IC that combines a scaled-down version of a CPU with memory, timers and other functional circuits on a single chip. It enables control solutions tailored to various application scenarios including industrial applications, medical equipment, consumer electronics, handheld devices, humanoid robots, automotive electronics and computing applications. We focus on 32-bit general-purpose MCU based on ARM® and RISC-V architectures, offering a balance of high performance, low power consumption and costeffectiveness. We launched our general-purpose MCU, GD32, in 2013 based on ARM® Cortex®-M3, making us the first in mainland China to offer MCU based on ARM® Cortex®-M architecture. In 2023, we launched the high-performance MCU based on ARM® Cortex®-M7 architecture, which is able to be used in entry-level AI applications, making us the first company based in mainland China to offer MCU based on such architecture. We also offer wireless MCU suitable for market applications requiring efficient wireless communication. Aiming to build the "MCU Department Store", we have launched 63 series with more than 700 products of MCU based on ARM® Cortex®- M architectures, as well as RISC-V architecture. Our MCU are fully compatible with a wide range of high-, mid- and low-end embedded control applications and upgrade needs. With years of market validation, our GD32 MCU have become a reliable and widely adopted option for system design and project development. The table below sets forth our MCU portfolio layout in different application scenarios.

	Cortex® - M23	Cortex® - M3	Cortex® - M4	Cortex® - M33	Cortex® - M7	RISC-V MCU
High-performance		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	
Mainstream		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\checkmark$		$\sqrt{}$
Entry level	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$			
Low power consumption .	$\sqrt{}$					
Wireless				$\checkmark$		$\sqrt{}$
Automotive-grade			$\sqrt{}$	$\checkmark$	$\sqrt{}$	
Specialized	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		

# **Analog Chips**

Analog chips are primarily responsible for power conversion as well as signal acquisition and conditioning. Our analog chips portfolio currently consists of five key product lines: power management, motor drivers, battery management, signal chain and ASIC. These products are widely deployed in a range of applications, including earbud charging cases, motor control systems, lithium-ion battery charge/discharge management, wireless communication equipment and power measurement and monitoring. Paired with our GD32 MCU, our analog chips have been integrated in multiple solution platforms such as AI arc detection solutions and robotic vacuum cleaners, thereby creating synergy in both established and emerging vertical markets. Our analog products have gained strong recognition from leading manufacturers for their high performance and reliability.

- Power management. Power management chips are designed to manage the power requirements of electronic systems. We provide general-purpose power management chips, mainly including DC-DC converters and linear regulators, which provide reliable power supply solutions for a wide range of applications, including wireless infrastructure, communications, industrial equipment, security systems, smart wearables and the IoT.
- Motor driver. Motor driver chips are designed to control and drive motors by
  managing power delivery and directional control. We provide general-purpose motor
  driver chips that are applicable to drive DC motors, stepper motors, solenoid motors,
  electromagnetic valves and TECs (thermoelectric coolers), covering industrial
  control, smart devices and consumer electronics application scenarios.
- Battery management. Battery management chips are designed to monitor, protect, and optimize the performance of battery-powered systems. We mainly provide general purpose battery charging chips, lithium-ion battery protection chips and lithium-ion battery management chips.
- Signal chain. Signal chain chips are designed to process and condition signals in a variety of electronic systems. We provide general-purpose ADC, operational amplifiers, comparators, voltage reference ICs, current-sensing operational amplifiers, and temperature and humidity detectors, which are applicable in various fields such as power measurement, control, multi-phase motor control, battery energy storage and battery formation.
- *ASIC*: Alongside the general-purpose analog chips, we also provide ASICs, mainly including DDR5 memory ASICs and TWS earbuds charging ASICs.

## **Sensor Chips**

Sensors are components that collect various signals from the physical world and output them to backend systems for further processing. We currently develop and offer chip-level sensors, which integrate functional elements and circuits into a single chip, mainly including touch control sensors and fingerprint recognition sensors.

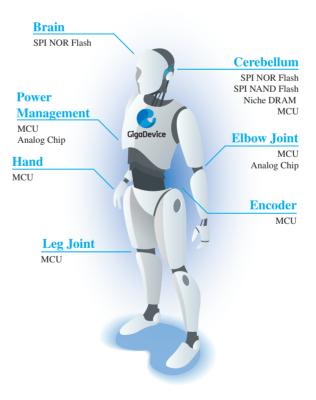
- Touch control sensors. We provide touch control sensors to enable common human-machine interaction for smartphones, tablets and smart home devices. Our touch control sensors offer wide coverage for screen sizes ranging from 1 inch to 20 inches.
- Fingerprint recognition sensors. We provide both capacitive and optical fingerprint sensors, which enable us to provide mainstream fingerprint recognition solutions for both traditional physical button fingerprint recognition and in-display fingerprint recognition across numerous flagship, high-end and mid-range smartphones.

Leveraging our diversified product portfolio and comprehensive ecosystem under the "Sense, Memory, Compute, Control and Connectivity" synergistic ecological solutions, we are capable of providing comprehensive solutions in industries such as humanoid robots, EV and smart wearables.

## Illustrative Solution — Humanoid Robots

Humanoid robots, as highly complex electromechanical systems, require ICs and sensors that deliver breakthroughs in areas such as real-time control, energy efficiency, integration level, communication capabilities and reliability. For instance, high-performance real-time computing must support parallel control of multiple joint motors, sensor fusion, stringent energy efficiency requirements, high integration and compact packaging, high-speed real-time communication and industrial-grade reliability.

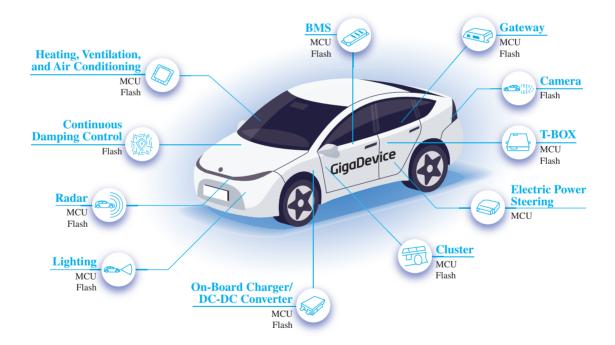
To meet these stringent requirements, we leverage our proven technical expertise, with focus on high-performance and high reliability, to build the diversified product portfolio including GD32 MCU, Flash, niche DRAM, analog chips and sensor chips to deliver a comprehensive solutions in core control systems for humanoid robots.



# Illustrative Solution — Automobiles

Automobiles impose high demands on MCU. High real-time performance, high safety standards and high reliability have consistently been the stringent criteria for automotive-grade MCU. In today's landscape where automotive electronics and electrical systems are advancing towards a domain-centric architecture, the volume of data and code that MCU must process is escalating exponentially. Consequently, addressing computational power limitations has emerged as a pivotal challenge. Confronted with intricate challenges and a swiftly evolving market, we have developed a strategic product portfolio, capitalizing on our profound experience in industrial MCU. This strategic move ensures extensive compatibility and comprehensive coverage of the majority of automotive ECU application nodes. Moreover, we have proactively tackled customer application pain points and conducted in-depth analyses of the transformative trend of software-defined vehicles.

Flash also plays a critical role in automobiles by enabling reliable data storage and real-time processing. Our automotive-grade Flash has been widely used in smart cockpits, assisted driving, smart networking and key electrical systems for electric vehicles. As of the Latest Practicable Date, the cumulative shipment volume of our automotive-grade Flash exceeded 200 million units, making us one of the largest suppliers of automotive-grade Flash in mainland China.



## Seasonality

Demand for and sales of our products follow the same seasonality pattern as sales of the end products that feature our products. As a result, we typically experience higher sales in the second and third quarters of the year due to the stock preparation of customers in response to the new product launch cycles and increased shopping activities during the holiday seasons. See "Risk Factors — Risks Relating to Our Business and Industry — Our sales may be influenced by seasonality."

## **Product Pricing**

As a globally leading IC design house, the prices of our products are closely tied to the inherent cyclical nature of the semiconductor industry. See "Financial Information — Significant Factors Affecting Our Results of Operations — Industry Cycle." In addition to the cycle-driven supply and demand dynamics, we determine the price of our products based on the costs of developing and manufacturing such products. We also consider various other factors when pricing our products, such as our relationship with the customer, complexity of the product both in terms of design and manufacturing, size of the order, our expected profit margin and competition.

### RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

R&D are critical to maintaining our market-leading position and to the sustained growth of our business by ensuring that we can continue to meet the evolving downstream needs of our products. We have adopted the IPD framework that integrates our product business lines into a unified R&D process, guided by the key principles of market-driven development, quality-first, cross-department collaboration and continuous improvement. We are devoted to in-house R&D of core IPs for our products, while also sourcing mature licensed IPs externally to supplement our techniques and improve the overall performance of our products.

### **Our Research and Development Process**

We have adopted a market-oriented R&D process based on IPD framework. Most of our products are for general purposes, while we also provide customized products and services to meet the specialized demands of customers. As such, we follow a typical R&D process detailed below:

- Concept phase. Our product management department is responsible for conducting
  market and customer research and compiling relevant information to identify the
  market opportunities and define the products. An internal preliminary review
  meeting will be held to evaluate the value of potential opportunities and products
  and decide whether to proceed.
- Planning phase. If the project passes the approval review, our project management department will coordinate with product engineering department, R&D design department and other departments to formulate a detailed project plan, defining the detailed product specifications, assigning personnel and other critical details.
- Development phase. The project team will execute the development tasks according to the project objectives and pre-established plans.
- Verification phase. The product engineering department and product testing
  department will conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the product's electrical and
  quality characteristics to confirm whether all specifications are met. The product
  engineering department will conduct reliability testing on at least three batches of
  products to ensure that the product reliability meets customer requirements and the
  process stability supports mass production.

- Product launch. Certain key customers may be selected to participate in pilot runs for product testing, often offered discounted prices as encouragement. Debugging and issue resolution are conducted based on feedback. After the product is recognized and accepted by those customers, it will be fully launched for mass production depending on the market condition, with the sales team actively promoting and supporting it.
- Lifecycle management. Our product management department will be responsible for the lifecycle management of launched products, to continue improving, supporting and managing the products. Typically, we will address customer feedback and perform quality improvement, manage product iterations and updates, optimize cost through value engineering and plan product retirement.

# Past Research and Development Achievements

Our R&D efforts have yielded significant results which enable us to establish our brand recognition and competitive position. Some of our R&D results are protected by patents while the rest are part of our proprietary trade secrets. As of December 31, 2024, we had been granted a total of 997 patents in mainland China, including 769 invention patents, 226 utility models and 2 designs, as well as 492 pending patent applications in mainland China. See "Appendix VI — Statutory and General Information — Further Information about the Business — Intellectual Property." As of the same date, we were granted a total of 62 patents in the United States, Germany, the United Kingdom, France, South Korea and Taiwan, China.

In particular, we have achieved many technological breakthroughs. In 2019, we launched and mass-produced the world's first 32-bit general-purpose MCU product based on a RISC-V architecture. In 2020, we were the first in mainland China to roll out high-performance SPI NOR Flash with a capacity of up to 2Gb, which became the preferred solution for code storage in IoT devices. In 2022, we were the first company based in mainland China to launch 1.2V low-voltage, ultra-low-power consumer-grade SPI NOR Flash, which meets the industry's evolving requirements for lower voltage and lower power consumption associated with advanced controller processes. In 2023, we were the first company based in mainland China to launch high-performance MCU based on the Arm® Cortex®-M7 architecture, which is able to be used in entry-level AI applications. See "— Our Strengths — Global Leadership in a Diverse Range of Chip Design."

## Future R&D roadmap

According to Frost & Sullivan, AI is becoming a strategic driver of transformation across the semiconductor industry. More specifically, edge AI is transforming traditional devices into intelligent terminals capable of autonomous decision-making, creating rising demands for more powerful, energy-efficient semiconductor components — particularly storage, MCU, analog, and human-machine interface solutions like touch and fingerprint sensors. Against this backdrop, we plan to continue focusing our R&D resources on products and solutions that are compatible for AI applications, and to provide more high-performance and low energy consumption products to satisfy the increasing needs of edge AI.

## **R&D** team and expenses

As of December 31, 2024, we had 1,540 experienced technical employees, accounting for 73.8% of our total number of employees as of the same date. They are distinguished by their high academic credentials, professional expertise and extensive experience in project development. As of December 31, 2024, approximately 56.5% of our employees held a master's degree or above. In 2022, 2023 and 2024, our R&D expenses amounted to RMB935.6 million, RMB990.0 million and RMB1,122.4 million, respectively, representing 11.5%, 17.2% and 15.3% of our total revenue in the respective periods.

### SALES AND MARKETING

We have established a global sales network comprising distributors and representatives in over 40 countries or regions, supported by dedicated local service networks in the United States, South Korea, Japan, the United Kingdom, Germany and Singapore. In addition, we have an international dedicated team consisting of sales and marketing personnel and engineers to provide localized services and support our sales and service network. This team is adept at capturing and responding to real-time market intelligence, ensuring timely and effective responses to customer needs.

We sell our products mainly through distributors, while we also make direct sales to certain customers at their requests. We believe that consistently delivering high-quality products on time that meet and exceed our users' expectations is the most efficient sales and marketing approach for us. As such, our sales and marketing activities are focused on maintaining and expanding the scope of our strategic relationships with our direct and indirect customers. Under our IPD framework, our sales teams are actively involved in our product R&D process to ensure that we can deliver satisfactory products to our direct and indirect customers.

	Year Ended December 31,								
	2022	2	202.	3	2024	4			
		(in RMB	thousands, exc	cept for perce	ntages)				
Distributor sales	7,265,341	89.4%	5,214,706	90.5%	6,553,179	89.1%			
Direct sales	864,651	10.6%	546,117	9.5%	802,799	10.9%			
Total	8,129,992	100.00%	5,760,823	100.00%	7,355,978	100.00%			

### **Distributor Sales**

Typically, our sales team will directly approach potential buyers to understand their needs. When we secure the potential buyer, we will typically engage a local distributor to sell our products to such buyer, unless otherwise requested by the buyer. We strategically collaborate with those distributors who possess extensive sales channels to expand our market reach and effectively serve the needs of customers in various regions, and improve our cash flow as we typically require distributors to make prepayments for products. According to Frost & Sullivan, the use of distribution model is in line with the industry norm. Our distributors can leverage their channels to provide after-sales service to customers, while we offer technical supports to end users as needed.

We have a seller-buyer relationship with our distributors whereby the ownership of the products is transferred to our distributors upon their purchase of the products. Our distributors are typically companies engaged in the sales and distribution of chips and electronic components.

## Distributor Management

We strictly select our distributors based on a number of factors, including (i) general background, such as their qualifications, scope of operations, business scale, relevant industry experience, local distribution network, geographical points of sale coverage, customer service capabilities, and sales and technical support capabilities, (ii) synergy of products, for which we assess whether the other authorized products of the distributors conflict with our products or whether there could be any synergy effect between our products and their other authorized products, (iii) the capabilities of providing solutions comprising different products to the customers, and (iv) systematic management, for which we assess whether the distributors have well-established data infrastructure, including robust customer relationship management systems and sales data analytics capabilities. We do not allow distributors to engage sub-distributors as prescribed in distributor management policies issued by us.

To the best knowledge of our Directors, during the Track Record Period, all our distributors were independent third parties, and none of our distributors were controlled by any of our former or present employees during the Track Record Period.

We do not set sales target or minimum purchase amount for our distributors. We regularly assess the performance of our distributors and leverage the assessment as a basis to determine whether to renew our agreement with a certain distributor. More specifically, we consider various factors when renewing agreements with distributors, including their historical sales of our products, payment records, compliance with the distribution agreement, compliance status, after-sales capabilities and sales and marketing capabilities.

Typically, our distributors are only allowed to non-exclusively sell our products in distribution areas specified in the agreement. We generally reserve the right to terminate the distribution agreement in the event that the distributors breach such requirements on distribution areas upon 30-day written notice in advance. In terms of pricing, we typically provide suggested retail prices of relevant products to distributors.

We enter into distribution agreements with our distributors. The terms of the agreements vary depending on the result of our negotiation with each distributor, but these agreements largely follow our standard template for distribution agreements. The table below sets forth the key terms of our distribution agreements:

**Duration**: Generally three years, which will be renewed

automatically for additional one year if we are satisfied

with the assessment results of the distributor.

Payment and credit

terms

We typically require our distributors to make prepayments for the products. We may provide certain distributors with credit terms ranging from seven days to 120 days according to our customer credit management policy, depending on their operating situations, financial condition and expected transaction volume.

**Delivery of products** : We are responsible for delivering products to the locations

specified in the orders to the distributors or designated

receivers.

**Transfer of risks**: Risks are transferred to the distributors once products have

been delivered by us to the agreed-upon location or

receiver.

Product

returns/exchanges

We typically do not accept product returns or exchanges other than in the case of quality issues. We may accept the returns when our products are the subject of infringement or misuse claims. According to Frost & Sullivan, such

return policy is in line with the industry norm.

Sales of products : Our distributors are only allowed to sell our products in

designated areas.

**Pricing**: The selling price of our products will be seperately agreed

in the order placed by the distributors.

**Termination**: Either party to the agreement has the right to unilaterally

terminate the agreement without cause by providing a 90-day notice in advance. If either party fails to perform or comply with any of its obligations under the agreement within 30 days after receipt of written notice from the other party, or enters into bankruptcy, liquidation, receivership, or any other situation indicating insolvency or inability to fulfill its obligations, the other party may terminate the agreement immediately. Termination of the agreement shall not affect either party's obligation to pay any amounts due to the other party under this Agreement, and all such amounts shall remain payable when due.

The table below sets forth the total number of our distributors and their movement during the Track Record Period.

_	Year Ended December 31,				
-	2022	2023	2024		
Number of distributors at the					
beginning of the period	168	192	190		
Number of new distributors	28	20	43		
Number of terminated distributors	4	22	15		
Number of distributors at the					
end of the period	192	190	218		

During the Track Record Period, the number of our distributors increased from 192 as of December 31, 2022 to 218 as of December 31, 2024, primarily attributable to our consistent efforts in developing and maintaining our sales network, as well as our long-term and stable partnership with most of those distributors. In 2022, 2023 and 2024, we terminated business relationships with four, 22 and 15 distributors, respectively, primarily due to the evolution of our business and unsatisfied performance of certain distributors.

## **Direct Sales**

At the request of certain customers, we may sell the products directly to them.

We generally enter into framework agreements with our major customers, with actual price and volume specified in individual purchase orders. The terms of these agreements vary depending on the specific product or project and the result of our negotiation with each customer, but these agreements generally contain the following terms:

**Duration**: Generally one year, unless otherwise agreed.

**Pricing**: The selling price of our products will be separately agreed

in the order placed by the customer.

Transfer of risks : Risks are transferred to the customers when the products

are accepted by them.

Payment and credit

terms

We typically require our customers to make prepayments for the products. We may provide certain customers with credit terms ranging from 60 days to 120 days according to our customer credit management policy, depending on their operating situations, financial condition and expected

transaction volume.

Minimum purchase

returns/exchanges

requirements

Our framework agreements with our customers usually do

not contain minimum purchase requirements.

**Delivery of products** : We are generally responsible for delivering products to the

locations and at the times as specified in the orders placed

by our customers.

**Product** : Our customers will inspect the products upon delivery and

are generally entitled to return or exchange products that do not meet their requirements in terms of quality or

specifications.

Confidentiality : These framework agreements usually have strict

confidentiality provisions that restrict us from disclosing

confidential information of our major customers.

**Termination**: These framework agreements can be terminated with

mutual agreement of parties, or terminated unilaterally under certain circumstances such as unrectified material breach of the contract, force majeure or bankruptcy of a

party.

### **Our Customers**

Our customers are distributors and direct sales customers which mainly include manufacturers and sellers of electronic components.

## Top Five Customers

In 2022, 2023 and 2024, sales to our five largest customers in each year during the Track Record Period amounted to RMB2,380.6 million, RMB1,766.5 million and RMB2,444.6 million, respectively, accounting for 29.3%, 30.6% and 33.3% of our total sales in the respective periods. In 2022, 2023 and 2024, sales to our largest customer in each year during the Track Record Period amounted to RMB575.7 million, RMB410.5 million and RMB558.3 million, accounting for 7.1%, 7.1% and 7.6% of our total sales in the respective periods. During the Track Record Period, to the best knowledge of our Directors, none of our Directors, their associates or any of our current Shareholders (who, to the knowledge of our Directors, own more than 5% of our share capital) had any interest in our five largest customers in any period during the Track Record Period that are required to be disclosed under the Listing Rules.

The following tables set forth certain information relating to our top five customers for the periods indicated.

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For the year ended December 31, 2022

Customer	Transaction amount	Percentage of sales	Type of customers	Major products purchased from us	Credit term	Commencement of Business Relationship
	(in RMB thousands)	(%)				
Customer $A^{(1)}$	575,703	7.1%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips and MCU	Prepayment or 15 to 45 days	2012
Customer $B^{(2)}$	514,159	6.3%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips	Prepayment	2020
Customer $C^{(3)}$	454,837	5.6%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips and MCU	Prepayment	2021
Customer $D^{(4)}$	448,602	5.5%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips	Prepayment	2014

Customer	Transaction amount	Percentage of sales	Type of customers	Major products purchased from us	Credit term	Year of Commencement of Business Relationship
	(in RMB thousands)	(%)				
Customer $E^{(5)}$	387,251	4.8%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips	Prepayment	2020

For the year ended December 31, 2023

Customer	Transaction amount	Percentage of sales	Types of customers	Major products purchased from us	Credit term	Year of Commencement of Business Relationship
	(in RMB thousands)	(%)				
Customer B	410,543	7.1%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips	Prepayment	2020
Customer D	383,368	6.7%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips	Prepayment	2014
Customer A	342,445	5.9%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips and MCU	Prepayment or 15 to 45 days	2012
Customer $F^{(6)}$	330,190	5.7%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips, MCU and analog chips	Prepayment or 30 to 60 days	2019
Customer E	299,924	5.2%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips	Prepayment	2020

For the year ended December 31, 2024

Customer	Transaction amount	Percentage of sales	Types of customers	Major products purchased from us	Credit term	Year of Commencement of Business Relationship
	(in RMB thousands)	(%)				
Customer A	558,302	7.6%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips and MCU	Prepayment or 15 to 45 days	2012
Customer D	542,122	7.4%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips	Prepayment	2014
Customer C	519,890	7.1%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips and MCU	Prepayment	2021
Customer F	445,848	6.1%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips, MCU and analog chips	Prepayment or 30 to 60 days	2019
Customer $G^{(7)}$	378,394	5.1%	Distributors	Specialty memory chips, MCU and analog chips	Prepayment or 30 to 60 days	2021

Notes:

- (1) Customer A is a leading Japanese company established in 1995, headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, and listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. It is a specialist trading company dealing mainly in the sales of electronic components.
- (2) Customer B is a leading electronics company established in 2017, located in Hong Kong. It specializes in the development, production and distribution of high-quality electronic components, catering to a diverse range of industries including telecommunications, consumer electronics and industrial automation.
- (3) Customer C is a company established in 2000 and located in Hefei, China. It engages in sales and distribution of electronic components among others.
- (4) Customer D is a leading electronics distributor established in 1999, located in Nanjing, China, and listed on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange. Its business covers multiple sectors including new energy, automotive electronics, communication systems, industrial control AI and consumer electronics.
- (5) Customer E is a leading semiconductor company established in 2019, located in Shenzhen, China. It specializes in the technical development of electronic products and sales of electronic components and electronic products.
- (6) Customer F is a leading company primarily engages in the distribution and of various semiconductor electronic components, and the provision of technical services. It was established in 1977, headquartered in Taiwan, China, and listed on the Taiwan Stock Exchange.
- (7) Customer G is a leading Chinese distributor of electronic components, established in 2001 and located in Hong Kong.

## **Third-party Payment Arrangement**

## Background

During the Track Record Period, some of our customers (individually or collectively, the "Third-party Payment Customer(s)") settled payments with us through accounts belonging to parties other than the contractual counterparties under the corresponding sales and purchase agreements (the "Third-party Payment Arrangement").

In 2022, 2023 and 2024, a total number of 9, 10 and 5 Third-party Payment Customers utilized the Third-Party Payment Arrangements to settle payments with us, respectively. During the same periods, the aggregate amounts of payment from designated third parties to us were RMB160.1 million, RMB97.8 million and RMB39.5 million, respectively, representing approximately 1.9%, 1.6% and 0.5% of the total payments received from all customers in the corresponding periods. During the Track Record Period, no individual Third-party Payment Customer made material contribution to our revenue.

During the Track Record Period, to the best knowledge of our Directors, the third-party payors designated by the Third-party Payment Customers primarily consisted of third-party supply chain service providers.

Our Directors confirm that, during the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, (i) we did not proactively initiate any Third-party Payment Arrangement or participate in other forms in any of such arrangement; (ii) we did not provide any discount, commission, rebate or other benefit to any of the Third-party Payment Customers to facilitate or incentivize the Third-party Payment Arrangement; and (iii) the pricing and payment terms of the agreements we entered into with the Third-party Payment Customers were in line with the agreements with customers not involved in the Third-party Payment Arrangement.

## Reasons for Utilizing the Third-party Payment Arrangement

As confirmed by Frost & Sullivan, it is not uncommon for distributors to settle their corporate transactions through third-party payors in the semiconductor industry. The Third-party Payment Customers' use of the Third-party Payment Arrangement was primarily for the following reasons:

- Some customers prefer to have arrangements with third-party supply chain service
  providers for delivery and transshipment of products procured from us. For
  convenience, some of those customers also settle their transactions with us through
  accounts of their third-party supply chain service providers; and
- Typically, we require customers to make prepayments for products. However, those third-party supply chain service providers may provide the customers with credit terms for the payments settled with us through their accounts, depending on the terms and conditions between them. As such, some customers prefer to settle their transactions with us through accounts of their their-party supply chain service providers for commercial consideration.

## Termination and Implications of the Third-party Payment Arrangement

We expect to cease all Third-party Payment Arrangements before [REDACTED].

As advised by our PRC Legal Advisor, (i) the Company does not violate any mandatory provisions of applicable laws or regulations in China due to the Third-party Payment Arrangement; and (ii) considering that (a) the confirmations have been obtained from the majority of the Third-party Payment Customers and their designated payors participating in the Third-Party Payment Arrangement during the Track Record Period confirming that they would not require the Company to return the funds and such funds do not constitute unjust enrichment, and (b) during the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, we had not been requested to refund funds, and to the best of our knowledge, there was no actual or pending dispute or disagreement involving any Third-Party Payment Arrangement; as to the parties who have provided the confirmations mentioned above, the risk that we are found obligated to return the funds according to applicable PRC laws and regulations is remote.

As confirmed by the Company, (i) the Third-party Payment Arrangement was initiated by the Third-party Payment Customers and was not an arrangement by the Company to circumvent applicable tax laws and regulations or other applicable laws and regulations in China. All the customer payments previously received under the Third-party Payment Arrangement were duly booked according to the accounting procedures and policies, (ii) we had not been identified for violating any applicable tax laws as a result of the Third-party Payment Arrangement during the Track Record Period, (iii) we only accept payments from the third-party payors by remittance from licensed banks, thereby ensuring the funding has satisfied the anti-money laundering requirements implemented by the licensed banks, and (iv) we had not been subject to any disputes or administrative penalties by the relevant government authorities with respect to the Third-party Payment Arrangement during the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date.

### **Internal Control Measures**

We are subject to various risks in relation to the Third-party Payment Arrangement. For details, see "Risk Factors — Risks Relating to Our Business and Industry — We are subject to various risks relating to third-party payment arrangement." We have adopted internal control measures to mitigate related risks and prevent future occurrences of the Third-party Payment Arrangement, including but not limited to the following:

- (i) we required our customers to settle their payments directly through their own corporate bank accounts, and in particular, we issued a notice to the Third-party Payment Customers informing them that payments made by third parties including entities and individuals would not be accepted;
- (ii) for customers who were unable to directly settle payments with us immediately at the relevant times, we required that such customers (a) communicate relevant information to us, including, among others, the identity of the third-party payors involved; and (b) enter into a tri-party payment agreement (the "Tri-party Payment Agreement(s)") with us and the third-party payors based on our house form. In the Tri-party Payment Agreement(s), it is specified that the relevant customer delegates its payment obligation under the terms of the original agreement with us to the respective third-party payor who has undertaken to pay directly to us under the same terms, or that the third-party payor is jointly liable with the Third-party Payment Customer for the relevant payments;

- (iii) After the third-party payor makes the payment to our account pursuant to the requirements of Tri-party Payment Agreement and purchase order, the finance department of us will match the payment with the corresponding customer account based on the transaction information; and
- (iv) Third-party payments that have not been approved or reported must be reasonably explained by the sales manager and all subsequent transactions must be immediately suspended.

Internal control measures have been established to preserve the integrity of our Company's financial and accounting information and prevent fraud and money laundering activities.

- (i) A compilation of financial management system and an information system account, password and authority management system have been established to govern the financial reporting process and the integrity of financial information. Such policies are approved by management and circulated to relevant staff for execution; and
- (ii) Code of conduct has been established which has set out the rules or policies that all staff should adhere to.

We conduct regular review on the effectiveness of the aforesaid internal control measures and promptly address any abnormalities and malfunctions. Our legal and financial department is responsible for providing detailed review results and reporting the results to the management periodically. Our Directors are of the view that the foregoing internal control measures are effective and adequate in preventing Third-party Payment Arrangements and associated risks, and our Directors will oversee the effectiveness of the aforementioned internal controls on Third-party Payment Arrangements in the future.

## PRODUCTION, PROCUREMENT, INVENTORY AND LOGISTICS

## **Our Fabless Model**

We do not directly manufacture our products. Instead, we have adopted the fabless model, whereby we cooperate with quality production partners for all phases of the manufacturing process. This allows us to concentrate our resources on chip design, platform development and market-oriented innovation, while partnering with leading foundries and OSAT partners to ensure manufacturing excellence and scalability and high-quality products. In addition, the fabless model allows us to avoid many of the significant costs and risks associated with owning and operating various fabrication and packaging and testing facilities. We currently work closely with 11 quality foundry partners for IC fabrication, and 26 OSAT partners for IC packaging and testing.

Beyond IC design, we dedicate resources to jointly develop optimized production processes with foundries tailored for our products and collaboratively establish Design for Manufacturability (DFM) and Design for Reliability (DFR) rules suitable for our products, resulting in strong integration capabilities between process design and manufacturing. Through sharing industry insights, technical exchanges and collaborative custom development, we contribute to upstream industry advancements in areas such as chip architecture upgrades and process technology evolution and innovation, securing preferential and comprehensive support from the supply chain.

Our foundry partners are responsible for procurement of raw materials used in the production of our ICs. Once our foundry partners complete the fabrication of the wafers, the foundry partners or we are responsible for shipping them to our OSAT partners for cutting, packaging and testing, depending on the agreements. See "— Logistics" for further details.

## **Arrangements with Our Production Partners**

## Selection of Production Partners

We carefully select our production partners, and we evaluate them based on a range of factors, including overall track record, technological expertise, product quality and quality control effectiveness, price, reliability, ability to meet our delivery timeline, locations, logistics and production capacity. We cooperate with quality foundry partners and OSAT partners, which we believe safeguards the quality of the IC.

### IC Fabrication

We provide our foundry partners with production plans covering the next one to three years and update such plans on a monthly basis, in order for them to allocate their production resources. The actual terms and conditions of the purchases, including the pricing, volume and specification of the chips, are specified in individual purchase orders.

## Packaging and Testing

We typically settle with our OSAT partners on a monthly basis.

## **Our Suppliers**

Our suppliers are mainly our foundry partners for IC fabrication and OSAT partners for IC testing and packaging.

We generally enter into framework agreements with our major foundries and OSAT partners, with the actual price and volume specified in individual purchase orders. The terms of these agreements vary depending on the specific product or project and the result of our negotiation with each customer, but these agreements generally contain the following terms:

**Duration**: Generally three to five years for foundries, and three years

for packaging and testing agreements, unless otherwise

agreed.

Principal rights and obligations of parties involved

We provide product parameters, technical specifications, production process requirements, and other product requirements to foundry partners. Our foundry partners fabricate wafer products according to our requirements.

We provide wafer products and technical specifications to packaging and testing service providers who provide packaging and testing services in accordance with our

requirements.

Payment and credit terms

We make payments according to the terms specified in the purchase orders or the agreements.

We are typically granted a credit term of one month by our foundry partners, and a credit term of one to two months

by our OSAT partners.

Quality assurance : The foundries and OSAT partners are required to deliver

products that meet our specified quality requirements and

product specifications.

**Product return**: We have the right to reject, replace or return products due

to non-conformity with our product quality requirements

or specifications due to suppliers' faults.

Termination : Either party is entitled to terminate the agreement in

accordance with the terms specified in the agreement,

including material breach of contract.

## Top Five Suppliers

In 2022, 2023 and 2024, purchases from our five largest suppliers in each year during the Track Record Period amounted to RMB4,090.6 million, RMB3,081.9 million and RMB3,696.9 million, respectively, accounting for 73.4%, 71.0% and 70.2% of our total purchases in the respective periods. In 2022, 2023 and 2024, purchases from our largest supplier in each year during the Track Record Period amounted to RMB1,369.8 million, RMB1,320.9 million and RMB1,356.2 million, accounting for 24.6%, 30.4% and 25.8% of our total purchases in the respective periods. Except for Supplier C as disclosed below, during the Track Record Period, to the best knowledge of our Directors, none of our Directors, their associates or any of our current Shareholders (who, to the knowledge of our Directors, own more than 5% of our share capital) had any interest in our five largest suppliers in any period during the Track Record Period that is required to be disclosed under the Listing Rules.

The tables below set forth certain information about our top five suppliers during the Track Record Period.

For the year ended December 31, 2022

Supplier	Transaction amount	Percentage of purchases	Major products/ services provided to us	Credit term	Year of Commencement of Business Relationship
	(in RMB thousands)	(%)			
Supplier $A^{(1)}$	1,369,763	24.6%	Wafers	30 to 60 days	2005
Supplier $B^{(2)}$	1,308,606	23.5%	Wafers	30 to 60 days	2019
Supplier $C^{(3)}$	887,432	15.9%	Wafers	30 to 60 days	2019
Supplier $D^{(4)}$	323,613	5.8%	Packaging	60 days	2010
			and testing		
Supplier $E^{(5)}$	201,175	3.6%	Wafers	30 to 60 days	2015

For the year ended December 31, 2023

Supplier	Transaction amount	Percentage of purchases	Major products/ services provided to us	Credit term	Year of Commencement of Business Relationship
	(in RMB thousands)	(%)			
Supplier A	1,320,853	30.4%	Wafers	30 to 60 days	2005
Supplier C	767,402	17.7%	Wafers	30 to 60 days	2019
Supplier B	573,517	13.2%	Wafers	30 to 60 days	2019
Supplier D	252,010	5.8%	Packaging	60 days	2010
			and testing		
Supplier E	168,136	3.9%	Wafers	30 to 60 days	2015

For the year ended December 31, 2024

Supplier	Transaction amount	Percentage of purchases	Major products/ services provided to us	Credit term	Year of Commencement of Business Relationship
	(in RMB thousands)	(%)			
Supplier A	1,356,249	25.8%	Wafers	30 to 60 days	2005
Supplier C	1,018,035	19.3%	Wafers	30 to 60 days	2019
Supplier B	708,482	13.5%	Wafers	30 to 60 days	2019
Supplier D	455,201	8.6%	Packaging	60 days	2010
			and testing		
Supplier E	158,897	3.0%	Wafers	30 to 60 days	2015

#### Notes:

- (1) Supplier A is an IC manufacturing company established in 2000, headquartered in Shanghai, China, and listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange and the Shanghai Stock Exchange. It specializes in the manufacturing and sales of wafers, providing advanced process technologies and solutions for a wide range of applications, including communications, consumer electronics, automotive and industrial sectors.
- (2) Supplier B is a foundry company, established in 2005 and headquartered in Shanghai, China, listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange and the Shanghai Stock Exchange.
- (3) Supplier C is a leading IC manufacturing company established in 2016 and headquartered in Hefei, China. It is primarily engaged in the research, development, production and sales of DRAM products.
  - As of the Latest Practicable Date, Supplier C was held as to 22.58% by Hefei Qinghui Jidian Enterprise Management Partnership (Limited Partnership) (合肥清輝集電企業管理合夥企業(有限合夥), "Qinghui Jidian"). Qinghui Jidian was held as to 0.01% by Hefei Qinghui Changxin Enterprise Management Partnership (Limited Partnership) (合肥清輝長鑫企業管理合夥企業(有限合夥), "Qinghui Changxin") as its general partner. Qinghui Changxin was held as to 51% by Mr. Zhu Yiming and 49% by Beijing Qinghui Xindian Enterprise Management Co., Ltd. (北京清輝鑫電企業管理有限公司), which was controlled by Mr. Zhu Yiming.
- (4) Supplier D is a leading IC packaging and testing company established in 2003 and located in Gansu, China. It is listed on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange and specializes in providing advanced packaging and testing services for a wide range of semiconductor products, with customers across multiple industries globally.
- (5) Supplier E is a global semiconductor foundry company, established in 1980 and headquartered in Taiwan, China, and listed on the Taiwan Stock Exchange and the New York Stock Exchange. It provides high quality IC fabrication services, focusing on logic and various specialty technologies to serve all major sectors of the electronics industry.

## Overlapping of Suppliers and Customers

In 2022, 2023 and 2024, Supplier A among our five largest suppliers in each year during the Track Record Period was also our customer in the corresponding period, and our sales to them were RMB134,200, RMB9,840 and RMB12,547, respectively, which amounted to less than 0.1% of our total revenue in corresponding year. In 2022, the Supplier C was also our customers in the corresponding year, and our sales to them were RMB2.3 million, which amounted to less than 0.1% of our total revenue in corresponding year. We mainly procured wafers from them, and provided them with IP licensing services. Save as disclosed above, to the best knowledge of the Company, there was no other overlapping of suppliers and customers among our five largest customers and suppliers in each year during the Track Record Period.

See "— Sales and Marketing — Our Customers," and "— Production, Procurement, Inventory and Logistics — Our Suppliers."

# **Inventory Management**

We place great importance on our inventory health, with dedicated personnel responsible for regular reports of inventory status to our management. We take inventory level into consideration when formulating procurement plans.

Our inventories mainly include raw materials, work in progress and finished products. We have various policies in place to ensure effective inventory management, such as adopting the first-in, first-out method, maintaining a safe inventory level for any unexpected increase in demand or delay in supply and tracking and monitoring the flow of goods and inventory levels through our warehouse management system ("WMS"). As of December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024, the balance of our inventories was RMB2,153.9 million, RMB1,990.9 million and RMB2,346.4 million, respectively. In 2022, 2023 and 2024, our inventory turnover days were 148 days, 188 days and 167 days, respectively. See "Financial Information — Selected Items of Consolidated Statements of Financial Position."

# Logistics

Depending on our agreements with the foundry partners, the foundry partners or we are responsible for shipping the wafers from the foundries to the testing and packaging facilities. We are responsible for shipping the packaged and tested chips to the locations or receivers as designated by our distributors or direct sales customers.

We engage qualified third-party logistics service providers for the deliveries. When selecting a logistics service provider, we typically consider their specialty and professional qualification, price, reputation, transportation efficiency, transportation capability and their track records. We also require our logistics providers to possess transportation permits and other relevant qualifications to conduct their business, as well as other qualifications as required by law. We normally enter into long-term agreements with our logistics service providers and evaluate their performance on an annual basis.

During the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, we had not experienced any significant delay in delivery that materially affected our business operations.

## **Quality Control**

We emphasize quality control in all aspects of our operations, covering process, customers and business. From product development and sourcing of supplies to sales and deliveries, we strictly control the quality of our products to ensure our products meet our stringent internal standards as well as international and industry standards. We have been certified under ISO 9001, ISO 14001 and ISO 45001.

We devote significant resources to the quality control of our products. We have established a dedicated quality control department consisting of 60 personnel as of December 31, 2024, which is mainly responsible for (i) receiving and fulfilling customer requirements for product quality, (ii) quality management for production partners, including foundry partners and OSAT partners, and (iii) final quality assurance of products and ensuring accountability for product quality. We also established a product test center in Hefei, China, with a laboratory occupying over 3,000 m<sup>2</sup> and a product testing team consisting of more than 150 personnel as of December 31, 2024, which is responsible for product testing to ensure quality.

Moreover, insisting on the quality-first principle, we have incorporated the Advanced Product Quality Planning ("APQP") process into our IPD framework, upfronting quality planning and control throughout each stage of development to ensure the quality of our products. We have specially established a dedicated product quality assurance position in the R&D projects, the person occupying which is responsible for managing product quality and reliability throughout the development process, effectively connecting the quality control department and R&D department.

We inspect the wafers before their delivery for packaging and testing. Our packaging and testing partners also conduct inspections on the wafers for us. Upon delivery of the packaged and tested chips, we also conduct system-level inspections.

During the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, we had never experienced any material penalties in relation to production quality or any material product quality disputes.

## Warranty and After-sales Services

We typically provide a one-year warranty for our products, which is in line with prevailing industry practice according to Frost & Sullivan. Our warranty term is typically limited to defects or failures of products that do not meet the product specifications published by us or other specifications as agreed upon in writing with our customers.

We have devised a standard operating procedure for customer service. For direct sales, we will provide after-sales services directly to our customers. For distributor sales, if the indirect customer encounters an after-sales issue, whether they contact us directly or report it through the distributor, we require such issue to be recorded in our system in accordance with our established procedures. We will coordinate with the distributor or communicate directly with the indirect customer to ensure that the issue is properly resolved. We will also continuously track the progress of such issue to maintain high standards of customer service quality.

We accept returns of our system products for defects. We believe our return policy is consistent with the relevant PRC laws and regulations governing product quality and consumer rights and interests, as applicable. We did not receive any requests for returns during the Track Record Period that individually or in aggregate had a material adverse effect on our business and financial condition. In addition, during the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, we had not experienced any product recall that adversely impacted our reputation, business operations or financial condition.

## INTELLECTUAL PROPERTIES

We had 1,059 patents, 195 registered trademarks, 62 copyrights and 3 domain names as of December 31, 2024. See "Appendix VI — Statutory and General Information — Further Information about the Business — Intellectual Property." These intellectual properties cover our production processes as well as the designs of our products.

We rely on a combination of intellectual property protection laws in the jurisdictions in which we operate and contractual arrangements (including confidentiality provisions) to establish and protect our proprietary technologies, know-how and other intellectual property rights. Our intellectual property department is primarily responsible for protecting our intellectual properties. We proactively manage and expand our intellectual property portfolio and use regulations, policies, and confidentiality and non-compete agreements to protect our intellectual properties and trade secrets. Despite our efforts, we may be subject to risks associated with alleged infringements of third parties' intellectual property rights, or infringements of our intellectual property rights by third parties. See "Regulatory Overview," and "Risk Factors — Risks Relating to Our Business and Industry — Our patents and other non-patented intellectual properties are valuable assets, and if we are unable to protect them from infringement, our business prospects may be harmed."

During the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, to the best of our knowledge, we had not been subject to any material intellectual property claims that could have a material adverse effect on our business or operations.

## ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE MATTERS

## **ESG** Management Framework

In order to achieve scientific, systematic and standardized management for the ESG system, we have formulated the Administrative Measures for Environmental, Social and Governance, and established a three-level ESG management structure, consisting of the Strategy Committee, the ESG leading group and the ESG working group. Strategy Committee, the top decision-maker of the sustainable development management, is responsible for decision-making on ESG-related matters. The Strategy Committee is composed of our chairman of the Board, IC industry experts and investment experts.

In addition, we have established a long-term ESG management framework comprising three major mechanisms: (i) an ESG meeting mechanism, including ESG leading group meeting, ESG working group meeting and other ESG ad hoc task meetings, (ii) a stakeholder response mechanism, covering the receipt, organization and response to inquiries and demands, and (iii) an information disclosure mechanism, encompassing ESG report disclosure, website information disclosure, and media dissemination to enhance the Company's ESG governance standards.

## Material ESG Topics

Material ESG topics serve as key focal points for the management of our sustainable development. Following stakeholder engagement principles, we regularly conduct importance assessments by consulting both internal and external stakeholders to determine our material topic matrix. In 2024, the key material topics included product quality, R&D innovation, labour rights protection, corporate governance and internal control compliance, talent cultivation and development, customer relationships and supply chain management.

## **Environment**

## Climate change

We have established a climate change risk governance structure and policy framework, clearly defining the responsibilities and roles of the Board, senior management, and the executive team in addressing climate-related matters, to contribute to a more robust and systematic governance mechanism. Furthermore, we have developed and publicly released our Climate Change Policy on our official website. According to it, the Strategy Committee is responsible for overseeing climate-related risks and regularly reviewing progress on related performance, thereby ensuring that management initiatives are effectively implemented and appropriately supervised.

We operate in the rapidly evolving semiconductor industry, where the continuous miniaturization of transistors — the fundamental building blocks of chips — has led to both material savings and reductions in power consumption. We closely monitor opportunities in clean technologies and leverage our technical expertise to integrate the concept of sustainable development into product innovation. We place great emphasis on R&D, with a strong focus on designing and developing environmentally friendly and energy-efficient products. By offering low-power solutions, the company helps extend product lifecycles and reduce the environmental impact of end-user applications. Sustainability and energy efficiency are embedded in the product design process from the outset. We take product lifespan and application scenarios into consideration to minimize unnecessary power consumption in circuits and reduce overall energy use.

### **GHG** Emissions

Item	Unit	For the year ended December 31,		
		2022	2023	2024
Total Scope I GHG emissions	tCO <sub>2</sub> e	60	226	207
Total Scope II GHG emissions	$tCO_2e$	4,643	6,095	4,906

# Energy management

We have consistently prioritized ecological and environmental protection along with the sustainable use of resources. By integrating the principles of environmental protection and green development into our daily operations, we have optimized the energy efficiency of our office buildings and actively promoted energy conservation awareness. These efforts have collectively contributed to a reduction in office energy consumption and enhanced the overall sustainability performance of our business operations.

In our business operations, we have taken many initiatives to improve energy efficiency and reduce energy consumption. For example, we have successfully connected our rooftop photovoltaic project at the Hefei office to the grid in November 2023, with an installed capacity of 267.3 kW. In 2024, the project generated a total of 310,239 kWh of electricity, resulting in an estimated reduction of approximately 176.929 tons of carbon-dioxide-equivalent emissions. Moreover, prior to the renovation of the new office area, we adjusted the lighting system design according to the guidance of WELL/LEED certification standards. We also add programmable timers and motion sensors, along with the installation and application of a building automation system and an intelligent power control system, to enhance the energy efficiency of our office building.

## Environmental compliance and waste and water resources management

We closely monitor environmental protection policies in our domestic and international areas of operation and strictly comply with national and local laws and regulations, including the Environmental Protection Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國環境保護法》), the Energy Conservation Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國節約能源法》), and the Law of the PRC on the Prevention and Control of Environmental Pollution by Solid Waste (《中華人民共和國固體廢物污染環境防治法》). We effectively implement internal policies such as the Environmental Factors Identification and Evaluation Procedure, the Energy and Resource Conservation Control Procedure, and the Solid Waste Pollution Prevention and Control Procedure. Environmental goals and targets are integrated into our management reviews to ensure the thorough implementation of environmental management requirements. We have obtained and maintained an ISO14001 Environmental Management System certification.

To improve water use efficiency and reduce water consumption, we have implemented the following measures. We gradually replace traditional water dispensers with direct drinking water machines, and regularly engage suppliers to replace filters and conduct water quality testing. Bottled water is no longer provided based on the number of attendees at meetings, particularly large-scale ones, but is instead supplied at no more than 70% of the expected headcount, and placed in a central location for attendees to take as needed. Moreover, employees and visitors are also encouraged to bring their own reusable water bottles during meetings or events to reduce bottled water consumption and minimize water resource waste.

We are classified as a non-key pollutant discharge unit and are not involved in the discharge of pollutants or waste such as wastewater, exhaust gas, or noise. Despite that, we have formulated and strictly implemented the Solid Waste Pollution Prevention and Control Procedures and Solid Waste Classification Table to manage waste. Items such as toner cartridges, ink cartridges, batteries, and lamps are classified as hazardous solid waste and are stored in the Company's hazardous waste warehouse with appropriate hazardous waste labels affixed. Rechargeable keyboards and mice, hard drives, and similar items are treated as electronic waste and temporarily stored in the hazardous waste warehouse. Other types of electronic waste are collected and stored in the general warehouse. We also entered into an agreement with a qualified environmental protection agency to entrust them with the disposal of hazardous solid waste in compliance with relevant regulations. In 2024, a total of 0.01 tons of hazardous waste and 0.05 tons of general industrial solid waste were lawfully transferred and disposed of.

Item	Unit	For the year ended December 31,		
		2022	2023	2024
Total water consumption	tons	21.472	17.346	18.953

## Social Responsibility

## Supply Chain Management

We place great emphasis on supply chain management and are committed to establishing a responsible and sustainable green supply chain. To this end, we have formulated a range of internal rules and regulations such as the Supplier Control Procedures, the Supplier Review Procedures and the Supplier Basic Norms of Packaging and Testing. Thus, a comprehensive supplier management system that encompasses supplier access, assessment, risk management and withdrawal is established.

- Admission assessment. We evaluate suppliers based on our New Supplier Admission Procedure, which includes an initial scoring assessment, followed by engineering validation, on-site inspection, and review by the Supplier Decision Committee to determine inclusion in our approved supplier list. In particular, we prioritize safety and environmental protection factors in the supplier admission procedure, with the Supplier Environmental Audit Checklist specifically ensuring compliance with the environmental, occupational health, and safety management system, and the Quality System & Process Review Form for Packing and Testing Suppliers covering quality system requirements.
- Compliance commitment. We regularly communicate environmental protection laws, regulations, and customer requirements to our suppliers to support the green transition of our supply chain. In collaboration with our suppliers, we actively promote an ethical and transparent business environment. As part of our daily operations, we carry out anti-corruption training and awareness initiatives for suppliers and remain firmly committed to eliminating all forms of corrupt practices.
- Regular evaluation. We conduct regular supplier evaluations and actively promote social responsibility guidelines among our suppliers, incorporating social responsibility criteria into routine assessment processes. An ESG matters have been added to the existing annual evaluation framework, covering key areas such as labor rights, health and safety, environmental practices and business ethics. For suppliers receiving unsatisfactory evaluation outcomes, we provide targeted training to support their continuous improvement and strengthen ESG performance across the supply chain.

## Occupational Health, Safety and Care

We place great importance on employees' health and safety and continuously strengthen our occupational health and safety management systems to ensure a healthy and safe working environment. In 2023, we successfully completed the external surveillance assessment for ISO 45001 and updated our certification in September 2023.

We strictly comply with the Labor Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國勞動法》), the Labor Contract Law of the PRC (《中華人民共和國勞動合同法》), and other relevant laws and regulations. In accordance with the relevant laws and regulations, we promote the implementation of internal policies such as the Employment Management Standards and Labor Contract. These efforts aim to regulate corporate operations, protect employees' rights and interests, and continuously optimize talent management mechanisms.

We have also systematically reviewed and refined our occupational health management. Several internal policies and procedures have been established, including the Control Procedure for Laws, Regulations, and Relevant Requirements, the Compliance Evaluation Procedure, the Occupational Health and Safety Control Procedure, the Comprehensive Safety Management System for the Working Environment, the Emergency Preparedness and Response Procedure, and the Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment Procedure. To safeguard employee well-being, we arrange annual physical examinations and provide all employees with supplementary commercial medical insurance, which covers outpatient services, hospitalization, and accidental injuries. Moreover, we regularly conduct both online and offline training sessions that combine theoretical knowledge with practical skills on occupational health and safety, first aid and fire safety, aiming to continuously raise awareness and preparedness among employees.

We also offer a competitive benefits package, including social insurance, paid leave, holiday perks, and recreational activities. Beyond material support, we actively enrich our employees' cultural lives, prioritize both physical and mental well-being, remain attentive to the needs of employees facing challenges, and strive to cultivate a harmonious and fulfilling workplace environment.

We foster a culture rooted in equality, diversity and innovation, with zero tolerance for discrimination. By promoting transparency, trust, honesty and inclusiveness, we create an environment where everyone feels valued and respected.

# **Community Relations Management**

We actively fulfill our social responsibilities, continuously support public welfare, and contribute to serving society. Each year, we prepare a dedicated budget for public welfare donations and continuously improve processes such as the research and evaluation of public welfare projects, project application and approval, and donation implementation, review, participation, and tracking and statistics, in order to enhance our social influence. In 2024, we

formulated the Volunteer Activities Management Measures to promote the smooth development of various volunteer service activities and to protect the legitimate rights and interests of both volunteers and service recipients.

In 2024, we invested RMB1.6 million in public welfare programs, with a total of 112 participants devoting approximately 97 hours in total.

## **Corporate Governance**

## **Business Integrity**

We uphold the principle of integrity and adhere to a standardized code of business conduct. All business activities and market competition are conducted in compliance with applicable laws and regulations, with a firm stance against commercial bribery and unfair competition in any form. To foster a transparent and ethical business environment and strengthen employees' integrity and self-discipline, we have introduced the Administrative Measures for Anti-Commercial Bribery and published the Code of Business Ethics, the Anti-Commercial Bribery Compliance Policy, and the Reporting and Informant Protection System on our official website. These measures clearly define the organizational structure and responsibilities related to anti-bribery management and establish procedures for reporting, investigation, and accountability. We require key personnels to sign the Letter of Commitment on Anti-Commercial Bribery, thereby upholding our reputation for integrity and ethical conduct.

We also establish a comprehensive, multi-level anti-commercial bribery management framework led by the Board and coordinated by the general manager. This framework includes the Compliance Committee, the Anti-Commercial Bribery Management Department, the Anti-Commercial Bribery Supervisory Department, and other relevant departments responsible for the implementation of anti-bribery policies.

Moreover, we continuously conduct anti-bribery compliance risk assessments for our business partners. Through various means such as contracts and commitment letters, we actively communicate our anti-bribery policies to business partners and maintain ongoing oversight throughout the contract execution periods.

## DATA PRIVACY AND CYBERSECURITY

In recent years, data privacy and cybersecurity have emerged as critical governance priorities for companies worldwide. In particular, the PRC legislative and government authorities regularly introduce new cybersecurity, data security and privacy laws and regulations. Consequently, our practices regarding the collection, process and transfer of various types of data may come under increased administrative scrutiny. See "Risk Factors — Risks Relating to Our Business and Industry — Any failure or perceived failure to comply with data privacy and security laws could subject us to potential liabilities."

We collect and store business, management and transaction data generated during or in connection with our business operations, including data related to our business and transactions with our customers, suppliers and other relevant parties. We collect personal information of our customers only in very limited and necessary circumstances.

We have established a comprehensive data compliance system. We have deployed more than ten types of security systems and devices, including firewalls, internet behavior management, antivirus softwares, network access control, data loss prevention, threat intelligence platforms, log management, and vulnerability scanning. These tools form a layered defense system that extends from the network perimeter to the data center and end-user terminals. This architecture enables proactive prevention, real-time alerts during incidents, and post-event accountability in response to cybersecurity threats.

Our information technology departments are responsible for developing and implementing our policies and procedures relating to cybersecurity and data security.

As advised by our PRC Legal Advisors, during the Track Record Period, we complied with applicable laws and regulations related to cybersecurity and data protection in all material respects.

### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Our information technology systems are essential to our business operations. We have developed or employed various information technology systems covering all material aspects of our operations, including sales, supply chain management, inventory management, production and quality control. Our information technology department is responsible for developing and maintaining information technology systems to support our business operations and growth.

Our key information technology systems are set forth below:

- Our systems applications and products system serves as our core enterprise resource planning platform, managing key processes such as financial reporting, procurement workflows, production planning, inventory tracking and sales order management. It helps to refine our management and supports data-driven decision-making.
- Our customer relationship management system manages customers' information and sales processes. It helps to track potential customers and sales opportunities in order to enhance efficiency, reduce human errors and enhance customer satisfaction.
- Our supplier relationship management system optimizes supply chain processes by predicting demand, managing inventories, reducing costs and enhancing the flexibility of the supply chain. It helps to ensure timely supply of raw materials and products.

### COMPETITION

We operate in a highly competitive market, and we compete with other chip providers in the memory, analog and sensor chips segments, as well as with other providers in the MCU segment. The competitive landscape is shaped by multiple factors, including the growth of our customers and their respective industries, advancements in technology, emergence of new materials or technology, production capacity, regulatory changes and general economic conditions. New market participants may emerge, introducing innovative or cost-effective products that challenge existing players. If we are unable to keep pace with such advancements or fail to differentiate our products in terms of quality or cost, we risk losing market share to our competitors. See "Industry Overview," and "Risk Factors — Risks Relating to our Business and Industry — We face competition and expect competition to increase in the future. If we fail to compete effectively, our business, prospects, results of operations and financial condition will be materially and adversely affected."

## **INSURANCE**

We maintain insurance policies to cover product liabilities, general liabilities and product recall. In addition, we have purchased a number of property-related insurance policies covering our facilities, machinery, equipment, inventories and other assets. We review our insurance policies from time to time to assess the adequacy and breadth of coverage. We believe that our existing insurance coverage is adequate for our business operations and is in line with industry standards in the countries in which we operate. Nevertheless, we may be exposed to claims and liabilities which exceed our insurance coverage. See "Risk Factors — Risks Relating to our Business and Industry — Our insurance coverage may be insufficient to cover all of our potential losses."

During the Track Record Period, we did not make and were not the subject of, any insurance claims which are material to our business or financial condition.

# **PROPERTIES**

As of December 31, 2024, we operated our business through four major owned properties and 16 major leased properties in China, Japan, Germany, the United States and Singapore. We primarily use our owned and leased properties as our office premises.

As of December 31, 2024, we had no single property with a carrying amount of 15% or more of our total assets, and on this basis, we are not required by Rule 5.01A of the Listing Rules to include any valuation report in this document. Pursuant to section 6(2) of the Companies Ordinance (Exemption of Companies and Prospectuses from Compliance with Provisions) Notice, this document is exempted from compliance with the requirements of section 342(1)(b) of the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance in relation to paragraph 34(2) of the Third Schedule to the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance, which requires a valuation report with respect to all of our interests in land or buildings.

## **Owned Properties**

As of December 31, 2024, we owned four major properties with an aggregate gross floor area of 25,779.0 sq.m. in China. We mainly use these properties as our office premises. As of the same date, we had one land use right in China with a gross floor area of 13,081.36 sq.m.

## **Leased Properties**

As of December 31, 2024, we leased 16 major properties with an aggregate gross floor area of 18,444.1 sq.m. in China, Japan, Singapore, Germany and the United States, mainly as our office premises.

According to applicable PRC laws and regulations, the lessor and the lessee to a lease agreement are required to file the agreement with relevant government authorities within a prescribed time period. As of the Latest Practicable Date, with respect to eight major leased property in China used as an office, we had not registered the lease agreements. As advised by our PRC Legal Adviser, the absence of registrations will not affect the validity of the lease agreements, nor materially and adversely affect our operations.

## **EMPLOYEES**

As of December 31, 2024, we had 2,087 full-time employees, with approximately 97.8% of our employees located in mainland China. The following table sets forth a breakdown of our full-time employees by function as of December 31, 2024.

Function	As of December 31, 2024		
-	Number	%	
Sales personnel	235	11.3%	
Technical personnel	1,540	73.8%	
Finance personnel	47	2.2%	
Others	265	12.7%	
Total	2,087	100%	

We provide our employees with certain benefits including social insurance coverage and other employee benefits. We enter into individual employment contracts with our employees to cover matters such as wages, employee benefits, confidentiality and grounds for termination. Our employees' compensation is determined according to their job positions, technical skills, and job performance and competition.

We have designed a series of comprehensive training programs that align with our strategic direction and talent development objectives. These programs combine online and in-person learning formats to enhance employees' job-related skills, unlock their potential, and strengthen leadership, professional and general capabilities. We consistently optimize our Training Management Policy based on the development needs of our business, with a strong focus on internal talent development and the establishment of an efficient talent pipeline.

None of our employees are represented by a union or collective bargaining agreements. We believe that we have good employment relationships with our employees. During the Track Record Period, we did not experience any strikes, work stoppages, labor disputes or other actions which had a material adverse effect on our business and operations.

## RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL

Our future operating performance may be affected by risks relating to our business. Some of these risks are specific to us while others relate to economic conditions and are general to the industry in which we operate. See "Risk Factors" for a discussion of these risks.

Our Board and senior management are responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate risk management and internal control systems. Risk management is the process designed to identify potential events that may affect us and to keep risks within our risk appetite. Internal control is the process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the achievement of objectives related to the effectiveness and efficiency of operations, the reliability of financial reporting and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

# Risk Management and Internal Control Policies

We have in place a robust risk management and internal control system. We have adopted and consistently improved our internal control mechanisms to ensure the compliance of our business operations with relevant laws and regulations and all our internal policies. Furthermore, we conduct periodic reviews of the implementation of our risk management policies and internal control measures to ensure their effectiveness and sufficiency.

Our Board is responsible for monitoring our internal control system, assessing its effectiveness, and maintaining suitable and effective risk tolerance levels. The objectives of our risk management system are to: (i) identify potential events that may impact us, ensuring relevant risks are kept within acceptable and appropriate levels relative to our objectives; (ii) facilitate accurate and reliable communication of information to both internal and external stakeholders; (iii) ensure compliance with our business operations; (iv) enhance the efficiency

and effectiveness of our business activities, thereby reducing uncertainties in achieving operational goals; and (v) establish crisis management plans for significant risks to protect us from substantial losses due to catastrophic risks or human errors.

Our Audit Committee is responsible for reviewing the regulations and primary objectives related to risk management, submitting comprehensive risk management reports to the Board as needed, reviewing risk management strategies and solutions for significant risks, and addressing other matters related to comprehensive risk management as authorized by the Board. Our internal audit department is tasked with overseeing the implementation of our risk management policies and systems. Other departments and business units are coordinated and supervised by the internal audit department in their risk management efforts.

## LICENSES, PERMITS AND APPROVALS

During the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, we had obtained all requisite licenses, permits, approvals and certificates from the relevant government authorities that are material for our business operations. We continually monitor our compliance with these requirements in order to ensure that we have all such approvals, licenses and permits as are necessary to operate our business.

We had not experienced any material difficulties in renewing material licenses, permits or approvals during the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date and do not expect there to be any material difficulties in renewing them upon their expiry.

## LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We may from time to time become a party to various legal, arbitral or administrative proceedings arising in the ordinary course of our business. See "Risk Factors — We may from time to time become a party to litigation, arbitration, other legal and contractual disputes, claims and administrative proceedings." As of the Latest Practicable Date, there was no litigation, arbitration or administrative proceedings pending or threatened against us or any of our Directors that could have a material and adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations.

During the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date, there had been no material breaches or violations of laws or regulations applicable to us which are expected to have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the related notes included in the Accountants' Report in Appendix I to this document. Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards.

The following discussion and analysis contain forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. These statements are based on assumptions and analysis made by us in light of our experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors we believe are appropriate under the circumstances. You should not place undue reliance on any such statements. Our actual future results and timing of selected events could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including those set forth under "Risk Factors," "Forward-Looking Statements" and elsewhere in this document.

For the purpose of this section, unless the context otherwise requires, reference to the years of 2022, 2023 and 2024 refer to the years ended December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024, respectively.

#### **OVERVIEW**

We are a globally leading IC design house for a diverse range of chips. We provide customers with a diverse range of chips, including Flash, niche DRAM, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips, as well as a complete set of systems and solutions, including corresponding algorithms and software. We implement the fabless business model, focusing on IC design and R&D to maintain our technological leadership. According to Frost & Sullivan, in terms of sales in 2024, we are the market leader in various fields and are the only IC design house that ranks top 10 globally in all NOR Flash, SLC NAND Flash, niche DRAM and MCU.

In 2022, 2023 and 2024, we recorded revenue of RMB8,130.0 million, RMB5,760.8 million and RMB7,356.0 million, respectively. During the same period, we recorded adjusted net profit (a non-IFRS measure) of RMB2,256.1 million, RMB258.3 million and RMB1,259.9 million, with adjusted net profit margin (a non-IFRS measure) of 27.7%, 4.5% and 17.1%, respectively.

#### SIGNIFICANT FACTORS AFFECTING OUR RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Our business, results of operations and financial condition are affected by a number of general factors influencing the overall global semiconductor industry. These factors include macro-economic trends, industry development and competitive landscape in the market.

In addition to these general factors, our results of operations are affected by the following specific factors:

#### **Industry Cycle**

As a globally leading IC design house, our business and financial performance are closely tied to the cyclical nature of the semiconductor industry. This inherent cycle typically comprises recurring phases of expansion, peak, downturn and recovery. The cycle is driven by a variety of factors, including macroeconomic conditions, capital expenditure trends, technology transitions, inventory adjustments, and adjustment in end-market demand and supply structure. In particular, according to Frost & Sullivan, the overall semiconductor industry were at a downturn phase in 2022 and 2023, featured by inventory buildup, weakened consumer demand, and falling price across different products. In 2024, the industry began to show signs of an uneven recovery across certain end markets, while the competition in those markets remain intense. The industry cycle has had, and will continue to have, a significant impact on the demand for and pricing of our various types of chips on offer.

Taking a more granular view, at any given time, different sectors within the semiconductor industry may be at different phases of the cycle, due to the intricate interactions of the various factors mentioned above in different sectors. Among the various factors, end-markets developments have had a more pronounced effect on the industry cycle and therefore our financial performance. For example, according to Frost & Sullivan, the market demand in consumer electronics were weakened since early 2022, while the demand in industrial applications and automobile remained relative strong until the end of 2022, which resulted in a strong sales of our Flash for automobile and industrial applications in 2022. This partially offset the decrease in sales of our Flash chips for consumer electronics end use. In 2024, following the inventory drawdown in 2022 and 2023, several end markets, such as consumer electronics and industrial applications, have experienced gradual recovery, which resulted in increase in our sales volume of our products for those end-markets.

Affected by such cyclical downturns and uneven recovery across different end markets during the Track Record Period, the selling prices of our products declined sharply from 2022 to 2023, followed by a slowdown in the downward trend and signs of stabilization in 2024.

We have a diverse product portfolio, including specialty memory chips, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips, which are incorporated in end products for a wide range of end markets, such as consumer electronics, automobiles, industry, PC and servers, IoT and network communications. We expect to continue to broaden our product portfolio to enhance our resilience against fluctuations and capture the growth opportunities presented by different end-markets, as cyclical softness in one end market may be partially offset by resilience or growth in others.

### **Development and Market Acceptance of End Products**

Our products are designed for applications across a wide spectrum of end markets, including consumer electronics, automobiles, industry, PC and servers, IoT and network communications. The development and market acceptance of end products within these markets can have a significant and direct impact on our business and financial results. These markets are characterized by intense competition and are largely driven by the evolving needs and preferences of the end users.

The continuous innovation and evolution of end products often introduce new and more complex technical requirements for our semiconductor solutions. For example, the proliferation of edge AI applications necessitates advanced chip designs with high-performance and low energy consumption. To stay ahead in this dynamic environment, we must proactively develop and launch new or enhanced products that meet these emerging demands and maintain our competitive edge.

Moreover, our success remain subject to the commercial success of end products incorporating our products, which in turn depends on broader factors such as end-user preferences, pricing, brand reputation, and overall economic conditions affecting end users. Development of new products and end uses can generate significant growth opportunities for us. See "Industry Overview" for further details. Conversely, a decline in demand for certain end products could lead to reduced orders for our products.

#### **Product Mix**

We have a diversified product portfolio includes specialty memory chips, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips. Within each product category, we offer multiple series with different specifications to meet the specific performance and functional requirements of different application scenarios.

The selling prices and gross profit margin of different products category and series are different due to, among others, the differences in product complexity, R&D investment and costs. Our product mix may change in response to the market condition and technological changes in the end markets to which our products are adopted. Significant changes in product mix can directly affected our profitability due to varying gross profit margin attributable to different products and series, which in turn affects our results of operations.

### **Supply Chain Management**

Supply chain management capabilities have a direct and significant impact on our business results of operations. As an IC design house adopting the fabless business model, we rely on third-party foundries for wafer fabrication and OSAT partners for testing and packaging. Building strong and long-term partnerships with key production partners is essential. These relationships can secure access to more stable capacity allocation, as well as foster close collaboration with our partners on the production end. In particular, capacity allocation, reservation and production scheduling are vital during periods of high industry demand. Accurate forecasting and communication of wafer demands can also help us avoid costly delays and supply bottlenecks.

Moreover, effective coordination with production partners allows us to optimize the production process, streamline backend operations, reduce cycle times and improve time-to-market, which is crucial for capturing market opportunities and staying ahead of competitors. Optimizing procurement lead times for critical materials and services, such as wafers, and packaging and testing services, minimizes inventory holding costs while ensuring continuous production flow.

#### **Operational Efficiency**

Our ability to manage and improve our operational efficiency can significantly affect our profitability and results of operations. Our operating expenses primarily consist of R&D expenses, administrative expenses and selling and distribution expenses.

R&D are critical to maintaining our market-leading position and to the sustained growth of our business by ensuring that we can continue to meet the evolving downstream needs of our products. As a result of consistent investment in R&D activities, our R&D expenses increased from RMB935.6 million in 2022 to RMB990.0 million in 2023, and further increased to RMB1,122.4 million in 2024, which accounted for 11.5%, 17.2% and 15.3% of our total revenue during the same periods. Our R&D investment have resulted in various technological achievements. See "Business — Our Strengths — Global Leadership in a Diverse Range of Chip Design." As the semiconductor industry is subject to constant and rapid changes in technology, constant product and technology upgrade, frequent new product introductions and evolving technical standards, we expect to continue investing in R&D activities to maintain and enhance our competitive strength. However, there is no guarantee that our investment in R&D will eventually result in desirable outcome, or we are able to successfully commercialize our R&D results. If that happens, our results of operations would be adversely affected. See "Risk Factors — Risks Relating to Our Business and Industry — Our R&D efforts are not guaranteed to yield the results we anticipate."

The effectiveness of our selling and marketing activities and management are also crucial for our business. In 2022, 2023 and 2024, our selling and distribution expenses were RMB265.9 million, RMB270.5 million and RMB370.9 million, respectively, accounting for 3.3%, 4.7% and 5.0% of our total revenue in the corresponding year. During the same period,

our administrative expenses were RMB498.5 million, RMB397.6 million and RMB525.7 million, respectively, accounting for 6.1%, 6.9% and 7.1% of our total revenue in the corresponding year. We are committed to improve the effectiveness of our selling and marketing activities and our management.

#### BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Our historical financial information has been prepared in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"). The IASB has issued a number of new and revised IFRS Accounting Standards. For the purpose of preparing our historical financial information, we have adopted all applicable new and revised IFRS Accounting Standards to the Track Record Period, except for any new standards or interpretations that are not yet effective for the Track Record Period.

The measurement basis used in the preparation of the historical financial statement is the historical cost basis except for financial assets measured at FVPL and equity securities designated at FVOCI are stated at their fair value.

See notes 1 and 2 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report."

#### MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

Note 2 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report" to this document sets forth certain material accounting policy information, which are important for understanding our financial conditions and results of operations.

The preparation of the historical financial information in conformity with IFRS Accounting Standards requires our management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing 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. See note 3 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report."

# RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Year	Ended	Decemb	oer	31,
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	2022		2023		2024	
		(in RMB t	housands, exce	pt for perce	ntages)	
Revenue	<b>8,129,992</b> (4,432,776)	<b>100.0%</b> (54.5)%	<b>5,760,823</b> (4,014,515)	<b>100.0%</b> (69.7)%	<b>7,355,978</b> (4,732,760)	<b>100.0%</b> (64.3)%
Gross profit	3,697,216	45.5%	1,746,308	30.3%	2,623,218	35.7%
Other income	519,300	6.4%	424,401	7.4%	549,914	7.5%
expenses	(265,878)	(3.3)%	(270,498)	(4.7)%	(370,907)	(5.0)%
Administrative expenses Research and development	(498,549)	(6.1)%	(397,553)	(6.9)%	(525,678)	(7.1)%
expenses	(935,584)	(11.5)%	(989,953)	(17.2)%	(1,122,389)	(15.3)%
other receivables	(743)	(0.0)%	(820)	(0.0)%	(3,667)	(0.0)%
assets	-	_	(2,630)	(0.0)%	_	_
Impairment loss on goodwill	(241,491)	(3.0)%	(373,372)	(6.5)%	_	_
Profit from operations	2,274,271	28.0%	135,883	2.4%	1,150,491	15.6%
Finance costs	(7,889)	(0.1)%	(7,115)	(0.1)%	(19,253)	(0.3)%
associates	(3,957)	(0.0)%	(4,020)	(0.1)%	(7,575)	(0.1)%
Profit before taxation	2,262,425	27.8%	124,748		1,123,663	15.3%
Income tax	(209,543)	(2.6)%	36,393	0.6%	(22,782)	(0.3)%
Profit for the year	2,052,882	<u>25.3</u> %	<u>161,141</u>	<u>2.8</u> %	1,100,881	<u>15.0</u> %
Attributable to: Equity shareholders of	2.052.002	0E 201	161 141	2.00	1 102 542	15.00
the Company	2,052,882	25.3%	161,141	2.8%	1,102,543	15.0%
Non-controlling interests	_	_	_	_	(1,662)	(0.0)%

#### NON-IFRS MEASURES

To supplement our consolidated financial statements that are presented in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards, we also use non-IFRS measures, including adjusted net profit (a non-IFRS measure) and adjusted net profit margin (a non-IFRS measure), as additional financial metrics, which are not required by, or presented in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards. We believe that these non-IFRS measures facilitate comparisons of operating performance from period to period by eliminating potential impact of certain items. We believe that these measures provide useful information to investors and others in understanding and evaluating our consolidated financial statements in the same manner as they help our management. However, our presentation of adjusted net profit (a non-IFRS measure) and adjusted net profit margin (a non-IFRS measure) may not be comparable to similar item measures presented by other companies. The use of these non-IFRS measures has limitations as an analytical tool, and you should not consider them in isolation from, or as substitute for analysis of, our consolidated financial statements or financial condition as reported under IFRS Accounting Standards. We define adjusted net profit (a non-IFRS measure) as profit for the year adjusted for share-based payments and [REDACTED] expenses. We define adjusted net profit margin (a non-IFRS measure) as adjusted net profit (a non-IFRS measure) as a percentage of our total revenue.

	For the year ended December 31,				
	2022	2023	2024		
	(in RMB thouse	ands, except for pe	ercentages)		
Profit for the year adjusted for:	2,052,882	161,141	1,100,881		
Share-based payment expenses	203,181	97,138	159,034		
[REDACTED] expenses					
Adjusted net profit (a non-IFRS measure).	2,256,063	258,279	1,259,915		
Adjusted net profit margin (a non-IFRS	27.7%	1 50/	17.1%		
measure)	27.7%	4.5%	1/.1		

### PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS OF RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

#### Revenue

During the Track Record Period, we primarily generated revenue from the sales of specialty memory chips, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips. Our revenue was recorded net of rebate.

# By Product

	Year Ended December 31,							
	2022		2023		2024			
		(in RMB i	housands, exce	pt for perce	entages)			
Specialty memory chips	4,825,856	59.3%	4,077,311	70.8%	5,194,173	70.6%		
MCU	2,825,357	34.8%	1,312,209	22.8%	1,690,547	23.0%		
Sensor chips	434,974	5.4%	352,449	6.1%	448,300	6.1%		
Analog chips	3,851	0.0%	4,604	0.1%	15,468	0.2%		
Others <sup>(1)</sup>	39,954	0.5%	14,250	0.2%	7,490	0.1%		
Total	8,129,992	<u>100.0</u> %	5,760,823	100.0 %	7,355,978	100.0 %		

Note:

(1) Including technical services and license fees for our IPs.

	2022		2023		2024	
	Sales volume	Average Selling Price <sup>(1)</sup>	Sales volume	Average Selling Price <sup>(1)</sup>	Sales volume	Average Selling Price <sup>(1)</sup>
	(Unit'000)	(RMB)	(Unit'000)	(RMB)	(Unit'000)	(RMB)
Specialty memory chips	2,259,645	2.14	2,655,166	1.54	3,553,167	1.46
MCU	343,535	8.22	276,089	4.75	409,251	4.13
Sensor chips	157,130	2.77	178,811	1.97	267,983	1.67

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Year Ended December 31,

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Note:

Analog chips . . . . . . . . . . . .

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<sup>(1)</sup> Average selling price is calculated through dividing revenue by the relevant sales volume during the same year, which represented the average price at which our products were sold to our customers.

According to Frost & Sullivan, the overall semiconductor industry was at a downturn phase in 2022 and 2023, featured by inventory buildup, weak consumer demand and falling price across different products. In 2024, the industry began to show signs of an uneven recovery across certain end markets, while the competition in those markets was still intense. Affected by such cyclical downturns and uneven recovery across different end markets during the Track Record Period, the sales volume of our different products experienced fluctuation during the same period, and the selling prices of our products declined sharply from 2022 to 2023, followed by a slowdown in the downward trend and signs of stabilization in 2024. As a result, our revenue decreased from RMB8,130.0 million in 2022 to RMB5,760.8 million in 2023, which increased to RMB7,356.0 million in 2024.

### By Sales Channel

During the Track Record Period, we established a sales network comprising (i) distributor sales, and (ii) direct sales.

	Year Ended December 31,								
	2022	2023	<u> </u>	2024					
		(in RMB thousands, exc	ept for perce	entages)					
Distributor sales	7,265,341	89.4% 5,214,706	90.5%	6,553,179	89.1%				
Direct sales	864,651	10.6% 546,117	9.5%	802,799	10.9%				
Total	8,129,992	<u>100.0</u> % <u>5,760,823</u>	100.0%	7,355,978	<u>100.0</u> %				

#### By Geographical Location

	Year Ended December 31,							
	2022		2023		2024			
		(in RMB t	housands, exce	ept for perce	entages)			
Mainland China <sup>(1)</sup>	1,663,528	20.5%	1,331,795	23.1%	1,923,578	26.1%		
Other regions or countries <sup>(1)</sup>								
Hong Kong	4,343,530	53.4%	2,915,429	50.6%	3,374,412	45.9%		
Taiwan	971,430	11.9%	892,786	15.5%	1,177,028	16.0%		
Others <sup>(2)</sup>	1,151,504	14.2%	620,813	10.8%	880,960	12.0%		
Sub-total	6,466,464	79.5%	4,429,028	76.9%	5,432,400	73.9%		
Total	8,129,992	$\underline{100.0}\%$	5,760,823	$\underline{100.0}\%$	7,355,978	$\underline{100.0\%}$		

Notes:

<sup>(1)</sup> Geographical location is solely based on the places of registration of our customers.

<sup>(2)</sup> Mainly including Japan, South Korea and Singapore.

According to Frost & Sullivan, in the semiconductor industry, customers typically prefer to order electronic components through their Hong Kong subsidiaries due to supply chain management considerations.

#### **Cost of Sales**

Our cost of sales primarily consists of (i) cost of wafers, (ii) cost of packaging and testing, (iii) others, mainly include the depreciation of fixed assets, such as masks, and amortization of intangible assets, such as licensed IPs and logistics expenses, and (iv) the write-down of inventories.

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2022		2023		2024	
		(in RMB i	housands, exce	ept for perce	entages)	
Cost of wafers	3,281,654	74.0%	2,872,854	71.5%	3,262,675	69.0%
testing	853,427	19.3%	765,521	19.1%	1,107,100	23.4%
Others	120,275	2.7%	139,433	3.5%	190,850	4.0%
Subtotal	<b>4,255,356</b> 177,420	<b>96.0%</b> 4.0%	<b>3,777,808</b> 236,707	<b>94.1%</b> 5.9%	<b>4,560,625</b> 172,135	<b>96.4%</b> 3.6%
Total	4,432,776	100.0%	4,014,515	100.0%	4,732,760	100.0%

According to Frost & Sullivan, the cost of wafers is more directly influenced by market price fluctuations within the industry cycle, whereas the cost of testing and packaging tends to be less affected by such changes. Affected by the cyclical downturns and uneven recovery across different end markets during the Track Record Period, the unit wafer costs decreased from 2022 to 2023, followed by a slowdown in the downward trend in 2024. However, the unit packaging and testing costs remained relatively stable during the same years. As a result, cost of wafers as a percentage of our total cost of sales decreased throughout the Track Record Period.

During the Track Record Period, we recorded write-down of inventories due to the lower estimated realizable value of our inventories than their costs. Due to the continuous decrease in selling prices of our products, we recorded write-down of inventories of RMB177.4 million, RMB236.7 million and RMB172.1 million in 2022, 2023 and 2024, respectively.

### **Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margin**

# By Product

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	2022		2023		2024		
	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	
		(in RMB t	housands, exc	ept for perce	ntages)		
Specialty memory chips	1,934,749	40.1%	1,344,959	33.0%	2,091,500	40.3%	
MCU	1,833,903	64.9%	569,404	43.4%	621,085	36.7%	
Sensor chips	71,168	16.4%	56,382	16.0%	73,797	16.5%	
Analog chips	959	24.9%	(1,923)	(41.8%)	1,628	10.5%	
Others	33,857	84.7%	14,193	99.6%	7,343	98.0%	
Subtotal/Overall	3,874,636	47.7%	1,983,015	34.4%	2,795,353	38.0%	
Write-down of inventories	(177,420)	N/A	(236,707)	N/A	(172,135)	N/A	
Total/Overall	3,697,216	45.5%	1,746,308	30.3%	2,623,218	35.7%	

## By Sales Channel

Year Ended December 31,

	2022		2023		2024	<u> </u>		
	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin		
	(in RMB thousands, except for percentages)							
Distributor sales	3,464,213	47.7%	1,783,113	34.2%	2,457,350	37.5%		
Direct sales	410,423	47.5%	199,902	36.6%	338,003	42.1%		
Subtotal/Overall	3,874,636	47.7%	1,983,015	34.4%	2,795,353	38.0%		
Write-down of inventories	(177,420)	N/A	(236,707)	N/A	(172,135)	N/A		
Total/Overall	3,697,216	45.5%	1,746,308	30.3%	2,623,218	35.7%		

In 2023 and 2024, the gross profit margin from our direct sales was higher than distributor sales, primarily because the majority of prices to direct customer were generally higher than the prices to the distributors which were typically on wholesale basis. However, in 2022, the gross profit margin of our direct sales and distributor sales were similar primarily due to the affect from product mix.

### By Geographical Location

	Year Ended December 31,						
	2022		2023		2024		
	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	
		(in RMB t	housands, exc	ept for perce	entages)		
Mainland China <sup>(1)</sup>	671,001	40.3%	381,352	28.6%	575,384	29.9%	
Other regions or countries <sup>(1)</sup> Hong Kong	2,043,277	47.0%	844,100	29.0%	1,109,122	32.9%	
Taiwan	491,883	50.6%	393,804	44.1%	566,648	48.1%	
Others <sup>(2)</sup>	668,475	58.1%	363,759	58.6%	544,199	61.8%	
Sub-total	3,203,635	49.5%	1,601,663	36.2%	2,219,969	40.9%	
Write-down of inventories	(177,420)	N/A	(236,707)	N/A	(172,135)	N/A	
Total	3,697,216	45.5%	1,746,308	30.3%	2,623,218	35.7%	

Notes:

During the Track Record Period, the gross profit margin from sales to other countries or regions was generally higher than that in mainland China, primarily due to a different product mix in those regions, which typically have a higher gross profit margin.

#### Other Income

Our other income primarily include (i) interest income mainly generated from our deposits with banks, (ii) foreign exchange differences from the conversion of monetary items denominated in foreign currencies into the functional currency, (iii) government grants, and (iv) gains from financial assets measured at FVPL for our wealth management products. There are no unfulfilled conditions or contingencies relating to the government grants. See note 5 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report."

In 2022, 2023 and 2024, our other income amounted to RMB519.3 million, RMB424.4 million and RMB549.9 million, representing 6.4%, 7.4% and 7.5% of our total revenue for the respective years.

<sup>(1)</sup> Geographical location is solely based on the places of registration of our customers.

<sup>(2)</sup> Mainly including Japan, South Korea and Singapore.

### **Selling and Distribution Expenses**

Our selling and distribution expenses primarily include (i) salaries, compensations and benefits for personnel engaging in the sales and marketing function, (ii) professional service fees for commission in relation to the promotional activities of our products, (iii) marketing expenses in relation to advertising and promotion expenses, (iv) traveling expenses, and (v) others, mainly include depreciation and amortization and business development expenses.

	Year Ended December 31,						
	2022		2023		2024		
		(in RMB th	nousands, exce	ept for percer	ntages)		
Salaries, compensations and							
benefits	189,598	71.3%	174,933	64.7%	266,018	71.8%	
Professional service fees	46,430	17.5%	53,082	19.6%	56,587	15.3%	
Marketing expenses	10,886	4.1%	14,204	5.3%	13,888	3.7%	
Traveling expenses	4,615	1.7%	13,605	5.0%	15,747	4.2%	
Others	14,349	5.4%	14,674	5.4%	18,667	5.0%	
Total	265,878	100.0%	270,498	100.0%	370,907	100.0%	
as % of total revenue		3.3%		4.7%		5.0%	

# **Administrative Expenses**

Our administrative expenses primarily include (i) salaries, compensations and benefits for personnel engaging in administrative function, (ii) depreciation and amortization for properties and equipment related to administrative function, (iii) service fees mainly for professional services and IT services, (iv) taxes and additional charges, (v) office expenses, (vi) logistics expenses, and (vi) others, mainly include lease expenses, recruitment expenses and utility expenses.

		Ye	ar Ended De	cember 31,		
	2022		2023		2024	
		(in RMB th	ousands, exce	ept for percer	itages)	
Salaries, compensations and						
benefits	271,566	54.5%	194,499	48.9%	307,791	58.6%
Depreciation and						
amortization	45,119	9.1%	64,636	16.3%	60,049	11.4%
Service fees	52,189	10.5%	55,745	14.0%	50,680	9.6%
Taxes and additional						
charges	71,660	14.4%	25,198	6.3%	31,247	5.9%
Office expenses	11,014	2.2%	17,855	4.5%	19,569	3.7%
Logistics expenses	8,338	1.7%	9,192	2.3%	10,925	2.1%
Others	38,663	7.6%	30,428	7.7%	45,417	8.7%
Total	498,549	$\overline{100.0}\%$	397,553	$\overline{100.0}\%$	525,678	100.0%
as % of total revenue		6.1%		6.9%	<del></del>	7.1%

### Research and Development Expenses

Our research and development expenses primarily include (i) salaries, compensations and benefits for personnel engaging in R&D function, (ii) depreciation and amortization for properties and equipment related to research and development function, (iii) service fees for professional services associated with R&D activities, and (iv) others, mainly include material expenses, testing expenses, lease expenses and traveling expenses.

	Year Ended December 31,						
	2022		2023		2024		
		(in RMB th	ousands, exce	ept for perce	entages)		
Salaries, compensations and							
benefits	609,480	65.1%	580,966	58.7%	742,591	66.2%	
Depreciation and							
amortization	218,495	23.4%	287,943	29.1%	265,448	23.7%	
Service fees	56,727	6.1%	43,310	4.4%	60,280	5.4%	
Others	50,882	5.4%	77,734	7.8%	54,070	4.7%	
Total	935,584	<u>100.0</u> %	989,953	100.0%	1,122,389	100.0%	
as % of total revenue		11.5%		17.2%		15.3%	

## **Impairment Loss on Goodwill**

We recorded an impairment loss on goodwill of RMB241.5 million in 2022 and RMB373.4 million in 2023, because Silead would not generate the benefits as originally expected after evaluation of its business performance. See "— Selected Items of Consolidated Statements of Financial Position — Goodwill."

#### **Income Tax**

Our income tax expenses comprise current tax and deferred tax. See note 7 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report."

We are subject to income tax on an entity basis on profits arising in or derived from the tax jurisdictions in which the members of us are domiciled and operate. Entities of the Group established in the mainland China were subject to the PRC corporate income tax rate of 25% during the Track Record Period. The provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax for the Track Record Period was calculated at 16.5% of the estimated assessable profits for the year. During the Track Record Period, a subsidiary of the Group incorporated in Hong Kong was under the two-tiered profits tax rate regime, i.e. the first Hong Kong Dollars ("HK\$") 2,000,000 of assessable profits were taxed at 8.25% and the remaining assessable profits were taxed at 16.5%. For tax rates in other jurisdictions in which we operate, please see note 7 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report."

We are subject to certain preferential tax rates. We and certain subsidiaries are regarded as key enterprises in the industry. According to the announcement on preferential corporate income tax policies for key enterprises, we and these subsidiaries were subject to a preferential tax rate of 10% during the Track Record Period. We and these subsidiaries were also entitled to an additional tax deductible allowance amounting to 120% of the qualified research and development costs incurred for each of the years during the Track Record Period. Certain subsidiaries of us obtained the certificates of "High and New Technology Enterprise" ("HNTE") from the tax authorities and were subject to a preferential tax rate of 15% during the Track Record Period. These subsidiaries were also entitled to an additional tax deductible allowance amounting to 75% or 100% of the qualified research and development costs incurred for each of the years during the Track Record Period. See note 7 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report."

As of the Latest Practicable Date and during the Track Record Period, we had fulfilled all our tax obligations and did not have any unresolved tax disputes.

#### PERIOD-TO-PERIOD COMPARISON OF RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

### Year Ended December 31, 2024 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2023

#### Revenue

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2023	2024	% Change		
	(in RMB thousands, except for percentages)				
Specialty memory chips	4,077,311	5,194,173	27.4%		
MCU	1,312,209	1,690,547	28.8%		
Sensor chips	352,449	448,300	27.2%		
Analog chips	4,604	15,468	236.0%		
Others	14,250	7,490	(47.4)%		
Total	5,760,823	7,355,978	27.7%		

# Sales Volume and Average Selling Prices

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2023		2024		
	Sales volume	Average selling price	Sales volume	Average selling price	
	(Unit'000)	(RMB)	(Unit'000)	(RMB)	
Specialty memory chips	2,655,166	1.54	3,553,167	1.46	
MCU	276,089	4.75	409,251	4.13	
Sensor chips	178,811	1.97	267,983	1.67	
Analog chips	11,625	0.40	131,183	0.12	

Our revenue increased by 27.7% from RMB5,760.8 million in 2023 to RMB7,356.0 million in 2024, primarily due to (i) a 27.4% increase in revenue from sales of specialty memory chips, and (ii) a 28.8% increase in revenue from sales of MCU.

In particular, we experienced an across-the-board increase in sales volume for all our product categories, primarily due to (i) the gradual recovery of demands due to development in various downstream markets such as consumer electronics and network application (for Flash, niche DRAM, MCU, analog chips and sensor chips), automobiles (for Flash and MCU) and industrial applications (for MCU), and (ii) our customers' recognition of our products due to its quality and competitiveness.

On the other hand, intense competition generally resulted in lower average selling prices of our products. In particular, several leading industry players of DRAM started to drawdown their inventory of certain types of their niche DRAM that reached their ends of product lives, which resulted in a decrease in the market prices of niche DRAM in the second half of 2024. A change of our analog chip product mix also negatively affected the average selling prices of our analog chips. However, recovery of market demand resulted in a slower rate of overall average selling prices decrease in 2024 as compared in 2023.

Our revenue from others decreased from RMB14.3 million in 2023 to RMB7.5 million in 2024, primarily due to the decrease in customized technical services demanded by our customers.

#### Cost of Sales

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2023	2024	% Change	
	(in RMB thous	vercentages)		
Cost of wafers	2,872,854	3,262,675	13.6%	
Cost of packaging and testing	765,521	1,107,100	44.6%	
Others	139,433	190,850	36.9%	
Subtotal	3,777,808	4,560,625	20.7%	
Write-down of inventories	236,707	172,135	(27.3)%	
Total	4,014,515	4,732,760	17.9%	

Our cost of sales increased by 17.9% from RMB4,014.5 million in 2023 to RMB4,732.8 million in 2024, primarily due to the increase in our sales volume from 2023 to 2024. The 27.3% decrease in write-down of inventories from 2023 to 2024 reflected the stabilization of the prices of our products.

#### Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margin

	Year Ended December 31,				
	202	23	2024		
	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	
	(in RMB thousands, except for percentages)				
Specialty memory chips	1,344,959	33.0%	2,091,500	40.3%	
MCU	569,404	43.4%	621,085	36.7%	
Sensor chips	56,382	16.0%	73,797	16.5%	
Analog chips	(1,923)	(41.8)%	1,628	10.5%	
Others	14,193	99.6%	7,343	98.0%	
Subtotal	1,983,015	34.4%	2,795,353	38.0%	
Write-down of inventories	(236,707)		(172,135)		
Total/Overall	1,746,308	30.3%	2,623,218	35.7%	

Our gross profit increased by 50.2% from RMB1,746.3 million in 2023 to RMB2,623.2 million in 2024, primarily due to a 27.7% increase in our total revenue and an increase in gross profit margin from 30.3% in 2023 to 35.7% in 2024.

### Specialty memory chips

Our gross profits from specialty memory chips increased by 55.5% from RMB1,345.0 million in 2023 to RMB2,091.5 million in 2024, primarily due to (i) a 27.4% increase in revenue from sales of specialty memory chips from 2023 to 2024, and (ii) an increase in gross profit margin from 33.0% in 2023 to 40.3% in 2024. The increase in the gross profit margin of our specialty memory products was primarily due to the fact that the selling prices of our specialty memory chips stabilized, which was in line with the industry cycle and our continuous efforts in cost control, which resulted in a lower cost per unit.

#### MCU

Our gross profits from MCU increased by 9.1% from RMB569.4 million in 2023 to RMB621.1 million in 2024, primarily due to a 28.8% increase in revenue from sales of MCU, which was partially offset by a decrease in gross profit margin from 43.4% in 2023 to 36.7% in 2024. The decrease in gross profit margin was primarily due to intense competition.

Sensor chips

Our gross profit from sensor chips increased by 30.9% from RMB56.4 million in 2023 to RMB73.8 million in 2024, primarily due to a 27.2% increase in revenue from sales of sensor chips. Gross profit margin from sensor chips remained relatively stable at 16.0% in 2023 and 16.5% in 2024.

Analog chips

In 2024, we managed to turn gross losses of RMB1.9 million for analog chips in 2023 into gross profits of RMB1.6 million for analog chips, primarily due to the decrease in the costs of our analog chips as a result of a decrease in per unit cost as affected by the industry cycle and our continuous efforts in cost control, which outpaced the decrease in the average selling price of our products.

Others

The gross profit from others decreased from RMB14.2 million in 2023 to RMB7.3 million in 2024, primarily due to a 47.4% decrease in revenue from others. The gross profit margin from others remained relative stable at 99.6% in 2023 and 98.0% in 2024.

#### Other Income

Other income increased by 29.6% from RMB424.4 million in 2023 to RMB549.9 million in 2024, primarily due to (i) a RMB95.8 million increase in interest income in 2024 primarily due to the increase in our deposits with banks, and (ii) a RMB101.5 million increase in gains from foreign exchange difference mainly as a result of fluctuations in exchange rate from USD to RMB.

#### Selling and Distribution Expenses

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2023	2024	% Change	
	(in RMB thousands, except for percentages)			
Selling and distribution expenses	270,498	370,907	37.1%	
as % of total revenue	4.7%	5.0%		

Our selling and distribution expenses increased by 37.1% from RMB270.5 million in 2023 to RMB370.9 million in 2024, primarily due to an increase in salaries, compensations and benefits of RMB91.1 million, primarily attributable to an increase in bonus and share-based payments for our sales personnel which were associated with the results of performance. As such, as a percentage of our total revenue, our selling and distribution expenses increased from 4.7% in 2023 to 5.0% in 2024.

#### Administrative Expenses

	Year Ended Dec	ember 31,	
	2023	2024	% Change
	(in RMB thousa	nds, except for per	centages)
Administrative expenses	397,553	525,678	32.2%
as % of total revenue	6.9%	7.1%	

Our administrative expenses increased by 32.2% from RMB397.6 million in 2023 to RMB525.7 million in 2024, primarily due to an increase in salaries, compensations and benefits of RMB113.3 million, primarily attributable to an increase in bonus and share-based payments for our administrative personnel which were associated with the results of performance. As such, as a percentage of our total revenue, our administrative expenses increased from 6.9% in 2023 to 7.1% in 2024.

## Research and Development Expenses

_	Year Ended December 31,			
_	2023	2024	% Change	
	(in RMB thousands, except for percentages)			
Research and development expenses	989,953	1,122,389	13.4%	
as % of total revenue	17.2%	15.3%		

Our research and development expenses increased by 13.4% from RMB990.0 million in 2023 to RMB1,122.4 million in 2024, primarily due to an increase in salaries, compensations and benefits of RMB161.6 million, primarily attributable to an increase in number of our R&D personnel and an increase in bonus for our R&D personnel as incentives. As a percentage of our total revenue, our research and development expenses decreased from 17.2% in 2023 to 15.3% in 2024 despite an increase in absolute amounts, primarily due to a rapid increase in revenue as a result of the recovery of downstream demand for our products in 2024.

#### Income Tax

We recorded income tax expenses of RMB22.8 million in 2024, as compared to the income tax credit of RMB36.4 million in 2023, primarily due to the decrease in profit before tax in 2023.

### Profit for the Year

As a result of the foregoing, our profit for the year increased significantly from RMB161.1 million in 2023 to RMB1,100.9 million in 2024.

# Year Ended December 31, 2023 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2022

#### Revenue

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2022	2023	% Change		
	(in RMB thousands, except for percentages)				
Specialty memory chips	4,825,856	4,077,311	(15.5)%		
MCU	2,825,357	1,312,209	(53.6)%		
Sensor chips	434,974	352,449	(19.0)%		
Analog chips	3,851	4,604	19.6%		
Others	39,954	14,250	(64.3)%		
Total	8,129,992	5,760,823	(29.1)%		

## Sales Volume and Average Selling Prices

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2022		2023		
	Sales volume	Average Sales volume selling price		Average selling price	
	(Unit'000)	(RMB)	(Unit'000)	(RMB)	
Specialty memory chips	2,259,645	2.14	2,655,166	1.54	
MCU	343,535	8.22	276,089	4.75	
Sensor chips	157,130	2.77	178,811	1.97	
Analog chips	2,796	1.38	11,625	0.40	

Our revenue decreased by 29.1% from RMB8,130.0 million in 2022 to RMB5,760.8 million in 2023 primarily due to industry cycle that led to decreases in revenues from our specialty memory chips, MCU and sensor chips. See "— Significant Factors Affecting Our Results of Operations — Industry Cycle."

Specialty memory chips

Our revenue from specialty memory chips decreased by 15.5% from RMB4,825.9 million in 2022 to RMB4,077.3 million in 2023, primarily due to a 28.0% decrease in average selling price from RMB2.14 per unit in 2022 to RMB1.54 per unit in 2023 primarily attributable to cyclical downturn. The decrease in average selling price was partially offset by a 17.5% increase in sales volume of our specialty memory chips from 2,259.6 million units in 2022 to 2,655.2 million units in 2023 primarily due to the increase in sales of Flash in network application.

MCU

Our revenue from MCU decreased by 53.6% from RMB2,825.4 million in 2022 to RMB1,312.2 million in 2023, primarily due to (i) a 19.6% decrease in sales volume from 343.5 million units in 2022 to 276.1 million units in 2023, and (ii) a 42.2% decrease in average selling price from RMB8.22 per unit in 2022 to RMB4.75 per unit in 2023. Such decreases were primarily attributable to cyclical downturn, as well as a decrease in proportion in sales of high-performance and mainstream products due to the decrease in demand in industrial applications, which had a relatively higher selling price. See "— Significant Factors Affecting Our Results of Operations — Industry Cycle."

Sensor chips

Our revenue from sensor chips decreased by 19.0% from RMB435.0 million in 2022 to RMB352.4 million in 2023, primarily due to a 28.9% decrease in average selling price from RMB2.77 per unit to RMB1.97 per unit. The decrease in selling price was primarily attributable to the cyclical downturn. However, such decrease in selling price was partially offset by a 13.8% increase in sales volume of our sensor chips, as a result of our continuous efforts in promoting of our products to increase the market share.

Analog chips

Our revenue from analog chips increased by 19.6% from RMB3.9 million in 2022 to RMB4.6 million in 2023, primarily due to a significant increase in sales volume from 2.8 million units in 2022 to 11.6 million units in 2023 as a result of the growing market recognition of the quality and performance of our analog chips and an increase in the market share of our analog chips. Such increase in sales volume was partially offset by a rapid decrease in the average selling price of our analog chips from RMB1.38 per unit in 2022 to RMB0.40 per unit in 2023 primarily due to cyclical downturns as well as the change in product mix.

#### Others

Our revenue from others decreased from RMB40.0 million in 2022 to RMB14.3 million in 2023, primarily due to (i) a decrease in customized technical services demanded by our customers, and (ii) the fact that our customers accepted and adopted more of our existing techniques in 2023 that were typically priced lower as compared with the customized technical services.

### Cost of Sales

	Year Ended De		
	2022	2023	% Change
	(in RMB thou.	percentages)	
Cost of wafers	3,281,654	2,872,854	(12.5)%
Cost of packaging and testing	853,427	765,521	(10.3)%
Others	120,275	139,433	15.9%
Subtotal	4,255,356	3,777,808	(11.2)%
Write-down of inventories	177,420	236,707	33.4%
Total	4,432,776	4,014,515	(9.4)%

Our cost of sales decreased by 9.4% from RMB4,432.8 million in 2022 to RMB4,014.5 million in 2023, primarily due to a 12.5% decrease in cost of wafers and a 10.3% decrease in cost of packaging and testing, primarily due to a decrease in unit costs of our products as a result of the cyclical downturn in the semiconductor industry. The 33.4% increase in write-down of inventories from 2022 to 2023 reflected the decrease in the selling price of our products as affected by the industry cycle.

### Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margin

		Year Ended D	ecember 31,	
	20	22	20	23
	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin
	(in I	RMB thousands, ex	cept for percenta	ges)
Specialty memory chips	1,934,749	40.1%	1,344,959	33.0%
MCU	1,833,903	64.9%	569,404	43.4%
Sensor chips	71,168	16.4%	56,382	16.0%
Analog chips	959	24.9%	(1,923)	(41.8)%
Others	33,857	84.7%	14,193	99.6%
Subtotal/Overall	3,874,636	47.7%	1,983,015	34.4%
Write-down of inventories	(177,420)		(236,707)	
Total/Overall	3,697,216	45.5%	1,746,308	30.3%

Our gross profit decreased by 52.8% from RMB3,697.2 million in 2022 to RMB1,746.3 million in 2023, primarily due to a 29.1% decrease in our total revenue and a decrease in our gross margin from 45.5% in 2022 to 30.3% in 2023.

Specialty memory chips

Our gross profits from specialty memory chips decreased by 30.5% from RMB1,934.7 million in 2022 to RMB1,345.0 million in 2023, primarily due to (i) a 15.5% decrease in revenue from sales of specialty memory chips, and (ii) a decrease in gross profit margin from 40.1% in 2022 to 33.0% in 2023, which in turn was primarily due to a steeper decrease in selling price due to a cyclical downturn, as compared with the decrease in per unit cost of wafers as there was a time lag in cost reduction.

MCU

Our gross profits from MCU decreased by 69.0% from RMB1,833.9 million in 2022 to RMB569.4 million in 2023, primarily due to (i) a 53.6% decrease in revenue from sales of MCU, and (ii) a decrease in gross profit margin from 64.9% in 2022 to 43.4% in 2023, which in turn was primarily due to a steeper decrease in selling price due to a cyclical downturn, as compared with the decrease in per unit cost of wafers as there was a time lag in cost reduction.

Sensor chips

Our gross profit from sensor chips decreased by 20.8% from RMB71.2 million in 2022 to RMB56.4 million in 2023, primarily due to a 19.0% decrease in revenue from sales of sensor chips. The gross profit margin of our sensor chips remained relatively stable at 16.4% in 2022 and 16.0% in 2023.

Analog chips

In 2023, we recorded gross loss for our analog chips of RMB1.9 million, as compared to the gross profit of RMB1.0 million in 2022, primarily due to a steeper decrease in selling price due to a cyclical downturn and our competitive pricing policy of analog chips for expanding our market share, as compared with the decrease in per unit cost of wafers as there was a time lag in cost reduction.

Others

The gross profit from others decreased by 58.1% from RMB33.9 million in 2022 to RMB14.2 million in 2023, primarily due to a 64.3% decrease in revenue from others, which was partially offset by an increase in gross profit margin from 84.7% in 2022 to 99.6%. Such increase in gross profit margin was primarily due to the fact that our customers accepted and adopted more of our existing techniques in 2023 that were of higher gross profit margin for less relevant costs.

#### Other Income

Other income decreased by 18.3% from RMB519.3 million in 2022 to RMB424.4 million in 2023, primarily due to a decrease in gain from foreign exchange differences of RMB165.8 million primarily attributable to fluctuation in exchange rate between USD to RMB, which was partially offset by an increase in interest income of RMB81.2 million as a result of an increase in deposits with banks.

#### Selling and Distribution Expenses

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2023	% Change
	(in RMB thousa	nds, except for pe	rcentages)
Selling and distribution expenses	265,878	270,498	1.7%
as % of total revenue	3.3%	4.7%	

Our selling and distribution expenses remained relatively stable at RMB265.9 million in 2022 and RMB270.5 million in 2023 as we maintained our sales and marketing efforts in response to the increasing market competition. As a percentage of our total revenue, our selling and distribution expenses increased from 3.3% in 2022 to 4.7% in 2023.

#### Administrative Expenses

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2022	2023	% Change	
	(in RMB thousa	ands, except for pe	rcentages)	
Administrative expenses	498,549	397,553	(20.3)%	
as % of total revenue	6.1%	6.9%		

Our administrative expenses decreased by 20.3% from RMB498.5 million in 2022 to RMB397.6 million in 2023, primarily due to (i) a decrease in salaries, compensations and benefits of RMB77.1 million, primarily attributable to a decrease in bonus and share-based payments which were associated with our results of operations, (ii) a decrease in taxes and addition charges of RMB46.5 million, primarily due to the decrease in revenue in 2023, which was partially offset by an increase in depreciation and amortization of RMB19.5 million primarily attributable to our continuous investment in fixed assets and software for management purposes.

#### Research and Development Expenses

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2022	2023	% Change	
	(in RMB thousa	ands, except for pe	rcentages)	
Research and development expenses	935,584	989,953	5.8%	
as % of total revenue	11.5%	17.2%		

Our research and development expenses increased from RMB935.6 million in 2022 to RMB990.0 million in 2023, primarily due to an increase in depreciation and amortization of RMB69.4 million primarily attributable to an increase in equipment for R&D activities. Such increase was partially offset by a decrease in salaries, compensations and benefits of RMB28.5 million, primarily attributable to a decrease in bonus and share-based payments which were associated with our results of operations. Our research and development expenses as a percentage of our total revenue increased from 11.5% in 2022 to 17.2% in 2023, primarily due to a decrease in revenue in 2023.

#### Income Tax

We recorded an income tax credit of RMB36.4 million in 2023, as compared to the income tax expenses of RMB209.5 million in 2022, primarily due to a decrease in profit before tax in 2023.

## Profit for the Year

As a result of the foregoing, our profit for the year decreased significantly from RMB2,052.9 million in 2022 to RMB161.1 million in 2023.

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

During the Track Record Period, we financed our operations primarily through cash generated from our operating activities. As of April 30, 2025, we had cash and cash equivalents of RMB9,240.3 million.

Going forward, we believe our liquidity requirements will be satisfied by using funds from a combination of cash generated from our operating activities and net [REDACTED] from the [REDACTED].

Taking into account the net [REDACTED] from the [REDACTED] and cash generated from our operating activities available to us, our Directors believe that we have sufficient working capital to meet our present and future cash requirements for at least the next 12 months from the date of publication of this document.

#### **Net Current Assets/Liabilities**

The table below sets forth our current assets and liabilities as of the dates indicated.

As of December 31,			As of April 30,
2022	2023	2024	2025
	(in RMB t	housands)	(unaudited)
1,857,548	1,805,558	120,000	100,545
2,153,876	1,990,866	2,346,368	2,337,326
173,930	127,280	231,791	306,548
320,097	386,020	608,614	682,176
34,342	27,371	14	4,575
6,874,850	7,265,862	9,128,010	9,240,301
11,414,643	11,602,957	12,434,797	12,671,471
479,266	501,844	733,599	586,833
598,626	351,661	522,731	333,382
82,917	88,091	94,532	104,091
_	_	898,221	771,186
34,433	41,876	53,113	60,068
1,422	2,703	28,311	7,117
1,196,664	986,175	2,330,507	1,862,677
10,217,979	10,616,782	10,104,290	10,808,794
	1,857,548 2,153,876 173,930 320,097 34,342 6,874,850 11,414,643 479,266 598,626 82,917 - 34,433 1,422 1,196,664	2022     2023       1,857,548     1,805,558       2,153,876     1,990,866       173,930     127,280       320,097     386,020       34,342     27,371       6,874,850     7,265,862       11,414,643     11,602,957       479,266     501,844       598,626     351,661       82,917     88,091       -     -       34,433     41,876       1,422     2,703       1,196,664     986,175	2022         2023         2024           (in RMB thousands)         1,857,548         1,805,558         120,000           2,153,876         1,990,866         2,346,368         173,930         127,280         231,791           320,097         386,020         608,614         34,342         27,371         14           6,874,850         7,265,862         9,128,010         11,414,643         11,602,957         12,434,797           479,266         501,844         733,599         598,626         351,661         522,731           82,917         88,091         94,532         898,221           34,433         41,876         53,113           1,422         2,703         28,311           1,196,664         986,175         2,330,507

#### Comparison between April 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024

Our net current assets increased from RMB10,104.3 million as of December 31, 2024 to RMB10,808.8 million as of April 30, 2025, primarily due to (i) an increase in current assets, mainly including (a) an increase in trade and bills receivables of RMB74.8 million primarily attributable to the increase in sales of our products, (b) an increase in prepayment and other current assets of RMB73.6 million primarily attributable to the increase in procurement, (c) an increase in cash at bank and on hand of RMB112.3 million, and (ii) a decrease in current liabilities, mainly including (a) a decrease in trade payables of RMB146.8 million primarily attributable to the subsequent settlement, (b) a decrease in accruals and other payables of RMB189.3 million primarily attributable to the subsequent payment of declared bonus, and (c) a decrease in bank loans of RMB127.0 million primarily attributable to the repayments.

#### Comparison between December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023

Our net current assets decreased from RMB10,616.8 million as of December 31, 2023 to RMB10,104.3 million as of December 31, 2024, primarily due to an increase in current liabilities, mainly including (i) an increase in trade payables of RMB231.8 million, (ii) an increase in accruals and other payables of RMB171.1 million, and (iii) an increase of bank loans of RMB898.2 million. Such increase in current liabilities was partially offset by an increase in current assets, mainly including (i) an increase in inventories of RMB355.5 million, and (ii) an increase in cash at bank and on hand of RMB1,862.1 million, that was partially offset by a decrease in financial assets measured at FVPL of RMB1,685.6 million. See "— Selected Items of Consolidated Statements of Financial Position" for further details.

### Comparison between December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022

Our net current assets increased from RMB10,218.0 million as of December 31, 2022 to RMB10,616.8 million as of December 31, 2023, primarily due to (i) an increase in current assets, mainly including an increase in cash at bank and on hand of RMB391.0 million, partially offset by a decrease in inventories of RMB163.0 million, and (ii) a decrease in current liabilities, mainly include a decrease in accruals and other payables of RMB247.0 million. See "— Selected Items of Consolidated Statements of Financial Position" for further details.

#### SELECTED ITEMS OF CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

#### **Inventories**

Our inventories include raw materials, work in progress, finished goods and others. The table below sets forth the breakdown of our inventories as of the dates indicated.

	As of December 31,			
	2022	2023	2024	
	(in	RMB thousands)		
Raw materials	1,192,425	1,339,048	1,134,950	
Work in progress	261,161	289,985	426,950	
Finished goods	928,945	706,050	1,156,432	
Others <sup>(1)</sup>	_	_	859	
Less: write-down of inventories	(228,655)	(344,217)	(372,823)	
Total	2,153,876	1,990,866	2,346,368	

Note:

<sup>(1)</sup> Mainly including contract fulfillment cost.

Our inventories decreased from RMB2,153.9 million as of December 31, 2022 to RMB1,990.9 million as of December 31, 2023, primarily due to an increase in the provision for write-down of inventories primarily due to the cyclical industry downturns that led to a weakened market demand. Our inventories increased from RMB1,990.9 million as of December 31, 2023 to RMB2,346.4 million as of December 31, 2024, due to (i) an increase in inventory level in response to the gradual recovery in market demands in 2024, and (ii) the newly additions of inventories through acquisition of Xysemi.

## Turnover Days

The table below sets forth the turnover days of our inventories for the periods indicated.

	Year Ended December 31,		
-	2022	2023	2024
Inventory turnover days <sup>(1)</sup>	148	188	167
Note:			

Our inventory turnover days increased from 148 days in 2022 to 188 days in 2023, primarily due to the cyclical industry downturns that led to a weakened market demand, which in turn resulted in a slower turnover of our inventories in 2023. Our inventory turnover days decreased to 167 days in 2024, primarily due to (i) the gradual recovery in market demands in 2024, and (ii) our active measures, including optimizing the procurement time and enhanced product promotion activities, to accelerate our inventory turnover.

#### Aging Analysis

The table below sets forth an aging analysis of our inventories as of the dates indicated.

	As of December 31,			
	2022	2023	2024	
	(in RMB thousands)			
Within one year	2,103,493	1,828,898	2,284,906	
One to two years	50,383	161,968	61,462	
Total	2,153,876	1,990,866	2,346,368	

#### Subsequent utilization

As of April 30, 2025, 73.0% of our total inventories as of December 31, 2024, or RMB1,712.8 million, were utilized or sold.

<sup>(1)</sup> Inventory turnover days for each year equals the average of the beginning and ending balances of inventory for that period divided by cost of sales for that year and multiplied by 365 days.

#### Trade and Bills Receivables

Our trade and bill receivables mainly arise from the provision of credit terms to our customers. We typically require our distributors to make prepayments for the products. We may provide certain distributors or direct sales customers credit terms ranging from seven days to 120 days according to our customer credit management policy, depending on their operating situations, financial condition and expected transaction volume.

The table below sets forth the breakdown of our trade and bills receivables as of the dates indicated.

_	As of December 31,			
	2022	2023	2024	
	(in RMB thousands)			
Trade receivables	142,625	114,147	212,601	
Bills receivables	31,809	13,133	19,775	
Less: credit loss allowance	(504)		(585)	
Total	<u>173,930</u>	<u>127,280</u>	231,791	

Our trade and bills receivables decreased from RMB173.9 million as of December 31, 2022 to RMB127.3 million as of December 31, 2023, primarily due to (i) the collection of trade and bills receivables upon maturity, (ii) a decrease in sales as a result of cyclical industry downturn that led to a weakened market demand. Our trade and bills receivables increased from RMB127.3 million as of December 31, 2023 to RMB231.8 million as of December 31, 2024, primarily due to an increase in the sales of our products in 2024 as a result of the gradually recovered downstream demand and our continuous efforts in marketing and enriching our product offerings.

# Aging Analysis and Impairment

The table below sets forth an aging analysis of our trade receivables as of the dates indicated.

_	As of December 31,			
_	2022	2023	2024	
	(in RMB thousands)			
Within 3 months	134,502	114,147	211,221	
than 1 year	7,619		795	
Total	142,121	114,147	212,016	

Further details on the Group's credit policy and credit risk arising from trade receivables, see note 32(a) to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report."

#### Turnover Days

The table below sets forth the turnover days of our trade and bills receivables for the periods indicated.

_	Year Ended December 31,		
-	2022	2023	2024
Trade and bills receivables turnover days (1)	12	10	9
Note:			

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(1) Trade and bills receivables turnover days for each year equals the average of the beginning and ending balances of trade and bills receivables for that year divided by revenue for that period and multiplied by 365 days.

As a result of our continuous efforts in collecting our trade and bills receivables, our turnover days for trade and bills receivables were 12 days, 10 days and 9 days in 2022, 2023 and 2024.

#### Subsequent settlement

As of April 30, 2025, 100.0% of our total trade and bills receivables as of December 31, 2024, or RMB231.8 million, were settled.

### Prepayment and Other Current Assets

Our prepayments and other current assets primarily include (i) prepayments for wafer fabrication, packaging and testing, (ii) other receivables from non-controlling interests as a result of acquisition of XySemi, (iii) input VAT deductible and (iv) current portion of other non-current assets, which represent the portion of deposit we made to reserve capacity at our foundry partners that can be applied against the purchase price of the wafers in accordance with the contract terms.

The table below sets forth the breakdown of our prepayments and other current assets as of the dates indicated.

_	As of December 31,		
_	2022	2023	2024
	(in RMB thousands)		
Other receivables	14,855	16,144	215,738
Less: loss allowance	(2,298)	(3,518)	(8,086)
Prepayments for inventories to third parties	35,082	24,183	24,533
Input VAT deductible	62,261	81,968	108,454
Current portion of other non-current assets	194,000	243,000	250,000
Others	16,197	24,243	17,975
Total	320,097	386,020	608,614

Our prepayments and other current assets increased from RMB320.1 million as of December 31, 2022 to RMB386.0 million as of December 31, 2023, primarily due to an increase in current portion of other non-current assets of RMB49.0 million. Our prepayments and other current assets increased from RMB386.0 million as of December 31, 2023 to RMB608.6 million as of December 31, 2024, primarily due to an increase in other receivables resulted from the acquisition of Xysemi.

## Subsequent utilization/settlement

As of April 30, 2025, 57.0% of our prepayment and other current assets as of December 31, 2024, or RMB346.7 million, were utilized or settled.

#### Goodwill

We recorded goodwill of RMB783.5 million, RMB410.1 million and RMB617.2 million as of December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024. Our goodwill arose from our acquisitions of Silead, Xysemi and Suzhou Freethink Information Technology Co., Ltd.. See note 15 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report."

### **Trade Payables**

Our trade payables are primarily for contract manufacturing and raw materials, masks, software and IT services. Our trade payables are non-interest-bearing and are normally settled on 15 days to two months terms.

_	As of December 31,		
	2022	2023	2024
	(in	RMB thousands)	
Trade payables	479,266	501,844	733,599

As of December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024, we recorded trade payables of RMB479.3 million, RMB501.8 million and RMB733.6 million. Such continuous increase in our trade payables during the Track Record Period was primarily due to our continuously increased procurement.

#### Aging Analysis

The table below sets forth the breakdown of the aging analysis of the trade payables.

_	As of December 31,		
	2022	2023	2024
	(in RMB thousands)		
Within 1 year	475,291	464,941	732,588
1 to 2 years	804	35,852	66
2 to 3 years	1,847	585	7
Over 3 years	1,324	466	938
Total	479,266	501,844	733,599

# Turnover Days

The table below sets forth the turnover days for the trade payables for the periods indicated.

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2023	2024
Trade payables turnover days <sup>(1)</sup>	45	45	48

Note:

<sup>(1)</sup> Trade payables turnover days for each year equal the average of the beginning and ending balances of trade payables for that year divided by cost of sales for that year and multiplied by 365 days.

Our trade payables turnover days remained relatively stable at 45, 45 and 48 days in 2022, 2023 and 2024, respectively.

#### Subsequent settlement

As of April 30, 2025, 89.4% of our total trade payables as of December 31, 2024, or RMB655.6 million, were settled.

#### **Contract Liabilities**

Our contract liabilities comprise prepayments received from customers.

The table below sets forth the breakdown of the contract liabilities as of the dates indicated.

_	As of December 31,		
_	2022	2023	2024
	(in	RMB thousands)	
Prepayments received from customers	82,917	88,091	94,532

Our contract liabilities increased from RMB82.9 million as of December 31, 2022 to RMB88.1 million as of December 31, 2023, primarily due to an increase in prepayment received for the customized development services. Our contract liabilities increased from RMB88.1 million as of December 31, 2023 to RMB94.5 million as of December 31, 2024, primarily due to an increase in prepayments received for the sales of our products as a result of the gradual recovery of the end markets.

#### **Accruals and Other Payables**

Our accruals and other payables primarily comprises (i) staff cost payables, (ii) unvested restricted shares repurchase obligation, (iii) payables for consultancy and technology fee, (iv) consideration payable for an acquisition of a subsidiary, and (v) other taxes and levies payables.

The table below sets forth the breakdown of our accruals and other payables as of the dates indicated.

_	As of December 31,		
_	2022	2023	2024
		(in RMB thousands)	
Staff cost payables Unvested restricted shares repurchase	234,859	95,498	291,238
obligation	290,895	192,007	82,140
Payables for consultancy and technology fee.	39,555	32,272	70,583

	As of December 31,		
	2022	2023	2024
	(in	RMB thousands)	
Consideration payable for an acquisition of			15 122
a subsidiary Others	10,833	16,084	15,123 40,328
Financial liabilities measured at amortised			
cost	576,142	335,861	499,412
Other taxes and levies payables	22,484	15,800	23,319
	598,626	351,661	522,731

The current portion of our accruals and other payables decreased from RMB598.6 million as of December 31, 2022 to RMB351.7 million as of December 31, 2023, primarily due to (i) a decrease in staff cost payables of RMB139.4 million primarily attributable to a decrease in bonus payables, and (ii) a decrease in unvested restricted shares repurchase obligation of RMB98.9 million primarily attributable to the vesting of restricted shares after the restriction period. Our accruals and other payables increased from RMB351.7 million as of December 31, 2023 to RMB522.7 million as of December 31, 2024, primarily due an increase in staff cost payables of RMB195.7 million primarily attributable to an increase in bonus payables.

### **Cash Flows**

The table below sets forth our cash flows for the periods indicated.

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2022	2023	2024
	(in RMB thousands)		
Operating profit before working capital			
changes	2,936,269	965,034	1,658,569
Changes in working capital	(1,617,074)	229,792	368,892
Income tax (paid)/refunded	(369,504)	(8,077)	4,769
Net cash generated from operating activities .	949,691	1,186,749	2,032,230
Net cash used in investing activities	(43,724)	(294,903)	(669,335)
Net cash (used in)/generated from financing			
activities	(780,313)	(572,601)	480,384
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents .	125,654	319,245	1,843,279
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning			
of the year	6,546,991	6,787,205	7,130,888
Effects of foreign exchange rate changes	114,560	24,438	129,992
Cash and cash equivalents at			
the end of the year	6,787,205	7,130,888	9,104,159

### **Operating Activities**

In 2024, we had net cash generated from operating activities of RMB2,032.2 million, which primarily consists of profit before taxation of RMB1,123.7 million, adjusted for certain non-cash and non-operating items. Adjustments for such non-cash and non-operating items primarily include (i) depreciation and amortisation of RMB467.3 million, (ii) equity-settled share-based payment expenses of RMB159.0 million, and (iii) net foreign exchange gain of RMB97.2 million. The amount was further adjusted by changes in working capital, primarily including (i) a decrease in prepayments and other current assets and other non-current assets of RMB240.6 million, (ii) an increase in accruals and other payables of RMB234.5 million, and (iii) an increase in trade payables of RMB203.9 million, partially offset by (i) an increase in inventories of RMB267.5 million, and (ii) an increase in trade and bills receivables of RMB47.5 million.

In 2023, we had net cash generated from operating activities of RMB1,186.7 million, which primarily consists of profit before taxation of RMB124.7 million, adjusted for certain non-cash and non-operating items. Adjustments for such non-cash and non-operating items primarily include (i) depreciation and amortisation of RMB443.7 million, (ii) impairment loss on goodwill of RMB373.4 million, and (iii) equity-settled share-based payment expenses of RMB97.1 million. The amount was further adjusted by changes in working capital, primarily including (i) a decrease in prepayments and other current assets and other non-current assets of RMB167.0 million, (ii) a decrease in inventories of RMB163.0 million, and (iii) a decrease in trade and bills receivables of RMB30.2 million, partially offset by a decrease in accruals and other payables of RMB165.3 million.

In 2022, we had net cash generated from operating activities of RMB949.7 million, which primarily consists of profit before taxation of RMB2,262.4 million, adjusted for certain non-cash and non-operating items. Adjustment for such non-cash and non-operating items primarily include (i) depreciation and amortisation of RMB371.8 million, (ii) impairment loss on goodwill of RMB241.5 million, and (iii) equity-settled share-based payment expenses of RMB203.2 million. The amount was further adjusted by working capital, primarily including (i) an increase in prepayments and other current assets and other non-current assets of RMB903.0 million, (ii) an increase in inventories of RMB705.0 million, and (iii) a decrease in trade payables of RMB163.2 million, partially offset by (i) a decrease in trade and bills receivables of RMB145.8 million, and (ii) an increase in contract liabilities of RMB11.3 million.

### **Investing Activities**

In 2024, we had net cash used in investing activities of RMB669.3 million, which primarily consists of (i) investments in equity securities designated at FVOCI of RMB1,529.7 million, (ii) payments for the purchase of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets RMB499.0 million, and (iii) purchase of wealth management products measured at FVPL of RMB420.0 million, partially offset by (i) proceeds from redemption of wealth management products measured at FVPL of RMB2,100.0 million, and (ii) proceeds from equity securities designated at FVOCI of RMB119.6 million.

In 2023, we had net cash used in investing activities of RMB294.9 million, which primarily consists of (i) purchase of wealth management products measured at FVPL of RMB5,465.0 million, (ii) payments for the purchase of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets of RMB348.4 million, and (iii) investments in equity securities designated at FVOCI of RMB78.3 million, partially offset by (i) proceeds from redemption of wealth management products measured at FVPL of RMB5,505.0 million and (ii) investment income from wealth management products measured at FVPL of RMB91.7 million.

In 2022, we had net cash used in investing activities of RMB43.7 million, which primarily consists of (i) purchase of wealth management products measured at FVPL of RMB2,750.0 million, and (ii) payments for the purchase of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets of RMB550.8 million, partially offset by proceeds from redemption of wealth management products measured at FVPL of RMB3,310.0 million.

#### Financing Activities

In 2024, we had net cash generated from financing activities of RMB480.4 million, which primarily consists of (i) proceeds from bank loans of RMB1,269.2 million, and (ii) capital injection from non-controlling interests of RMB4.5 million, partially offset by (i) repayment of bank loans of RMB418.7 million, (ii) purchase of own ordinary shares of RMB259.6 million, and (iii) purchase of forfeited restricted shares of RMB55.5 million

In 2023, we had net cash used in financing activities of RMB572.6 million, which primarily consists of (i) dividends paid of RMB413.6 million, (ii) purchase of own ordinary shares of RMB102.0 million and (iii) capital element of lease rentals paid of RMB42.1 million, offset by increase in other non-current liabilities of RMB2.0 million.

In 2022, we had net cash used in financing activities of RMB780.3 million, which primarily consists of (i) dividends paid of RMB707.5 million, (ii) purchase of forfeited restricted shares of RMB34.5 million, and (iii) capital element of lease rentals paid of RMB31.4 million.

## **INDEBTEDNESS**

The table below sets forth the indebtedness as of the dates indicated.

	As	As of April 30,		
	2022	2023	2024	2025
				(unaudited)
Current portion				
Bank loans	_	_	898,221	771,186
Lease liabilities	34,433	41,876	53,113	60,068
Subtotal	34,433	41,876	951,334	831,254
Non-current portion				
Lease liabilities	89,901	74,390	48,023	58,508
Total	124,334	116,266	999,357	889,762

#### **Bank Loans**

As of December 31, 2022, 2023, 2024, and April 30, 2025, our bank loans amounted to nil, nil, RMB898.2 million, and RMB771.2 million, respectively. See note 27 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report." Our bank loans were mainly for general corporate purposes.

As of April 30, 2025, we had unutilized banking facilities of approximately RMB3,086 million.

## Lease Liabilities

The table below sets forth the lease liabilities as of the dates indicated.

	As	As of April 30,		
	2022	2023	2024	2025
	(in RMB thousands)			
				(unaudited)
Current				
Lease liabilities	34,433	41,876	53,113	60,068
Non-current				
Lease liabilities	89,901	74,390	48,023	58,508
Total	124,334	116,266	101,136	118,576

Our lease liabilities decreased from RMB124.3 million as of December 31, 2022 to RMB116.3 million as of December 31, 2023, and further to RMB101.1 million as of December 31, 2024, primarily due to our payment of rents. Our lease liabilities increased from RMB101.1 million as of December 31, 2024 to RMB118.6 million as of April 30, 2025, as we leased an office in Singapore.

#### CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As of December 31, 2022, 2023, 2024 and as of April 30, 2025, and up to the Latest Practicable Date, we did not have any contingent liabilities.

Save as disclosed above, we did not have any bank and other loan, or any loan capital issued and outstanding or agreed to be issued, bank overdraft, borrowing or similar indebtedness, liabilities under acceptance (other than normal trade bills) or acceptance credits, debentures, mortgages, charges, hire purchases or finance lease commitments, guarantees or other material contingent liabilities as of the Latest Practicable Date for our indebtedness statement. We did not have any material covenants and undertakings on outstanding debts, guarantees, pledge of key assets or other contingent obligations, and breaches during the Track Record Period and up to the Latest Practicable Date. Our Directors confirm that there has not been any material change in our indebtedness since the April 30, 2025 up to the date of this document. Our Directors confirm that we did not have any material defaults on trade and non-trade payables and borrowings, or breaches of covenants during the Track Record Period and up to the date of this document.

#### CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND COMMITMENTS

## Capital Expenditure

The table below sets forth the capital expenditure for the periods indicated.

_	Year Ended December 31,			
_	2022	2023	2024	
	(	in RMB thousands)		
Payments for the purchase of property, plant				
and equipment and intangible assets	550,843	348,364	499,017	
Total capital expenditure	<u>550,843</u>	348,364	499,017	

During the Track Record Period, our capital expenditure was primarily for fixed assets, such as masks and R&D equipment, and intangible assets such as licensed IPs.

## **Capital Commitments**

The table below sets forth the capital commitments as of the dates indicated.

	As of December 31,			
	2022	2023	2024	
	(	in RMB thousands)		
Contracted for capital injections into equity				
securities measured at FVPL	615,000	485,400	635,400	
Total	615,000	485,400	635,400	

#### **KEY FINANCIAL RATIOS**

	Year Ended/As of December 31,			
-	2022	2023	2024	
Gross profit margin <sup>(1)</sup>	45.5%	30.3%	35.7%	
Profit margin <sup>(2)</sup>	25.3%	2.8%	15.0%	
Adjust net profit margin (a non-IFRS				
measure)	27.7%	4.5%	17.1%	
Current ratio <sup>(3)</sup>	9.5	11.8	5.3	
Quick ratio <sup>(4)</sup>	7.7	9.7	4.3	

Notes:

#### DISCLOSURE ABOUT FINANCIAL RISK

We are exposed to credit, liquidity, interest rate and currency risks arises in the normal course of business, and also exposed to equity price risk arising from our equity investments in other entities and movements in our own equity share price.

#### Credit Risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in a financial loss to us. Our credit risk is primarily attributable to trade receivables and other receivables. Our management has a credit policy in place and the exposures to these credit risks are monitored on an ongoing basis. Our exposure to credit risk arising from cash and cash equivalents and bills receivables is limited because the counterparties are banks and financial institutions with high credit standing, for which we consider having low credit risk. See note 32 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report."

<sup>(1)</sup> Gross profit margin is calculated as revenue minus cost of sales divided by revenue, then multiplied by 100%.

<sup>(2)</sup> Profit margin is calculated as net profit divided by revenue, then multiplied by 100%.

<sup>(3)</sup> Current ratio is calculated based on the total current assets divided by the total current liabilities as at the end of the respective year.

<sup>(4)</sup> Quick ratio is calculated as total current assets less inventories divided by the total current liabilities as at the end of the respective year.

## Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that we will encounter difficulty in meeting financial obligations due to shortage of funds. Our exposure to liquidity risk arises primarily from mismatches of the maturities of financial assets and liabilities. Our objective is to maintain a balance for continuity of funding to finance our working capital needs as well as capital expenditure. See note 32 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report."

#### 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. Our interest rate risk arises primarily from bank loans. Instruments bearing interest at variable rates and fixed rates expose us to cashflow interest rate risk and fair value interest rate risk respectively. We regularly review our strategy on interest rate risk management in the light of the prevailing market condition. Our interest rate risk profile as monitored by management is set out below. See note 32 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report."

## **Currency Risk**

We are exposed to currency risk primarily through sales and purchases which give rise to receivables, payables and cash balances that are denominated in a foreign currency, i.e. a currency other than the functional currency of the operations to which the transactions relate. The currencies giving rise to this risk are primarily USD. See note 32 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report."

#### OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

We have not entered into, nor do we expect to enter into, any off-balance sheet arrangements. We also have not entered into any financial guarantees or other commitments to guarantee the payment obligations of manufacturing partners. In addition, we have not entered into any derivative contracts that are indexed to our equity interests and classified as owners' equity. We do not have any variable interest in any unconsolidated entity that provides financing, liquidity, market risk or credit support to us or engages in leasing or hedging or research and development services with us.

#### **DIVIDEND POLICY**

Subject to PRC laws and regulations, including the PRC Company Law (《中華人民共和國公司法》) and the No. 3 Guideline for the Supervision of Listed Companies — Cash Dividend Distribution of Listed Companies (2025 Revision) (《上市公司監管指引第3號 —上市公司現金分紅(2025年修訂)》), and Articles 162 to 164 of the Articles of Association, we shall distribute no less than 20% of the distributable profits realized in a given year in the form of cash dividends each year. Moreover, over any consecutive three-year period, the total cash dividends distributed shall be no less than 60% of the average annual distributable profits realized during those three years.

During the Track Record Period, we have declared dividends. See note 31 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report." Future profit distributions may be carried out in the form of cash dividends or stock dividends or a combination of cash dividends and stock dividends. Any proposed distribution of dividends is subject to the discretion of our Board and the approval at our Shareholders' meetings. Our Board may recommend a distribution of dividends in the future after taking into account industry characteristics, stage of development, business model, profitability, and whether there are significant capital expenditure plans and any other conditions that our Board may deem relevant.

#### DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVE

As of December 31, 2024, the Company has distributable reserves of RMB5,153.3 million.

#### DISCLOSURE REQUIRED UNDER RULES 13.13 TO 13.19 OF THE LISTING RULES

Except as otherwise disclosed in this document, our Directors confirm that, as of the Latest Practicable Date, they were not aware of any circumstances that would give rise to a disclosure requirement under Rules 13.13 to Rules 13.19 of the Listing Rules.

#### RELATED-PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Related party transactions are set out in note 35 to "Appendix I — Accountants' Report." Our Directors confirm that these transactions were conducted in the ordinary and usual course of business and on an arm's length basis.

## UNAUDITED [REDACTED] FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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#### [REDACTED] EXPENSES

[REDACTED] expenses represent professional fees, [REDACTED] commission and fees incurred in connection with the [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED]. Our [REDACTED] expenses are estimated to be approximately HK\$[REDACTED] (including [REDACTED] commission) accounting for [REDACTED]% of the gross [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED], assuming that an [REDACTED] of HK\$[REDACTED] per Share (being the mid-point of the [REDACTED] range stated in this document). Among our [REDACTED] expenses, approximately HK\$[REDACTED] is directly attributable to the issuance of Shares and will be charged to equity upon completion of the [REDACTED], and approximately HK\$[REDACTED] has been or will be charged to our consolidated statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income. The [REDACTED] expenses we expect to incur would consist of approximately HK\$[REDACTED] related expenses and fees (including [REDACTED] commissions, SFC transaction levy, Stock Exchange trading fee and AFRC transaction levy), approximately HK\$[REDACTED] non-[REDACTED]-related expenses and fees including fees for the Joint Sponsors, legal advisors and reporting accountants and approximately HK\$[REDACTED] for other non-[REDACTED]-related fees and expenses. During the Track Record Period, we did not incur [REDACTED] expenses.

The [REDACTED] expenses above are the latest practicable estimate for reference only, and the actual amount may differ from this estimate.

#### NO MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE AND RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Our Directors confirmed that, as of the date of this document, there has been no material adverse change in our financial position since December 31, 2024, and there has been no event since December 31, 2024 that would materially affect the information as set out in the Accountants' Report in Appendix I to this document.

## **SHARE CAPITAL**

#### **BEFORE THE [REDACTED]**

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the total issued share capital of the Company was RMB664,059,190, comprising 664,059,190 A Shares of nominal value RMB1.00 each, all of which are listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange.

## **UPON COMPLETION OF THE [REDACTED]**

Immediately following the completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans), the issued share capital of the Company will be as follows:

	Number of Shares	Approximately % of issued share capital
A Shares in issue	664,059,190 [ <b>REDACTED</b> ]	[REDACTED]% [REDACTED]%
Total	[REDACTED]	100.00%

Immediately following the completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is exercised in full and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans), the issued share capital of the Company will be as follows:

	Number of Shares	Approximately % of issued share capital
A Shares in issue	664,059,190 [ <b>REDACTED</b> ]	[REDACTED]% [REDACTED]%
Total	[REDACTED]	100.00%

#### THE SHARES

Upon the completion of the [REDACTED], the Shares of the Company will consist of A Shares and H Shares. The A Shares and H Shares are all ordinary Shares in the share capital of the Company. Apart from certain qualified domestic institutional investors in mainland China, the qualified investors in mainland China under the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect and the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect (if the H Shares are eligible securities for that purpose) and other persons who are entitled to hold the H Shares pursuant to relevant PRC law or upon approvals of any competent authorities, H Shares generally cannot be subscribed for by or traded between legal or natural persons in mainland China.

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Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect has established a stock connect mechanism between mainland China and Hong Kong. The A Shares can be traded by investors in mainland China, qualified foreign institutional investors or qualified foreign strategic investors and must be traded in Renminbi. As the A Shares are eligible securities under the Northbound Trading Link, they can also be traded by Hong Kong and other overseas investors pursuant to the rules and limits of Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect. If the H Shares are eligible securities under the Southbound Trading Link, they can also be traded by investors in mainland China in accordance with the rules and limits of Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect or Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect.

The A Shares and H Shares are generally neither interchangeable nor fungible, and the market prices of the A Shares and H Shares may be different after the [REDACTED]. The Guidelines on Application for "Full Circulation" of Domestic Unlisted Shares of H-share Companies (H股公司境內未上市股份申請"全流通"業務指引) announced by the CSRC are not applicable to companies dual listed in the PRC and on the Stock Exchange. As of the Latest Practicable Date, there were no relevant rules or guidelines from the CSRC providing that A Shareholders may convert A Shares held by them into H Shares for [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] on the Stock Exchange.

#### **RANKING**

The A Shares and H Shares are regarded as one class of Shares under the Articles of Association and shall rank *pari passu* with each other in all other respects and, in particular, will rank equally for dividends or distributions declared, paid or made after the date of this document.

## APPROVAL FROM A SHAREHOLDERS REGARDING THE [REDACTED]

The Company obtained its A Shareholders' approval to issue H Shares and seek the [**REDACTED**] of H Shares on the Stock Exchange at the extraordinary general meeting of the Company held on June 10, 2025. Such approval is subject to the following conditions:

- (i) Size of the [REDACTED]. The proposed number of H Shares to be [REDACTED] shall not exceed [REDACTED]% of the total issued share capital enlarged by the H Shares to be issued pursuant to the [REDACTED] (before the exercise of the [REDACTED]). The number of H Shares to be issued pursuant to the full exercise of the [REDACTED] shall not exceed [REDACTED]% of the total number of H Shares to be [REDACTED] initially under the [REDACTED].
- (ii) *Method of* [**REDACTED**]. The method of [**REDACTED**] shall be by way of an international [**REDACTED**] to institutional investors and a public [**REDACTED**] for [**REDACTED**] in Hong Kong.
- (iii) *Target investors*. The H Shares shall be issued to public investors in Hong Kong under the [**REDACTED**] and international investors, qualified domestic institutional investors in mainland China and other investors who are approved by mainland Chinese regulatory bodies to invest abroad in [**REDACTED**].

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- (iv) [REDACTED] basis. The issue price of the H Shares will be determined, among others, after due consideration of the interests of existing Shareholders of the Company, acceptance of investors and the risks related to the [REDACTED], according to international practice, through the demands for orders and book building process, subject to the domestic and overseas capital market conditions and by reference to the valuation level of comparable companies in domestic and overseas markets.
- (v) Validity period. The issue of H Shares and [REDACTED] of H Shares on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange shall be completed within 24 months from the date when the Shareholders' meeting was held on June 10, 2025.

There is no other approved [REDACTED] plan for the Shares except the [REDACTED].

#### **GENERAL MEETINGS**

For details of circumstance under which general meetings of the Company are required, see "Summary of the Articles of Association — Shareholders and General Meeting" in Appendix III to this document.

#### **SHARE SCHEMES**

For details of the Share Incentive Plans, see "Statutory and General Information — Share Incentive Plans" in Appendix IV to this document.

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

So far as the Directors are aware, immediately following the completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans), the following persons will have an interest or short position in the Shares and/or underlying Shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or will be, directly or indirectly, interested in 10% or more of the issued voting Shares of the Company.

		Number and description of	Shareholdin Latest Pract	O	*		
Name of Shareholder	Nature of interest	Shares or underlying Shares held	in A Shares	in total issued share capital	in A Shares	in total issued share capital	
Mr. Zhu $Yiming^{(2)}$	Beneficial owner Interest held jointly with other persons	58,811,513 A Shares	8.86%	8.86%	8.86%	[REDACTED]%	
InfoGrid Limited $^{(2)(3)}$	Beneficial owner Interest held jointly with other persons	58,811,513 A Shares	8.86%	8.86%	8.86%	[REDACTED]%	

Notes:

<sup>(1)</sup> The calculation is based on the total number of [REDACTED] Shares in issue immediately following the completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans).

<sup>(2)</sup> InfoGrid Limited has issued the Acting-in-Concert Undertaking. By virtue of the SFO, Mr. Zhu Yiming and InfoGrid Limited are deemed to be interested in the Shares held by each other.

<sup>(3)</sup> As of the Latest Practicable Date, InfoGrid Limited was held by Mr. Shu Qingming as to 82.82%. By virtue of the SFO, Mr. Shu Qingming is deemed to be interested in the Shares that InfoGrid Limited is interested in.

## **OVERVIEW**

The Board consists of nine Directors, comprising three executive Directors, one non-executive Director and five independent non-executive Directors. The Directors are appointed for a term of three years and are eligible for re-election upon expiry of their term of office. The independent non-executive Directors shall not hold office for more than six consecutive years pursuant to the relevant PRC laws and regulations.

## **DIRECTORS**

The following table sets forth the information about the Directors:

Name	Age	Position	Time of joining the Group	Date of appointment as a Director	Roles and responsibilities
Mr. Zhu Yiming (朱一明)	52	Executive Director and chairman of the Board	April 2005	April 6, 2005	Overall strategic planning, business development and enterprise management of the Group
Mr. He Wei (何衛)	58	Executive Director, deputy chairman of the Board and general manager	October 2009	June 10, 2021	Strategic planning and operation management of the Group
Mr. Hu Hong (胡洪)	42	Executive Director and deputy general manager	July 2007	December 16, 2022	Strategic planning and operation management of the Group
Ms. Wen Tian (文恬)	30	Non-executive Director	March 2020	June 10, 2025	Providing advice on the operation and management of the Group
Mr. Zhou Haitao (周海濤)	66	Independent non-executive Director	December 2024	December 16, 2024	Supervising and providing independent opinion and judgment to the Board
Dr. Qian He (錢鶴)	62	Independent non-executive Director	December 2021	December 17, 2021	Supervising and providing independent opinion and judgment to the Board
Ms. Yeung Siuman Shirley (楊小雯)	61	Independent non-executive Director	December 2024	December 16, 2024	Supervising and providing independent opinion and judgment to the Board
Dr. Chen Jie (陳潔)	55	Independent non-executive Director	December 2024	December 16, 2024	Supervising and providing independent opinion and judgment to the Board
Mr. Zheng Xiaodong (鄭曉東)	46	Independent non- executive Director	September 2023	September 12, 2023	Supervising and providing independent opinion and judgment to the Board

None of the Directors and senior management of the Company is related to other Directors or senior management of the Company. Save as disclosed in this section, (i) none of the Directors held any directorships in public companies, the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years immediately preceding the date of this document; (ii) to the best knowledge, information and belief of the Directors having made all reasonable inquiries, there were no other matters with respect to the appointment of the Directors that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders and there was no information relating to the Directors that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules.

## **Executive Directors**

Mr. Zhu Yiming (朱一明), aged 52, is an executive Director and the chairman of the Board. Mr. Zhu has been a Director and the chairman of the Board since the inception of the Company. He was redesignated as an executive Director on June 10, 2025 with effect from the [REDACTED]. He is primarily responsible for the overall strategic planning, business development and enterprise management of the Group.

Other than his positions in the Company, Mr. Zhu has been serving as the chairman of the board of directors of CXMT Corporation (長鑫科技集團股份有限公司, "CXMT") since February 2021, and served as the chief executive officer of CXMT from May 2020 to April 2023. He also served as the chief executive officer of CXMT Memory Technologies, Inc. (長鑫存儲技術有限公司, "CXMT Memory"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of CXMT from July 2018 to April 2023, a director of CXMT, Memory from July 2018 to February 2022 and the chairman of the board of directors of CXMT Memory from December 2018 to February 2022.

Mr. Zhu obtained a bachelor's degree in modern applied physics and a master's degree in engineering from Tsinghua University (清華大學) in the PRC in July 1994 and June 1997, respectively, and a master's degree in electronic engineering from the State University of New York at Stony Brook in the United States in May 2000.

Mr. He Wei (何衛), aged 58, is an executive Director, the deputy chairman of the Board and general manager of the Company. Mr. He joined the Group in October 2009 and worked at its operating department until December 2012. He then served as a deputy general manager of the Company from December 2012 to July 2018 and the acting general manager of the Company from July 2018 to April 2023. He was appointed as a Director in June 2021, the deputy chairman of the Board in July 2023 and the general manager of the Company in April 2023, and was redesignated as an executive Director on June 10, 2025 with effect from the [REDACTED]. He is primarily responsible for the strategic planning and operation management of the Group.

Prior to joining the Group, Mr. He served as the deputy director of the Beijing sales department of Semiconductor Manufacturing International (Beijing) Co., Ltd. (中芯國際集成電路製造(北京)有限公司) from October 2003 to September 2009 and the deputy director of the integrated circuit department of Beijing Institute of Microelectronics Technology (北京微電子技術研究所) from April 1994 to September 2003.

Mr. He obtained a bachelor's degree in material science and a master's degree in engineering from Tsinghua University (清華大學) in the PRC in July 1989 and March 1994, respectively.

Mr. Hu Hong (胡洪), aged 42, is an executive Director and deputy general manager of the Company. Mr. Hu joined the Group in July 2007 and served successively as an engineer, department manager, director and head of business department until October 2022. He was appointed as a deputy general manager of the Company in October 2022 and a Director in December 2022, and was redesignated as an executive Director on June 10, 2025 with effect from the [REDACTED]. He is primarily responsible for the strategic planning and operation management of the Group.

Mr. Hu obtained a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in electronic science and technology from Tsinghua University (清華大學) in the PRC in July 2005 and July 2007, respectively.

#### **Non-Executive Director**

Ms. Wen Tian (文恬), aged 30, is a non-executive Director. Ms. Wen joined the Group in March 2020 and has been serving at the compliance and legal department of the Group since then. She served as the employee representative supervisor of the Company from November 2020 to June 2025, during which she was the chairman of the board of supervisors of the Company from December 2020 to June 2025. Ms. Wen was appointed as an employee representative Director in June 2025 and was redesignated as a non-executive Director on June 10, 2025 with effect from the [REDACTED]. She is responsible for providing advice on the operation and management of the Group.

Ms. Wen obtained a bachelor's degree in laws from Shanxi University (山西大學) in the PRC in July 2017 and a master's degree in international business and economics laws from the University of New South Wales in Australia in January 2019. She obtained a legal professional qualification issued by the Ministry of Justice of the PRC (中華人民共和國司法部) in April 2021.

## **Independent Non-Executive Directors**

Mr. Zhou Haitao (周海濤), aged 66, has been an independent Director since December 2024 and was redesignated as an independent non-executive Director on June 10, 2025 with effect from the [REDACTED]. He is responsible for supervising and providing independent opinion and judgment to the Board.

Mr. Zhou has been a partner of ShineWing Certified Public Accountants LLP (信永中和會計師事務所) since December 2009. He was a partner of Zhonghe Zhengxin Accountant Firm (中和正信會計師事務所) from February 2007 to December 2009. Prior to that, Mr. Zhou served as the deputy director accountant of Beijing Zhonglunxin Accountant Firm (北京中倫信會計師事務所) until February 2007 and a certified public accountant of Beijing Longzhou Accountant Firm (北京龍洲會計師事務所) from August 1995 to August 1996. Prior to that, he worked at Beijing Capital Film and Television Cultural Research Institute (北京首都影視文化研究所) and Beijing Institute of Light Industry (北京輕工業學院, now known as Beijing Technology and Business University (北京工商大學)). He has also been serving as an independent director of Harbin Chenglin Technology Co., Ltd. (哈爾濱城林科技股份有限公司) since October 2024, and served as an independent director of Aimer Co., Ltd. (愛慕股份有限公司, 603511.SH) from May 2023 to February 2024.

Mr. Zhou obtained a bachelor's degree in mechanical design and manufacturing from Beijing Institute of Light Industry in the PRC in July 1984. He has been a member of the Chinese Institute of Certified Public Accountants since June 1999.

Mr. Zhou previously served as a supervisor of Zhongbao Assets Evaluation Co., Ltd. (中保資產評估有限公司, "Zhongbao Assets Evaluation") immediately prior to its revocation. Mr. Zhou has confirmed that (i) Zhongbao Assets Evaluation was solvent immediately prior to its revocation; (ii) Mr. Zhou has not incurred any liability as a result of such revocation; and (iii) Mr. Zhou is not aware of any actual or potential claim that has been or will be made against him as a result of such revocation.

**Dr. Qian He** (錢鶴), aged 62, has been an independent Director since December 2021 and was redesignated as an independent non-executive Director on June 10, 2025 with effect from the [**REDACTED**]. He is responsible for supervising and providing independent opinion and judgment to the Board.

Dr. Qian has been teaching at Tsinghua University (清華大學) since January 2009, and is currently a tenured professor of the School of Integrated Circuits of Tsinghua University. Prior to that, he served as the director of Samsung Semiconductor (China) Research Institute (三星半導體(中國)研究所) and worked at Institute of Microelectronics of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (中國科學院微電子研究所), with his last position as its director. Dr. Qian has also been an independent director of Beijing Memblaze Technology Co., Ltd. (北京憶恒創源科技股份有限公司) since June 2021 and GRINM Semiconductor Materials Co., Ltd. (有研半導體 硅材料股份公司, 688432.SH) since May 2021.

Dr. Qian obtained a bachelor's degree in semiconductor, a master's degree in semiconductor physics and devices and a doctoral degree in engineering from Xi'an Jiaotong University (西安交通大學) in the PRC in July 1984, July 1987 and December 1990, respectively.

Ms. Yeung Siuman Shirley (楊小雯), aged 61, has been an independent Director since December 2024 and was redesignated as an independent non-executive Director on June 10, 2025 with effect from the [REDACTED]. She is responsible for supervising and providing independent opinion and judgment to the Board.

Ms. Yeung has been the chairman of the board of directors and founding and managing partner of Dragonrise Capital Advisors (HK) Limited (龍騰資本有限公司) since October 2004. She has also been the chairman of the board of directors and founding and managing partner of Nanjing Longjun Investment Management Co., Ltd. (南京龍駿投資管理有限公司) and Suzhou Longrui Venture Capital Management Co., Ltd. (蘇州龍瑞創業投資管理有限公司) since April 2014 and December 2009, respectively. Ms. Yeung has also been an independent non-executive director of Shenwan Hongyuan Group Co., Ltd. (申萬宏源集團股份有限公司, 000166.SZ, 6806.HK) since November 2020.

Ms. Yeung obtained a master's degree in business administration from Yale University in the United States in May 1993.

**Dr. Chen Jie** (陳潔), aged 55, has been an independent Director since December 2024 and was redesignated as an independent non-executive Director on June 10, 2025 with effect from the [**REDACTED**]. She is responsible for supervising and providing independent opinion and judgment to the Board.

Dr. Chen has been working at the Institute of Law of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (中國社會科學院法學研究所) since September 2004, and is currently the director of its commercial law research department, a researcher, professor and doctoral supervisor of the University of Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (中國社會科學院大學). Dr. Chen has also been an independent director of Deppon Logistics Co., Ltd. (德邦物流股份有限公司, 603056.SH) since September 2022 and an independent non-executive director of China Life Insurance Company Limited (中國人壽保險股份有限公司, 601628.SH, 2628.HK) since July 2022.

Dr. Chen obtained a bachelor's degree in laws from East China College of Political Science and Law (華東政法學院, now known as East China University of Political Science and Law (華東政法大學)) in the PRC in July 1992, and a master's degree and a doctoral degree in laws from Peking University (北京大學) in the PRC in July 1999 and July 2002, respectively. She also conducted post-doctoral research at the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (中國社會科學院) in the PRC from September 2002 to September 2004.

Dr. Chen previously served as a director of Beijing Fayi Bookstore Co., Ltd. (北京法意 書店有限公司, "Fayi Bookstore") immediately prior to its revocation. Dr. Chen has confirmed that (i) Fayi Bookstore was solvent immediately prior to its revocation; (ii) Dr. Chen has not incurred any liability as a result of such revocation; and (iii) Dr. Chen is not aware of any actual or potential claim that has been or will be made against her as a result of such revocation.

Mr. Zheng Xiaodong (鄭曉東), aged 46, has been an independent Director since September 2023 and was redesignated as an independent non-executive Director on June 10, 2025 with effect from the [REDACTED]. He is responsible for supervising and providing independent opinion and judgment to the Board.

Mr. Zheng has been a managing partner of Beijing Jincheng Tongda & Neal Law Firm (北京金誠同達律師事務所) since December 2009. Prior to that, he served as a counsel of Norton Rose Fulbright and an associate of T&C Law Firm (浙江天冊律師事務所). Mr. Zheng served as an independent director of Beijing Foyou Pharma Co., Ltd. (北京福元醫藥股份有限公司, 601089.SH) from June 2019 to May 2025 and Rongsheng Petro Chemical Co., Ltd. (榮盛石化股份有限公司, 002493.SZ) from May 2019 to May 2025, respectively.

Mr. Zheng obtained a bachelor's degree in laws from Zhejiang University (浙江大學) in the PRC in June 2002 and a master's degree in maritime law from the University of Southampton in the United Kingdom in March 2004. Mr. Zheng obtained a legal professional qualification issued by the Ministry of Justice of the PRC (中華人民共和國司法部) in February 2006.

## SENIOR MANAGEMENT

The following table provides information about members of the senior management of the Company:

Name	Age	Position	Time of joining the Group	Date of appointment as a member of senior management	Roles and responsibilities
Mr. He Wei (何衛)	58	Executive Director, deputy chairman of the Board and general manager	October 2009	December 19, 2012	Strategic planning and operation management of the Group
Mr. Hu Hong (胡洪)	42	Executive Director and deputy general manager	July 2007	October 27, 2022	Strategic planning and operation management of the Group

<u>Name</u>	Age	Position	Time of joining the Group	Date of appointment as a member of senior management	Roles and responsibilities
Ms. Sun Guijing (孫桂靜)	49	Deputy general manager and finance director	April 2010	December 17, 2021	Financial operations and funds management of the Group
Mr. Li Baokui (李寶魁)	44	Deputy general manager	November 2011	October 27, 2022	Product design and research and development of the Group
Ms. Dong Lingyan (董靈燕)	29	Board secretary and joint company secretary	June 2024	December 16, 2024	Corporate governance, capital operation, information disclosures, investor relations and securities affairs of the Group

For the biographies of Mr. He Wei and Mr. Hu Hong, see "— Directors — Executive Directors" above.

Ms. Sun Guijing (孫桂靜), aged 49, is a deputy general manager and the finance director of the Company. Ms. Sun joined the Group in April 2010 as the head of accounting department of the Company until November 2021, and was appointed as a deputy general manager and the finance director of the Company in December 2021. She is primarily responsible for the financial operations and funds management of the Group.

Ms. Sun obtained a bachelor's degree in enterprise management from Tianjin Normal University (天津師範大學) in the PRC in July 1999 and an EMBA degree in business administration from China Europe International Business School (中歐國際工商學院) in the PRC in November 2024. Ms. Sun obtained an intermediate accountant qualification issued by the MOF in May 2007.

Mr. Li Baokui (李寶魁), aged 44, is a deputy general manager of the Company. Mr. Li joined the Group in November 2011. He served as the director of MCU chip design until October 2022, and has been serving as the head of MCU business unit since March 2022 and a deputy general manager of the Company since October 2022. He is primarily responsible for the product design and research and development of the Group.

Prior to joining the Group, Mr. Li served as the manager of IC design department of Actions Microelectronics Co., Ltd. (炬力北方微電子有限公司) from February 2006 to December 2011.

Mr. Li obtained a bachelor's degree in information engineering from Zhejiang University (浙江大學) in the PRC in June 2003, a master's degree in microelectronics and solid state electronics from Tianjin University (天津大學) in the PRC in March 2006, and an EMBA degree in business administration from China Europe International Business School (中歐國際工商學院) in the PRC in April 2025.

Ms. Dong Lingyan (董靈燕), aged 29, is the Board secretary and joint company secretary of the Company. Ms. Dong joined the Group in June 2024 as the head of investor relations, and was appointed as the Board secretary of the Company in December 2024. She is primarily responsible for the corporate governance, capital operation, information disclosures, investor relations and securities affairs of the Group.

Prior to joining the Group, Ms. Dong worked at Cephei Investment Consulting (Beijing) Co., Ltd. (潤暉投資諮詢(北京)有限公司) from February 2020 to June 2024, serving successively as an industry researcher, investment manager and assistant vice president. Prior to that, she also served as the research assistant of the research department of China International Capital Corporation Limited (中國國際金融股份有限公司, 601995.SH, 3908.HK).

Ms. Dong obtained a bachelor's degree in accounting from Guanghua School of Management of Peking University (北京大學光華管理學院) in the PRC in June 2017.

#### JOINT COMPANY SECRETARIES

Ms. Dong Lingyan (董靈燕) has been appointed as the joint company secretary of the Company. See "— Senior Management" above for her biography.

Ms. Wong Wai Yee, Ella (黃慧兒) has been appointed as the joint company secretary of the Company. Ms. Wong is a director of Company Secretarial Services of Vistra Group. Ms. Wong has over 20 years of experience in the corporate secretarial field and has been providing professional corporate services to Hong Kong listed companies as well as multinational, private and offshore companies.

Ms. Wong is a Chartered Secretary, a Chartered Governance Professional and a Fellow of both The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute (formerly known as The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries, "HKCGI") and The Chartered Governance Institute (formerly known as The Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators) in the United Kingdom. Ms. Wong is a holder of the Practitioner's Endorsement from HKCGI.

#### OTHER INFORMATION

#### Rule 3.09D of the Listing Rules

Each of the Directors confirms that he or she (i) has obtained the legal advice referred to under Rule 3.09D of the Listing Rules in June 2025, and (ii) understands his or her obligations as a director of a listed issuer under the Listing Rules.

## Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules

Each of the independent non-executive Directors has confirmed (i) his or her independence as regards each of the factors referred to in Rules 3.13(1) to (8) of the Listing Rules, (ii) that he or she had no past or present financial or other interest in the business of the Company or its subsidiaries or any connection with any core connected person of the Company under the Listing Rules as of the Latest Practicable Date, and (iii) that there were no other factors that may affect his or her independence at the time of his or her appointments.

## Rule 8.10(2) of the Listing Rules

Each of the Directors (other than the independent non-executive Directors) confirms that as of the Latest Practicable Date, he or she was not interested in any business, apart from the Group's business, which competes or is likely to compete, either directly or indirectly, with the Group's business under Rule 8.10(2) of the Listing Rules.

#### MANAGEMENT AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

#### **Board Committees**

#### Audit Committee

The Board has established the Audit Committee with written terms of reference in compliance with Rule 3.21 of the Listing Rules and the Corporate Governance Code set out in Appendix C1 to the Listing Rules (the "Corporate Governance Code"). The primary duties of the Audit Committee are to review and supervise the financial reporting process and internal controls system of the Group and provide advice and comments to the Board. The Audit Committee comprises Mr. Zhou Haitao, Dr. Qian He and Ms. Yeung Siuman Shirley, with Mr. Zhou Haitao (being the independent non-executive Director with appropriate professional qualifications) as the chairperson.

#### Nomination Committee

The Board has established the Nomination Committee with written terms of reference in compliance with Rule 3.27A of the Listing Rules and the Corporate Governance Code. The primary duties of the Nomination Committee are to make recommendations to the Board on the appointment of Directors and management of Board succession. The Nomination Committee comprises Dr. Qian He, Dr. Chen Jie and Mr. Zheng Xiaodong, with Dr. Qian He as the chairperson.

#### Remuneration and Appraisal Committee

The Board has established the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee with written terms of reference in compliance with Rule 3.25 of the Listing Rules and the Corporate Governance Code. The primary duties of the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee are to review and make recommendations to the Board on the terms of remuneration packages, bonuses and other compensation payable to the Directors and other senior management. The Remuneration and Appraisal Committee comprises Dr. Chen Jie, Mr. Zheng Xiaodong and Mr. Zhou Haitao, with Dr. Chen Jie as the chairperson.

#### Strategy and Sustainable Development Committee

The Board has established the Strategy and Sustainable Development Committee with written terms of reference. The primary duties of the Strategy and Sustainable Development Committee are to make recommendations to the Board on the Group's long-term development strategies, major decisions, sustainable development and ESG affairs. The Strategy and Sustainable Development Committee comprises Mr. Zhu Yiming, Dr. Qian He and Ms. Yeung Siuman Shirley, with Mr. Zhu Yiming as the chairperson.

## Corporate Governance Code

The Company is committed to achieving high standards of corporate governance with a view to safeguarding the interests of the Shareholders. To accomplish this, the Company intends to comply with the code provisions in Part 2 of the Corporate Governance Code after the [REDACTED].

#### **Board Diversity**

The Company has adopted a board diversity policy which sets out the approach to achieve diversity of the Board. The Company recognizes and embraces the benefits of having a diverse Board and sees increasing diversity at the Board level, including gender diversity, as an essential element in maintaining its competitive advantage and enhancing its ability to attract, retain and motivate employees from the widest possible pool of available talent. In reviewing

and assessing suitable candidates to serve as a Director, the Nomination Committee will consider a number of aspects, including, but not limited to, gender, age, cultural and educational background, professional qualifications, skills, knowledge, and industry and regional experience.

The Board currently consists of three female and six male Directors ranging from 30 to 66 years old with a balanced mix of knowledge and skills, including, but not limited to, overall management and strategic development, accounting and corporate governance in addition to relevant industry experience. They obtained degrees in various majors including electronic engineering, material science, semiconductor and laws. Taking into account the Group's existing business model and specific needs, as well as the diverse background of the Directors, the composition of the Board satisfies the board diversity policy.

The Nomination Committee is responsible for reviewing the structure and diversity of the Board and selecting individuals to be nominated as Directors. The Nomination Committee will monitor and evaluate the implementation of the board diversity policy from time to time to ensure its ongoing effectiveness, and will propose any necessary amendments as required, recommending such amendments to the Board for consideration and approval. The Nomination Committee will also include a summary of the board diversity policy in the annual reports.

#### REMUNERATION

The Directors and senior management of the Company receive their remuneration in the form of basic annual payments and performance-related annual payments, including fees, salaries, share-based compensation and other benefits in kind.

For the years ended December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024, the total remuneration of the Directors amounted to RMB29.2 million, RMB16.6 million and RMB34.3 million, respectively. None of the Directors waived or agreed to waive any emolument during the same years.

Under the arrangements in force as of the date of this document, the Company estimates the total remuneration payable to, and benefits in kind receivable by, the Directors by the Group for the year ending December 31, 2025 to be approximately RMB29.9 million.

The five highest paid individuals of the Group for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024 included five, three and three Directors, respectively. During the same years, the aggregate amount of remuneration of the five highest paid individuals was RMB28.4 million, RMB19.7 million and RMB43.6 million, respectively.

During the Track Record Period, no remuneration was paid to, or received by, the Directors or the five highest paid individuals as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group. No compensation was paid to, or received by, the Directors, former Directors or the five highest paid individuals for the loss of office as a director of any member of the Group or of any other office in connection with the management of the affairs of any member of the Group.

Save as disclosed above, no other payments have been made or are payable by the Group to the Directors in respect of the Track Record Period.

#### COMPLIANCE ADVISOR

The Company has appointed Altus Capital Limited as the Compliance Advisor pursuant to Rule 3A.19 of the Listing Rules. The Compliance Advisor will provide the Company with guidance and advice as to compliance with the requirements under the Listing Rules and applicable Hong Kong laws. Pursuant to Rule 3A.23 of the Listing Rules, the Compliance Advisor will, amongst other things, advise the Company in the following circumstances:

- (i) before the publication of any regulatory announcement, circular or financial report;
- (ii) where a transaction, which might be a notifiable or connected transaction, is contemplated including share issues sales or transfers of treasury shares and share repurchases;
- (iii) where the Group proposes to use the [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED] in a manner different from that detailed in this document or where the business activities, development or results of the Group deviate from any forecast, estimate, or other information in this document; and
- (iv) where the Stock Exchange makes an inquiry of the Company under Rule 13.10 of the Listing Rules.

The term of appointment of the Compliance Advisor shall commence on the [REDACTED] and is expected to end on the date on which the Company complies with Rule 13.46 of the Listing Rules in respect of its financial results for the first full financial year commencing after the [REDACTED].

## FUTURE PLANS AND USE OF [REDACTED]

#### **FUTURE PLANS**

See "Business — Our Strategies" for a detailed description of our future plans.

#### **USE OF [REDACTED]**

Assuming an [REDACTED] of HK\$[REDACTED] per H Share (being the midpoint of the range of the [REDACTED] stated in this document), we estimate that we will receive net [REDACTED] of approximately HK\$[REDACTED] from the [REDACTED] after deducting the [REDACTED] commissions and other estimated expenses in connection with the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised). We intend to use our [REDACTED] for the purposes and in the amounts set forth below.

- approximately [REDACTED]%, or HK\$[REDACTED], will be used for continuous enhancement of our R&D capabilities. R&D is important for maintaining our industry-leading position and supporting the long-term growth of our business by enabling us to respond effectively to the evolving needs of downstream applications. Strengthening our R&D capabilities will enable us to drive continuous product iteration and technological innovation, further enrich and optimize our product portfolio, capitalize on the opportunities arising from AI development, and strategically expand into emerging markets, thereby supporting the sustained expansion of our business. See "Business Our Strategies Advancing Technological Innovation, Broadening Product Portfolio and Expanding into Emerging Fields." In particular,
  - o approximately [REDACTED]%, or HK\$[REDACTED], will be used for the further enhancement and expansion of our R&D teams through continuous talent trainings and the recruitment of additional talents, especially in areas including designs of MCU, automotive-grade Flash and customised storage solutions, and high-speed interconnect interfaces, to strengthen our competitive advantages in the specialty memory chips market and enable us to better capture the growth opportunities presented by AI-driven applications; and
  - o approximately [REDACTED]%, or HK\$[REDACTED], will be used for the procurement of R&D materials and services, such as engineering sample chips and tape-out by foundries, and enhancement of our R&D infrastructure through procurement of R&D equipment and relevant software for IC designs.
- approximately [REDACTED]%, or HK\$[REDACTED], will be used for the strategic and industry-related investment and acquisition. Alongside organic growth, we aim to continue to selectively pursue strategic and industry-related partnerships, investment, and acquisitions in both mainland China and overseas that can enhance our overall competitiveness and fuel our sustainable growth. The focus of our strategic investments and acquisitions would be on IC design companies specialized in areas such as analog chips, SoC or other promising ICs aligned with industry

## FUTURE PLANS AND USE OF [REDACTED]

development trends, especially associated with edge AI. We intend to select potential targets capable of demonstrating synergies with our existing business, enriching our product portfolio and/or strengthening our technological capabilities. See "Business — Our Strategies — Pursuing External Growth Through Strategic and Industry-related Partnerships, Investments and Acquisitions." As of the Latest Practicable Date, we have not identified any target of potential acquisition.

- approximately [REDACTED]%, or HK\$[REDACTED], will be used for our global strategic expansion, including the enhancement of our global marketing and service network, as well as improvement of our operational efficiency. See "Business Our Strategies Fully Embrace AI to Seize the Unprecedented Opportunities in Industry Development," and "— Accelerate Our Globalization to Build a World-Class Global Technology Brand." In particular,
  - approximately [REDACTED]%, or HK\$[REDACTED], will be used for our global strategic expansion and strengthening our global presence. In particular, we plan to (i) promote the establishment of our overseas headquarter in Singapore to expand in overseas markets, integrate global resources and enhance our brand recognition worldwide, (ii) enhance our marketing efforts through advertising and promotional activities including sponsoring or participating in industry exhibitions and organizing product launch events, and (iii) expand our overseas sales and service network across countries including the United States, South Korea, Japan, the United Kingdom, Germany and Singapore, through deep collaboration with localized teams and channel partners to provide customers with rapid response and customized services; and
  - o approximately [REDACTED]%, or HK\$[REDACTED], will be used for the improvement of operational efficiency. In particular, we plan to (i) establish AI-enabled management systems to comprehensively enhance the operational efficiency, enabling in-depth data analysis and intelligent decision-making, and (ii) implement digitalized management systems for our R&D and supply chain operations to strengthen end-to-end coordination and responsiveness.
- approximately [**REDACTED**]%, or HK\$[**REDACTED**], will be used for working capital and other general corporate purposes.

In the event that the [REDACTED] is set at the maximum [REDACTED] or the minimum [REDACTED] of the indicative [REDACTED] range, the net [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED] will increase or decrease by approximately HK\$[REDACTED], respectively. If we make an upward or downward [REDACTED] adjustment to set the final [REDACTED] to be above or below the mid-point of the [REDACTED] range, we will increase or decrease the allocation of the net [REDACTED] to the above purposes on a pro rata basis.

## FUTURE PLANS AND USE OF [REDACTED]

The additional net [REDACTED] that we would receive if the [REDACTED] was exercised in full would be (i) HK\$[REDACTED] (assuming an [REDACTED] of HK\$[REDACTED] per H Share, being the maximum [REDACTED] of the indicative [REDACTED] range), (ii) HK\$[REDACTED] (assuming an [REDACTED] of HK\$[REDACTED] per H Share, being the mid-point of the indicative [REDACTED] range) and (iii) HK\$[REDACTED] (assuming an [REDACTED] of HK\$[REDACTED] per H Share, being the minimum [REDACTED] of the indicative [REDACTED] range). We intend to apply the additional net [REDACTED] to the above uses on a pro rata basis.

To the extent that the net [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED] are not immediately used for the above purposes or if we are unable to effect any part of our future development plans as intended, we may hold such funds in short-term interest-bearing accounts at licensed commercial banks and/or other authorized financial institutions (as defined under the Securities and Futures Ordinance or applicable laws and regulations in other jurisdictions). In such event, we will comply with the appropriate disclosure requirements under the Listing Rules.

# [REDACTED]

# STRUCTURE OF THE [REDACTED]

# **HOW TO APPLY FOR [REDACTED]**

The following is the text of a report set out on pages I-1 to I-[81], received from the Company's reporting accountants, KPMG, Certified Public Accountants, Hong Kong, for the purpose of incorporation in this document.



ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON HISTORICAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION TO THE DIRECTORS OF GIGADEVICE SEMICONDUCTOR INC. AND CHINA INTERNATIONAL CAPITAL CORPORATION HONG KONG SECURITIES LIMITED AND HUATAI FINANCIAL HOLDINGS (HONG KONG) LIMITED

#### Introduction

We report on the historical financial information of GigaDevice Semiconductor Inc. (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (together, the "Group") set out on pages I-4 to I-81, which comprises the consolidated statements of financial position of the Group and the statements of financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024, and the consolidated statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the consolidated statements of changes in equity and the consolidated statements of cash flows, for each of the years ended 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024 (the "Track Record Period"), and material accounting policy information and other explanatory information (together, the "Historical Financial Information"). The Historical Financial Information set out on pages I-4 to I-81 forms an integral part of this report, which has been prepared for inclusion in the document of the Company dated [•] (the "Document") in connection with the initial [REDACTED] of H shares of the Company on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

#### Directors' responsibility for the Historical Financial Information

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the Historical Financial Information that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the basis of preparation and presentation set out in Note 1 to the Historical Financial Information, and for such internal control as the directors of the Company determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the Historical Financial Information that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Reporting accountants' responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Historical Financial Information and to report our opinion to you. We conducted our work in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Investment Circular Reporting Engagements 200 "Accountants' Reports on Historical Financial Information in Investment Circulars" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA"). This standard requires that we comply with ethical standards and plan and perform our work to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Historical Financial Information is free from material misstatement.

Our work involved performing procedures to obtain evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the Historical Financial Information. The procedures selected depend on the reporting accountants' judgement, including the assessment of risks of material misstatement of the Historical Financial Information, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the reporting accountants consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the Historical Financial Information that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the basis of preparation and presentation set out in Note 1 to the Historical Financial Information in order to design procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Our work also included evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the Historical Financial Information.

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

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the Historical Financial Information gives, for the purpose of the accountants' report, a true and fair view of the Group's and the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024 and of the Group's financial performance and cash flows for the Track Record Period in accordance with the basis of preparation and presentation set out in Note 1 to the Historical Financial Information.

#### APPENDIX I

#### **ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT**

Report on matters under the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance

#### Adjustments

In preparing the Historical Financial Information, no adjustments to the Underlying Financial Statements as defined on page I-4 have been made.

#### Dividends

We refer to Note 31(b) to the Historical Financial Information which contains information about the dividends paid by the Company in respect of the Track Record Period.

#### [•]

Certified Public Accountants

8th Floor, Prince's Building 10 Chater Road Central, Hong Kong

[Date]

#### APPENDIX I

**ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT** 

#### HISTORICAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Set out below is the Historical Financial Information which forms an integral part of this accountants' report.

The consolidated financial statements of the Group for the Track Record Period, on which the Historical Financial Information is based, were audited by KPMG under separate terms of engagement with the Company in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing issued by the HKICPA (the "Underlying Financial Statements").

## **ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT**

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Expressed in Renminbi ("RMB"))

		Years	ended 31 Decem	ber
	Note	2022	2023	2024
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Revenue	4	8,129,992	5,760,823	7,355,978
Cost of sales		(4,432,776)	(4,014,515)	(4,732,760)
Gross profit		3,697,216	1,746,308	2,623,218
Other income	5	519,300	424,401	549,914
Selling and distribution expenses		(265,878)	(270,498)	(370,907)
Administrative expenses		(498,549)	(397,553)	(525,678)
Research and development expenses		(935,584)	(989,953)	(1,122,389)
Impairment loss on trade and other				
receivables	32(a)	(743)	(820)	(3,667)
Impairment loss on intangible assets	14(a)	_	(2,630)	_
Impairment loss on goodwill	15	(241,491)	(373,372)	
Profit from operations		2,274,271	135,883	1,150,491
Finance costs	<i>6(a)</i>	(7,889)	(7,115)	(19,253)
Share of profits less losses of				
associates	17	(3,957)	(4,020)	(7,575)
Profit before taxation	6	2,262,425	124,748	1,123,663
Income tax	7	(209,543)	36,393	(22,782)
Profit for the year		2,052,882	161,141	1,100,881

# **ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT**

		Years	ended 31 Decem	iber
	Note	2022	2023	2024
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Profit for the year		2,052,882	161,141	1,100,881
Other comprehensive income for the				
year (after tax):	10			
Items that will not be reclassified to				
profit or loss:				
<ul> <li>Equity investments at fair value</li> </ul>				
through other comprehensive				
income – net movement in fair		(40.025)	162.020	102 470
value reserves (non-recycling)		(40,935)	162,828	193,470
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:				
<ul><li>Exchange differences on</li></ul>				
translation of financial statements				
into presentation currency		82,080	17,823	17,887
<ul> <li>Share of other comprehensive</li> </ul>				
income of associates		127	(2)	2
Other comprehensive income for				
the year		41,272	180,649	211,359
Total comprehensive income for				
the year		2,094,154	341,790	1,312,240
Profit attributable to:				
Equity shareholders of the Company		2,052,882	161,141	1,102,543
Non-controlling interests				(1,662)
		2,052,882	161,141	1,100,881
Total comprehensive income attributable to:				
Equity shareholders of the Company		2,094,154	341,790	1,313,902
Non-controlling interests		_	_	(1,662)
		2,094,154	341,790	1,312,240
Earnings per share				
Basic (RMB)	11(a)	3.098	0.243	1.664
Diluted (RMB)	11(b)	3.089	0.242	1.660
Direct (KIMD)	11(b)	3.089	0.242	1.000

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(Expressed in RMB)

		A	s at 31 Decembe	r
	Note	2022	2023	2024
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Non-current assets				
Property, plant and equipment	12(a)	1,034,037	1,131,890	1,089,489
Right-of-use assets	13(a)	121,603	111,375	97,984
Intangible assets	14(a)	460,840	440,937	604,215
Goodwill	15	783,474	410,102	617,185
Interests in associates	17	11,800	25,734	137,074
Equity securities designated at fair				
value through other comprehensive				
income ("FVOCI")	18(a)	1,533,025	1,744,389	3,365,869
Financial assets measured at fair value				
through profit or loss ("FVPL")	19(a)	80,000	145,612	210,894
Other non-current assets	<i>22(b)</i>	972,841	572,866	402,268
Deferred tax assets	29(b)(ii)	234,424	269,918	269,055
		5,232,044	4,852,823	6,794,033
Current assets				
Financial assets measured at FVPL	19(a)	1,857,548	1,805,558	120,000
Inventories	20(a)	2,153,876	1,990,866	2,346,368
Trade and bills receivables	21(a)	173,930	127,280	231,791
Prepayments and other current assets	22(a)	320,097	386,020	608,614
Prepaid income tax	29(a)	34,342	27,371	14
Cash at bank and on hand	23(a)	6,874,850	7,265,862	9,128,010
		11,414,643	11,602,957	12,434,797
Current liabilities				
Trade payables	24(a)	479,266	501,844	733,599
Accruals and other payables	25(a)	598,626	351,661	522,731
Contract liabilities	26(a)	82,917	88,091	94,532
Bank loans	27(a)	_	_	898,221
Lease liabilities	28(a)	34,433	41,876	53,113
Income tax payable	29(a)	1,422	2,703	28,311
		1,196,664	986,175	2,330,507
Net current assets		10,217,979	10,616,782	10,104,290
Total assets less current liabilities		15,450,023	15,469,605	16,898,323

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		A	s at 31 Decembe	r
	Note	2022	2023	2024
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Non-current liabilities				
Lease liabilities	28(a)	89,901	74,390	48,023
Deferred income		84,490	69,100	49,732
Other non-current liabilities		_	2,000	2,000
Deferred tax liabilities	29(b)(ii)	88,492	124,542	119,791
		262,883	270,032	219,546
Net assets		<u>15,187,140</u>	15,199,573	16,678,777
Capital and reserves	31			
Share capital		667,025	666,906	664,124
Reserves		14,520,115	14,532,667	15,834,381
Total equity attributable to equity				
shareholders of the Company		15,187,140	15,199,573	16,498,505
Non-controlling interests				180,272
Total equity		<u>15,187,140</u>	15,199,573	16,678,777

## STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY

(Expressed in RMB)

		A	s at 31 Decembe	r
	Note	2022	2023	2024
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Non-current assets				
Property, plant and equipment	<i>12(b)</i>	629,943	594,198	508,922
Right-of-use assets	13(b)	65,707	46,211	38,117
Intangible assets	<i>14(b)</i>	392,110	435,291	376,798
Investments in subsidiaries	16	3,570,654	3,649,433	4,969,473
Interests in associates Equity securities designated at	17	_	_	104,761
FVOCI	18(b)	1,283,784	1,329,732	3,032,956
Financial assets measured at FVPL	19(b)	80,000	125,600	190,882
Other non-current assets	22(b)	814,041	564,960	393,812
Deferred tax assets		28,547	33,248	41,509
		6,864,786	6,778,673	9,657,230
Current assets				
Financial assets measured at FVPL	19(b)	1,517,438	1,504,350	_
Inventories	<i>20(b)</i>	1,299,582	831,585	954,530
Trade and bills receivables	21(b)	700,991	1,881,079	1,780,817
Prepayments and other current assets	22(a)	385,875	697,719	1,472,815
Prepaid income tax		20,383	15,535	_
Cash at bank and on hand		4,912,449	3,532,166	2,804,213
		8,836,718	8,462,434	7,012,375
Current liabilities				
Trade payables	24(b)	293,391	154,924	405,323
Accruals and other payables	25(b)	991,208	736,845	763,921
Contract liabilities	26(b)	13,936	105,076	23,943
Bank loans	27(b)	_	_	719,700
Lease liabilities	28(b)	20,344	20,014	25,426
		1,318,879	1,016,859	1,938,313
Net current assets		7,517,839	7,445,575	5,074,062
Total assets less current liabilities		14,382,625	14,224,248	14,731,292

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		A	s at 31 Decembe	r
	Note	2022	2023	2024
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Non-current liabilities				
Lease liabilities	28(b)	47,700	29,131	14,173
Deferred income		41,850	33,991	26,819
Deferred tax liabilities		47,901	48,028	57,734
		137,451	111,150	98,726
Net assets		14,245,174	14,113,098	14,632,566
Capital and reserves	31			
Share capital		667,025	666,906	664,124
Reserves		13,578,149	13,446,192	13,968,442
Total equity		14,245,174	14,113,098	14,632,566

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

(Expressed in RMB)

				Attrib	utable to equi	Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	of the Compa	ıny				
	Note	Share capital	Share premium	Treasury share reserve	Share-based payment reserve	Exchange reserve	Fair value reserve	Other reserve	Retained earnings	Total	Non- controlling interests	Total equity
		RMB'000 (Note $3I(c)$ )	RMB'000 (Note $3I(d)(i)$ )	RMB'000 (Note 31(d)(ii))	RMB'000 (Note 31(d)(iii))	RMB'000 (Note $3I(d)(iv)$ )	RMB'000 (Note $3I(d)(v)$ )	RMB'000 (Note 31(d)(vi))	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Balance at 1 January 2022		667,467	667,467 7,760,165	(434,320)	362,406	(57,323)	359,857	333,652	4,492,439	13,484,343	1 !	13,484,343
Changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2022: Profit for the year		I	ı	I	I	1	I	I	2,052,882	2,052,882	I	2,052,882
Other comprehensive income		1	1	1	1	82,080	(40,935)	127	1	41,272	1	41,272
Total comprehensive income for						000 00	(30.00)		600 630 6	0 004 154		151 100 0
the year		1 !	1 :	1 !	1 :	82,080	(40,933)	171	7,027,887	2,094,134	1 :	2,094,134
Restricted shares vested	30(b)	I	118,069	105,020	(118,069)	I	I	I	I	105,020	I	105,020
Cancellation of shares Equity settled share-based	3I(d)(ii)	(442)	(33,114)	33,556	1	I	I	1	I	I	1	I
payment expenses Dividends in relation to	30	I	I	I	203,181	I	I	3,108	I	206,289	I	206,289
unvested restricted shares		I	ı	4,849	ı	ı	I	ı	I	4,849	ı	4,849
Dividends approved and paid	<i>31(b)</i>	(442)	84,955	143,425	85,112	1   1	1   1	3,108	(707,515)	(391,357)		(391,357)
Balance at 31 December 2022		667,025	7,845,120	(290,895)	447,518	24,757	318,922	336,887	5,837,806	15,187,140		15,187,140

The accompanying notes form part of the Historical Financial Information.

				Attrib	utable to equi	Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	s of the Compa	ıny				
	Note	Share capital	Share premium	Treasury share reserve	Share-based payment reserve	<b>Exchange</b> reserve	Fair value reserve	Other reserve	Retained earnings	Total	Non- controlling interests	Total equity
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB '000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
		(Note 31(c))	$(Note\ 3I(d)(i))$	$(Note\ 3I(d)(ii))$	$(Note \ 3I(d)(iii))$	$(Note \ 3I(d)(iv))$	$(Note \ 3I(d)(v))$	$(Note \ 3I(d)(vi))$				
Balance at 1 January 2023		667,025	7,845,120	(290,895)	447,518	24,757	318,922	336,887	5,837,806	15,187,140	1 1	15,187,140
Changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2023:												
Profit for the year		I	I	I	I	I	I	I	161,141	161,141	I	161,141
Other comprehensive income		1	1	1	1	17,823	162,828	(2)	1	180,649	1	180,649
Total comprehensive income for												
the year		1 !	1 !	1 !	1 !	17,823	162,828	(2)	161,141	341,790		341,790
Restricted shares vested	30(b)	I	100,585	87,250	(100,585)	I	I	I	I	87,250	I	87,250
Cancellation of shares	3I(d)(ii)	(119)	(9,717)	9,836	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Purchase of own shares		I	1	(101,991)	I	I	I	I	I	(101,991)	I	(101,991)
Equity settled share-based												
payment expenses	30	I	I	I	97,138	I	I	I	I	97,138	I	97,138
designated at FVOCI		I	I	I	1	I	(28,038)	I	28,038	I	ı	I
Dividends in relation to unvested restricted shares		I	I	1.802	I	I	I	ı	ı	1.802	I	1.802
Dividends approved and paid	3I(b)	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	(413,556)	(413,556)	I	(413,556)
		(119)	90,868	(3,103)	(3,447)		(28,038)	1 1	(385,518)	(329,357)	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	(329,357)
Balance at 31 December 2023		906,999	7,935,988	(293,998)	444,071	42,580	453,712	336,885	5,613,429	15,199,573	1	15,199,573

The accompanying notes form part of the Historical Financial Information.

				Attrik	outable to equi	Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	s of the Comp	any				
	Note	Share capital	Share premium	Treasury share reserve	Share-based payment reserve	Exchange reserve	Fair value reserve	Other reserve	Retained earnings	Total	Non- controlling interests	Total equity
		RMB'000 (Note 31(c))	RMB'000 (Note 3I(d)(i))	$RMB'000 \\ (Note \\ 3I(d)(ii))$	$RMB'000 \\ (Note \\ 31(d)(iii))$	RMB'000 (Note 31(d)(iv))	RMB'000 $(Note $ $3I(d)(v))$	RMB'000 (Note 3I(d)(vi))	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Balance at 1 January 2024		906,999	7,935,988	(293,998)	444,071	42,580	453,712	336,885	5,613,429	15,199,573	1	15,199,573
Changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2024: Profit for the yearOther comprehensive income		1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	17,887	193,470	2	1,102,543	1,102,543	(1,662)	1,100,881
the year		1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1	1:	1 !	1 !	17,887	193,470	2 2	1,102,543	1,313,902	(1,662)	1,312,240
Restricted shares vested Cancellation of shares Purchase of own shares Equity settled share-based	30(b) $3I(d)(ii)$	(2,782)	66,271 (247,532)	58,400 250,314 (259,564)	(66,271)	1 1 1	1 1 1	1 1 1	1 1 1	58,400 - (259,564)	1 1 1	58,400 _ (259,564)
payment expenses	30	I	I	1	158,780	I	I	I	1	158,780	254	159,034
non-controlling interests Reduction in equity securities		I	I	I	I	I	1	I	I	I	4,500	4,500
designated at FVOCI		I	I	I	I	I	(80,438)	I	80,438	I	I	I
interests in connection with acquisition of a subsidiary Share of changes in associates'	33	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	177,180	177,180
other reserve		- (000.0)	(191)	- 0150	- 005 00	1	- (00 430)	27,414	00 430	27,414	101 024	27,414
Balance at 31 December 2024		(2,782) 664,124	7,754,727	(244,848)	536,580	60,467	566,744	364,301	6,796,410	16,498,505	180,272	16,678,777

The accompanying notes form part of the Historical Financial Information.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Expressed in RMB)

		Years	ended 31 Decem	ber
	Note	2022	2023	2024
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Operating activities				
Profit before taxation		2,262,425	124,748	1,123,663
Depreciation and amortisation  Net loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment and other	<i>6(c)</i>	371,753	443,681	467,339
non-current assets Equity-settled share-based payment	5	2,029	738	455
expenses	<i>6(b)</i>	203,181	97,138	159,034
measured at FVPL  Dividends from equity securities	5	(42,718)	(74,650)	(23,961)
designated at FVOCI Impairment loss on intangible	5	(4,868)	_	(1,259)
assets		_	2,630	_
receivables		743	820	3,667
Impairment loss on goodwill		241,491	373,372	_
Net foreign exchange gain		(109,613)	(14,578)	(97,197)
Finance costs	6(a)	7,889	7,115	19,253
associates		3,957	4,020	7,575
(Increase)/decrease in inventories  Decrease/(increase) in trade and		(704,957)	163,010	(267,520)
bills receivables (Increase)/decrease in prepayments and other current assets and other		145,804	30,155	(47,454)
non-current assets(Decrease)/increase in trade		(903,018)	167,040	240,598
payables		(163,217)	27,759	203,920
other payables		(3,031)	(165,269)	234,457
Increase in contract liabilities		11,345	7,097	4,891
Cash generated from operations		1,319,195	1,194,826	2,027,461
Income tax (paid)/refunded	29(a)	(369,504)	(8,077)	4,769
Net cash generated from operating				
activities		949,691	1,186,749	2,032,230

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		Years	ended 31 Decem	iber
	Note	2022	2023	2024
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Investing activities				
Payments for the purchase of property, plant and equipment and intangible				
assets		(550,843)	(348,363)	(499,018)
Proceeds from disposal of property,				
plant and equipment		136	25	29,330
Investments in associates Investments in equity securities		_	(17,956)	(91,499)
designated at FVOCI		(30,000)	(78,332)	(1,529,668)
Proceeds from equity securities				
designated at FVOCI		5,711	83,609	119,597
Investments in equity securities				
measured at FVPL		(80,000)	(65,612)	(60,000)
Purchase of wealth management				
products measured at FVPL		(2,750,000)	(5,465,000)	(420,000)
Proceeds from redemption of wealth				
management products measured at				
FVPL		3,310,000	5,505,000	2,100,000
Investment income from wealth				
management products measured at				
FVPL		51,272	91,726	25,666
Proceeds from disposal of non-current				
assets recognised prior to being				
acquired by the Group		_	_	27,277
Loans to non-controlling interests		_	_	(130,000)
Acquisition of a subsidiary, net of	2.2			(2.11.020)
cash acquired	33			(241,020)
Net cash used in investing activities .		(43,724)	(294,903)	(669,335)

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		Years	ended 31 Decem	ber
	Note	2022	2023	2024
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Financing activities				
Proceeds from bank loans	23(b)	_	_	1,269,193
Repayment of bank loans	23(b)	_	_	(418,699)
Capital element of lease rentals paid	23(b)	(31,353)	(42,103)	(44,299)
Interest element of lease rentals paid	23(b)	(6,973)	(6,659)	(5,558)
Purchase of own ordinary shares		_	(101,991)	(259,564)
Purchase of forfeited restricted shares.	23(b)	(34,472)	(10,292)	(55,529)
Dividends paid	<i>31(b)</i>	(707,515)	(413,556)	_
Capital injection from non-controlling interests		_	_	4,500
liabilities			2,000	
Interest paid	23(b)			(9,660)
Net cash (used in)/generated from financing activities		(780,313)	(572,601)	480,384
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		125,654	319,245	1,843,279
beginning of the year	23(a)	6,546,991	6,787,205	7,130,888
Effects of exchange rate changes	` /	114,560	24,438	129,992
Cash and cash equivalents at the				
end of the year	23(a)	6,787,205	7,130,888	9,104,159

## NOTES TO THE HISTORICAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

(Expressed in RMB unless otherwise indicated)

# 1 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND PRESENTATION OF THE HISTORICAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

GigaDevice Semiconductor Inc. (the "Company") was incorporated in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") on 6 April 2005 as a limited liability company. On 28 December 2012, the Company was converted from a limited liability company into a joint stock limited liability company and was listed on Shanghai Stock Exchange on 18 August 2016.

During the Track Record Period, the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") are principally engaged in the design, research and development, and sales of specialty memory chips, micro-control units, sensor chips, analog chips, and complete set of systems and solutions.

The financial statements of the Company and the subsidiaries of the Group for which there are statutory requirements were prepared in accordance with the relevant accounting rules and regulations applicable to entities in the countries and regions in which they were incorporated and/or established. The statutory financial statements of the Company for the years ended 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024 were prepared in accordance with the China Accounting Standards for Business Enterprises issued by the Ministry of Finance of the PRC (the "CASBE") and were audited by Zhongxinghua Certified Public Accountants LLP (中興華會計師事務所(特殊普通合夥)).

During the Track Record Period and as at the date of this report, the Company has interests in the following principal subsidiaries:

	Effective percentage of equity interests							
Name of company	Place and date of incorporation/ establishment	Particulars of issued/ registered and paid-up capital	Held by the Group	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	Principal activities	Auditors	
GigaDevice Semiconductor (HK) Ltd. (iii)	Hong Kong 4 August 2008	6,560,000 shares	100.00%	100.00%	-	Sales of chips	2022-2024: Cheng & Cheng Zhongxinghua CPA Limited	
Suzhou XySemi Electronic Technology Co., Ltd. 蘇州賽志電子科技有 限公司 ("XySemi") (Note 33) (i)(ii)	Chinese Mainland 27 February 2009	RMB57,779,499	38.07%	38.07%	-	Research and development and sales of chips	2022-2023: N/A, 2024: Zhongxinghua Certified Public Accountants LLP (中 興華會計師事務所(特 殊普通合夥)) (i)	
SiLead Inc. 上海思立微 電子科技有限公司 ("SiLead") (i)(ii)	Chinese Mainland 27 January 2011	RMB160,000,000	100.00%	100.00%	-	Research and development and sales of chips	2022-2024: Zhongxinghua Certified Public Accountants LLP (中 興華會計師事務所(特 殊普通合夥)) (i)	
GigaDevice Semiconductor (Shanghai) Inc. 上海格易電子有限公 司 (i)(ii)	Chinese Mainland 16 February 2012	RMB100,000,000	100.00%	100.00%	-	Research and development and sales of chips	2022-2024: Zhongxinghua Certified Public Accountants LLP (中 興華會計師事務所(特 殊普通合夥)) (i)	
GigaDevice Venture Capital 深圳市外攤科 技開發有限公司 (i)(ii)	Chinese Mainland 22 July 2013	RMB220,000,000	100.00%	100.00%	-	Investment holding	2022-2024: Zhongxinghua Certified Public Accountants LLP (中 興華會計師事務所(特 殊普通合夥)) (i)	
GigaDevice Semiconductor (Hefei) Inc. 合肥格易 集成電路有限公司 (i)(ii)	Chinese Mainland 13 March 2014	RMB39,614,178	100.00%	100.00%	-	Technology development and sales of chips	// / /	

Effective percentage

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	Place and		of equity interests					
Name of company	date of incorporation/ establishment	Particulars of issued/ registered and paid-up capital	Held by the Group	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	Principal activities	Auditors	
Gigadevice Semiconductor (Xi'an) Inc. 西安格易 安創集成電路有限公 司 (i)(ii)	Chinese Mainland 24 November 2017	RMB20,000,000	100.00%	100.00%	-	Technology development and sales of chips	2022-2024: Zhongxinghua Certified Public Accountants LLP (中 興華會計師事務所(特 殊普通合夥))(i)	
GigaDevice Semiconductor Singapore PTE. Ltd. (iii)	Singapore 23 November 2020	20,000,000 shares at USD1 each	100.00%	100.00%	-	Sales of chips	2022-2024: FOZL ASSURANCE PAC	
XC Memory Co., Ltd. 珠海横琴芯存半導體 有限公司 (i)(ii)	Chinese Mainland 11 July 2024	RMB100,000,000	100.00%	100.00%	-	Technology development and sales of chips	2024: Zhongxinghua Certified Public Accountants LLP (中 興華會計師事務所(特 殊普通合夥)) (i)	
CreMemory Technology Co., Ltd. 北京青耘科 技有限公司 (i)(ii)	Chinese Mainland 31 July 2024	Registered capital of RMB27,000,000 and paid-up capital of RMB25,500,000	77.78%	77.78%	-	Technology development and sales of chips	2024: Zhongxinghua Certified Public Accountants LLP (中 興華會計師事務所(特 殊普通合夥)) (i)	

#### Note:

- (i) These entities' official names are in Chinese. The English translations of these entities' names are for identification only.
- (ii) These entities are limited liability companies in Chinese Mainland.
- (iii) These entities are limited liability companies outside Chinese Mainland.

All entities comprising the Group have adopted 31 December as their financial year end date, except that a subsidiary established in the UK has adopted 31 March as its financial year.

The Historical Financial Information has been prepared in accordance with all applicable IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (the "IASB"). Further details of the material accounting policy information are set out in Note 2.

The IASB has issued a number of new and revised IFRS Accounting Standards. For the purpose of preparing the Historical Financial Information, the Group has adopted all applicable new and revised IFRS Accounting Standards to the Track Record Period, except for any new standards or interpretations that are not yet effective for the Track Record Period. The revised and new accounting standards and interpretations issued but not yet effective for the accounting year beginning 1 January 2024 are set out in Note 38.

The Historical Financial Information also complies with the applicable disclosure provisions of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in the Historical Financial Information.

The Historical Financial Information is presented in RMB and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand (RMB'000) except when otherwise indicated.

#### 2 MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION

#### (a) Basis of measurement

The measurement basis used in the preparation of the Historical Financial Information is the historical cost basis except that the following assets and liabilities are stated at their fair values as explained in the accounting policies set out below:

- financial assets measured at FVPL (see Note 2(f))
- equity securities designated at FVOCI (see Note 2(f))

#### (b) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of the Historical Financial Information in conformity with IFRS Accounting Standards requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing 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.

Judgements made by management in the application of IFRS Accounting Standards that have significant effect on the Historical Financial Information and major sources of estimation uncertainty are discussed in Note 3.

#### (c) Subsidiaries and non-controlling interests

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Group. The Group controls an entity when it is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the Historical Financial Information from the date on which control commences until the date on which control ceases.

Intra-group balances and transactions, and any unrealised income and expenses (except for foreign currency transaction gains or losses) arising from intra-group transactions, are eliminated. Unrealised losses resulting from intra-group transactions are eliminated in the same way as unrealised gains, but only to the extent that there is no evidence of impairment.

For each business combination, the Group can elect to measure any non-controlling interests ("NCI") either at fair value or the NCI's proportionate share of the subsidiary's net identifiable assets. NCI are presented in the consolidated statement of financial position within equity, separately from equity attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company. NCI in the results of the Group are presented on the face of the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income as an allocation of the total profit or loss and total comprehensive income for the year between NCI and the equity shareholders of the Company.

Changes in the Group's interests in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions.

When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, it derecognises the assets and liabilities of the subsidiary, and any related NCI and other components of equity. Any resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss. Any interest retained in that former subsidiary is measured at fair value when control is lost.

In the Company's statement of financial position, an investment in a subsidiary is stated at cost less impairment losses (see Note 2(j)(ii)) unless it is classified as held for sale.

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#### (d) Associates

An associate is an entity in which the Group or the Company has significant influence, but not control or joint control, over the financial and operating policies.

An interest in an associate is accounted for using the equity method, unless it is classified as held for sale. They are initially recognised at cost, which includes transaction costs. Subsequently, the Historical Financial Information includes the Group's share of the profit or loss and other comprehensive income ("OCI") of those investees, until the date on which significant influence ceases.

When the Group's share of losses exceeds its interest in the associate, the Group's interest is reduced to nil and recognition of further losses is discontinued except to the extent that the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the investee. For this purpose, the Group's interest is the carrying amount of the investment under the equity method, together with any other long-term interests that in substance form part of the Group's net investment in the associate, after applying the ECL model to such other long-term interests where applicable (see Note 2(j)(i)).

Unrealised gains arising from transactions with equity-accounted investees are eliminated against the investment to the extent of the Group's interest in the investee. Unrealised losses are eliminated in the same way as unrealised gains, but only to the extent there is no evidence of impairment.

In the Company's statement of financial position, an investment in an associate is accounted for using the equity method, unless it is classified as held for sale.

#### (e) Goodwill

Goodwill arising on acquisition of businesses is measured at cost less accumulated impairment losses and is tested annually for impairment (see Note 2(j)(ii)).

#### (f) Other investments in securities

The Group's policies for investments in securities, other than investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures, are set out below.

Investments in securities are recognised/derecognised on the date the Group commits to purchase/sell the investment. The investments are initially stated at fair value plus directly attributable transaction costs, except for those investments measured at FVPL for which transaction costs are recognised directly in profit or loss. For an explanation of how the Group determines fair value of financial instruments, see Note 32(e). These investments are subsequently accounted for as follows, depending on their classification.

### (i) Non-equity investments

Non-equity investments are mainly wealth management products and private equity funds, and are measured at FVPL. Changes in the fair value of the investment (including interest) are recognised in profit or loss.

#### (ii) Equity investments

An investment in equity securities is classified as FVPL, unless the investment is not held for trading purposes and on initial recognition the Group makes an irrevocable election to designate the investment at FVOCI (non-recycling) such that subsequent changes in fair value are recognised in OCI. Such elections are made on an instrument-by-instrument basis, but may only be made if the investment meets the definition of equity from the issuer's perspective. If such election is made for a particular investment, at the time of disposal, the amount accumulated in the fair value reserve (non-recycling) is transferred to retained earnings and not recycled through profit or loss. Dividends from an investment in equity securities, irrespective of whether classified as at FVPL or FVOCI, are recognised in profit or loss as other income (see Note 2(s)(ii)(a)).

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#### (g) Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses (see Note 2(j)(ii)).

If significant parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, then they are accounted for as separate items (major components).

Any gain or loss on disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in profit or loss.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of items of property, plant and equipment less their estimated residual values, if any, using the straight line method over their estimated useful lives, and is generally recognised in profit or loss, as follows:

- Buildings	10-35 years
- Machinery and equipment	3-10 years
- Motor vehicles	5 years
- Leasehold improvements	over the term of leases
- Others	3-5 years

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed annually and adjusted if appropriate.

#### (h) Intangible assets (other than goodwill)

Expenditure on research activities is recognised in profit or loss as incurred. Development expenditure is capitalised only if the expenditure can be measured reliably, the product or process is technically and commercially feasible, future economic benefits are probable and the Group intends to and has sufficient resources to complete development and to use or sell the resulting asset. Otherwise, it is recognised in profit or loss as incurred. Capitalised development expenditure is measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses until it is ready for intended use in which it will be reclassified as patents and proprietary technologies.

Other intangible assets, including patents and proprietary technologies, which have finite useful lives are measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses (see Note 2(j)(ii)).

Amortisation is calculated to write off the cost of intangible assets less their estimated residual values using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, if any, and is generally recognised in profit or loss, as follows:

– Patents and proprietary technologies	2-8 years
- Software and others	3-5 years

Amortisation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed annually and adjusted if appropriate.

#### (i) Leased assets

At inception of a contract, the Group assesses whether the contract is, or contains, a lease. This is the case if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. Control is conveyed where the customer has both the right to direct the use of the identified asset and to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from that use.

#### As a lessee

Where the contract contains lease component(s) and non-lease component(s), the Group has elected not to separate non-lease components and accounts for each lease component and any associated non-lease components as a single lease component for all leases.

At the lease commencement date, the Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability, except for leases that have a short lease term of 12 months or less, and leases of low-value items. When the Group enters into a lease in respect of a low-value item, the Group decides whether to capitalise the lease on a lease-by-lease basis. If not capitalised, the associated lease payments are recognised in profit or loss on a systematic basis over the lease term.

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Where the lease is capitalised, the lease liability is initially recognised at the present value of the lease payments payable over the lease term, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, using a relevant incremental borrowing rate. After initial recognition, the lease liability is measured at amortised cost and interest expense is recognised using the effective interest method. Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or rate are not included in the measurement of the lease liability, and are charged to profit or loss as incurred.

The right-of-use asset recognised when a lease is capitalised is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, less any lease incentives received. The right-of-use asset is subsequently stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses (see Note 2(j)(ii)). Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the term of leases.

The lease liability is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, if there is a change in the Group's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, or if the Group changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension or termination option. When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The lease liability is also remeasured when there is a lease modification, which means a change in the scope of a lease or the consideration for a lease that is not originally provided for in the lease contract, if such modification is not accounted for as a separate lease. In this case, the lease liability is remeasured based on the revised lease payments and lease term using a revised discount rate at the effective date of the modification.

In the consolidated statement of financial position, the current portion of long-term lease liabilities is determined as the principal portion of contractual payments that are due to be settled within twelve months after the reporting period.

## (j) Credit losses and impairment of assets

## (i) Credit losses from financial instruments

The Group recognises a loss allowance for expected credit losses ("ECL"s) on financial assets measured at amortised cost (including cash at bank and on hand, trade and bills receivables and other receivables).

Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. Generally, credit losses are measured as the present value of all expected cash shortfalls between the contractual and expected amounts.

The expected cash shortfall for fixed-rate financial assets and trade and other receivables are discounted using the effective interest rate determined at initial recognition or an approximation thereof.

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Group is exposed to credit risk.

ECLs are measured on either of the following bases:

- 12-month ECLs: these are the portion of ECLs that result from default events that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date (or a shorter period if the expected life of the instrument is less than 12 months); and
- lifetime ECLs: these are the ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected lives of the items to which the ECL model applies.

The Group measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs, except for the following, which are measured at 12-months ECLs:

financial instruments that are determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date; and

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other financial instruments for which credit risk (i.e. the risk of default occurring over the
expected life of the financial instrument) has not increased significantly since initial recognition.

Loss allowances for trade and bills receivables are always measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs.

Significant increases in credit risk

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition and when measuring ECLs, the Group considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on the Group's historical experience and informed credit assessment, that includes forward-looking information.

The Group assumes that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly if it is past due.

The Group considers a financial asset to be in default when the debtor is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Group in full, without recourse by the Group to actions such as realising security (if any is held).

Depending on the nature of the financial instruments, the assessment of a significant increase in credit risk is performed on either an individual basis or a collective basis. When the assessment is performed on a collective basis, the financial instruments are grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics, such as past due status and credit risk ratings.

ECLs are remeasured at each reporting date to reflect changes in the financial instrument's credit risk since initial recognition. Any change in the ECL amount is recognised as an impairment gain or loss in profit or loss. The Group recognises an impairment gain or loss for all financial instruments with a corresponding adjustment to their carrying amounts through a loss allowance account.

#### Credit-impaired financial assets

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether a financial asset is credit-impaired. A financial asset is credit-impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

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

- significant financial difficulties of the debtor;
- a breach of contract, such as a default or being past due;
- the restructuring of a loan or advance by the Group on terms that the Group would not consider otherwise:
- it is probable that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; or
- the disappearance of an active market for a security because of financial difficulties of the issuer.

#### Write-off policy

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset, is written off to the extent that there is no realistic prospect of recovery. This is generally the case when the Group determines that the debtor does not have assets or sources of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write-off.

Subsequent recoveries of an asset that was previously written off are recognised as a reversal of impairment in profit or loss in the period in which the recovery occurs.

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#### (ii) Impairment of other non-current assets

At each reporting date, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its non-financial assets (other than inventories and deferred tax assets) to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. Goodwill is tested annually for impairment.

For impairment testing, assets are grouped together into the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets or cash-generating units ("CGU"s). Goodwill arising from a business combination is allocated to CGUs or groups of CGUs that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination.

The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs of disposal. Value in use is based on the estimated future cash flows, 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 CGU.

An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset or CGU exceeds its recoverable amount.

Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. They are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the CGU, and then to reduce the carrying amounts of the other assets in the CGU on a pro rata basis.

An impairment loss in respect of goodwill is not reversed. For other assets, an impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the resulting carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

#### (k) Inventories

Inventories are assets which are held for sale in the ordinary course of business, in the process of production for such sale or in the form of materials or supplies to be consumed in the production process or in the rendering of services.

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Cost is calculated using the weighted average cost formula and comprises all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

#### (l) Contract liabilities

A contract liability is recognised when the customer pays non-refundable consideration before the Group recognises the related revenue (see Note 2(s)(i)). A contract liability is also recognised if the Group has an unconditional right to receive non-refundable consideration before the Group recognises the related revenue. In such latter cases, a corresponding receivable is also recognised (see Note 2(m)).

#### (m) Trade and other receivables

A receivable is recognised when the Group has an unconditional right to receive consideration and only the passage of time is required before payment of that consideration is due.

Trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component are initially measured at their transaction price. Trade receivables that contain a significant financing component and other receivables are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs. All receivables are subsequently stated at amortised cost (see Note 2(j)(i)).

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#### (n) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and on hand, demand deposits with banks and other financial institutions, and other short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. Cash and cash equivalents are assessed for ECL (see Note 2(j)(i)).

#### (o) Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are initially recognised at fair value. Subsequent to initial recognition, trade and other payables are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at invoice amounts.

#### (p) Interest-bearing borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are measured initially at fair value less transaction costs. Subsequently, these borrowings are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Interest expense is recognised in accordance with Note 2(u).

#### (q) Employee benefits

#### (i) Short-term employee benefits and contributions to defined contribution retirement plans

Short-term employee benefits are expensed as the related service is provided. A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid if the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

Obligations for contributions to defined contribution retirement plans are provided under the relevant local regulations and are expensed as the related service is provided.

#### (ii) Share-based payments

The grant-date fair value of share option granted to employees is measured using valuation model. The grant-date fair value of restricted share granted to employees is equal to the closing price of the Company's publicly trading shares on grant date. The amount is generally recognised as an expense, with a corresponding increase in equity, over the vesting period of the awards. The amount recognised as an expense is adjusted to reflect the number of awards for which the related service conditions are expected to be met, such that the amount ultimately recognised is based on the number of awards that meet the related service conditions at the vesting date.

#### (iii) Termination benefits

Termination benefits are expensed at the earlier of when the Group can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits and when the Group recognises costs for a restructuring.

### (r) Income tax

Income tax expense comprises current tax and deferred tax. It is recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to a business combination, or items recognised directly in equity or in OCI.

Current tax comprises the estimated tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year and any adjustments to the tax payable or receivable in respect of previous years. The amount of current tax payable or receivable is the best estimate of the tax amount expected to be paid or received that reflects any uncertainty related to income taxes. It is measured using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date. Current tax also includes any tax arising from dividends.

Current tax assets and liabilities are offset only if certain criteria are met.

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Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. Deferred tax is not recognised for:

- temporary differences on the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a
  business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss and does not give rise
  to equal taxable and deductible temporary differences;
- temporary differences related to investment in subsidiaries and associates to the extent that the Group
  is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that they will
  not reverse in the foreseeable future;
- taxable temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of goodwill; and
- those related to the income taxes arising from tax laws enacted or substantively enacted to implement the Pillar Two model rules published by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development.

The Group recognised deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities separately in relation to its lease liabilities and right-of-use assets.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for unused tax losses, unused tax credits and deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be used. Future taxable profits are determined based on the reversal of relevant taxable temporary differences. If the amount of taxable temporary differences is insufficient to recognise a deferred tax asset in full, then future taxable profits, adjusted for reversals of existing temporary differences, are considered, based on the business plans for individual subsidiaries in the Group. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realised; such reductions are reversed when the probability of future taxable profits improves.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset only if certain criteria are met.

#### (s) Revenue and other income

Income is classified by the Group as revenue when it arises from the sale of goods and the provision of services in the ordinary course of the Group's business.

Further details of the Group's revenue and other income recognition policies are as follows:

#### (i) Revenue from contracts with customers

Revenue is recognised when control over a product or service is transferred to the customer at the amount of promised consideration to which the Group is expected to be entitled, excluding those amounts collected on behalf of third parties such as value added tax or other sales taxes.

Further details of the Group's revenue recognition policies are as follows:

### (a) Revenue from sale of goods

The Group's sales contracts with customers of specialty memory chips, micro-control units, sensor chips and analog chips contain various delivery terms. Depending on the delivery terms, control of these goods is generally transferred to customers upon delivery of these goods to and acceptance of goods by the customers or the designated recipients by the customers, at which point the Group recognises revenue.

## (b) Revenue from rendering of services

The Group's revenue from rendering of services is generated from the provision of technical support service in the development of specialty memory chips, micro-control units, sensor chips and analog chips. Revenue is recognised when the service is provided to and confirmed by the customers.

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#### (ii) Revenue from other sources and other income

#### (a) Dividends

Dividend income is recognised in profit or loss on the date on which the Group's right to receive payment is established.

#### (b) Interest income

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to the gross carrying amount of the financial asset. In calculating interest income, the effective interest rate is applied to the gross carrying amount of the asset (when the asset is not credit-impaired). However, for financial assets that have become credit-impaired subsequent to initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset. If the asset is no longer credit-impaired, then the calculation of interest income reverts to the gross basis.

#### (c) Government grants

Government grants are recognised in the statement of financial position initially when there is reasonable assurance that they will be received and that the Group will comply with the conditions attaching to them.

Grants that compensate the Group for expenses incurred are recognised as other income in profit or loss on a systematic basis in the same periods in which the expenses are incurred.

Grants that compensate the Group for the cost of an asset is recognised as deferred income in the statement of financial position and amortised over the useful life of the related asset, and is recognised as other income.

#### (t) Translation of foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into the respective functional currencies of group companies at the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency at the exchange rates at the reporting date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured based on historical cost in a foreign currency are translated at the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency differences are generally recognised in profit or loss.

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations are translated into RMB, the Group's presentation currency, at the exchange rates at the reporting date. The income and expenses of foreign operations are translated into RMB at the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Foreign currency differences are recognised in OCI and accumulated in the exchange reserve, except to the extent that the translation difference is allocated to NCI.

#### (u) Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

#### (v) Provisions and contingent liabilities

Generally provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pretax rate that reflects current market assessment of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability.

Where it is not probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required, or the amount cannot be estimated reliably, the obligation is disclosed as a contingent liability, unless the probability of outflow of economic benefits is remote. Possible obligations, whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more future events are also disclosed as contingent liabilities unless the probability of outflow of economic benefits is remote.

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#### (w) Related parties

- (a) A person, or a close member of that person's family, is related to the Group if that person:
  - (i) has control or joint control over the Group;
  - (ii) has significant influence over the Group; or
  - (iii) is a member of the key management personnel of the Group or the Group's parent.
- (b) An entity is related to the Group if any of the following conditions applies:
  - (i) The entity and the Group are members of the same group.
  - (ii) One entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or an associate or joint venture of a member of a group of which the other entity is a member).
  - (iii) Both entities are joint ventures of the same third party.
  - (iv) One entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third entity.
  - (v) The entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the Group or an entity related to the Group.
  - (vi) The entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a).
  - (vii) A person identified in (a)(i) has significant influence over the entity or is a member of the key management personnel of the entity (or of a parent of the entity).
  - (viii) The entity, or any member of a group of which it is a part, provides key management personnel services to the Group or to the Group's parent.

Close members of the family of a person are those family members who may be expected to influence, or be influenced by, that person in their dealings with the entity.

#### (x) Segment reporting

Operating segments, and the amounts of each segment item reported in the Historical Financial Information, are identified from the financial information provided regularly to the Group's most senior executive management for the purposes of allocating resources to, and assessing the performance of, the Group's various lines of business and geographical locations.

Individually material operating segments are not aggregated for financial reporting purposes unless the segments have similar economic characteristics and are similar in respect of the nature of products and services, the nature of production processes, the type or class of customers, the methods used to distribute the products or provide the services, and the nature of the regulatory environment. Operating segments which are not individually material may be aggregated if they share a majority of these criteria.

### 3 ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES

Notes 15, 30 and 32(e) contain information about the assumptions and their risk factors relating to goodwill impairment, fair value of share-based payments and financial instruments, respectively. Other significant sources of estimation uncertainty are as follows:

#### Impairment of non-current non-financial assets

If circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of a non-current non-financial asset may not be recoverable, the asset may be considered "impaired", and an impairment loss may be recognised in accordance with accounting policy for impairment of non-current assets as described in Note 2(j)(ii). These assets are tested for impairment periodically or whenever the events or changes in circumstances indicate that their recorded carrying amounts may not be recoverable. When such a decline has occurred, the carrying amount is reduced to recoverable amount. The

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recoverable amount is the greater of the fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. In determining the value in use, expected future cash flows generated by the asset are discounted to their present value, which requires significant judgment relating to the level of revenue and amount of operating costs. The Group uses all readily available information in determining an amount that is a reasonable approximation of the recoverable amount, including estimates based on reasonable and supportable assumptions and projections of the level of revenue and amount of operating costs. Changes in these estimates could have a significant impact on the recoverable amount of the assets and could result in additional impairment charge or reversal of impairment in future periods.

#### 4 REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING

The principal activities of the Group are the design, research and development, and sales of specialty memory chips, micro-control units, sensor chips, analog chips, and complete set of systems and solutions.

#### (a) Revenue

#### (i) Disaggregation of revenue

Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers by major products or service lines is as follows:

	Years ended 31 December			
	2022	2023	2024	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Revenue from contracts with customers within				
the scope of IFRS 15				
Disaggregated by major products or service lines:				
- Specialty memory chips	4,825,856	4,077,311	5,194,173	
- Micro-control units	2,825,357	1,312,209	1,690,547	
- Sensor chips	434,974	352,449	448,300	
- Analog chips	3,851	4,604	15,468	
- Others	39,954	14,250	7,490	
	8,129,992	5,760,823	7,355,978	

During the Track Record Period, the Group's revenue was sustantially recognised at a point in time.

The Group's customer base is diversified and no customer with whom transactions have exceeded 10% of the Group's revenue for the years ended 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024. Details of concentrations of credit risk are set out in Note 32(a).

# (ii) Revenue expected to be recognised in the future arising from contracts with customers in existence at the reporting date

The Group takes advantage of the practical expedient in paragraph 121 of IFRS 15 and does not disclose the remaining performance obligation as all of the Group's sale contracts have an original expected duration of less than 1 year.

#### (b) Segment reporting

#### (i) Segment results

IFRS 8, Operating Segments, requires identification and disclosure of operating segment information based on internal financial reports that are regularly reviewed by the Group's chief operating decision maker for the purpose of resources allocation and performance assessment. On this basis, as for the purpose of making decisions about resources allocation and performance assessment, the Group's management reviews the operating results of the Group as a whole by products and services and the Group has determined that it only has one operating segment during the Track Record Period.

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Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers by major products' gross profit or loss as provided to the Group's management for the purposes of resource allocation and performance assessment of products and services for the Track Record Period is set out below:

Year ended 31 December 2022

	Specialty memory chips	Microcontrol units  RMB'000	Sensor chips  RMB'000	Analog chips  RMB'000	Others RMB'000	Less: write-down of inventories recognised	Total  RMB'000
Revenue	4,825,856	2,825,357	434,974	3,851	39,954	_	8,129,992
Gross profit/(loss) .	1,934,749	1,833,903	71,168	959	33,857	(177,420)	3,697,216

#### Year ended 31 December 2023

	Specialty memory chips	Micro-control units	Sensor chips RMB'000	Analog chips  RMB'000	Others	Less: write-down of inventories recognised	Total  RMB'000
Revenue	4,077,311	1,312,209	352,449	4,604	14,250	- KMB 000	5,760,823
Gross profit/(loss) .	1,344,959	569,404	56,382	(1,923)	14,193	(236,707)	1,746,308

#### Year ended 31 December 2024

	Specialty memory chips	Micro- control units	Sensor chips	Analog chips	Others	Less: write-down of inventories recognised	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Revenue	5,194,173	1,690,547	448,300	15,468	7,490	_	7,355,978
Gross profit/(loss) .	2,091,500	621,085	73,797	1,628	7,343	(172, 135)	2,623,218

## Geographic information

Information about the Group's revenue from external customers, presented based on their location of registration, is as follows:

	Years ended 31 December			
	2022	2023	2024	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Chinese Mainland	1,663,528	1,331,795	1,923,578	
Hong Kong	4,343,530	2,915,429	3,374,412	
Taiwan	971,430	892,786	1,177,028	
Others	1,151,504	620,813	880,960	
	8,129,992	5,760,823	7,355,978	

The non-current assets of the Group are substantially located or allocated to operations in the Chinese Mainland.

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### 5 OTHER INCOME

	Years ended 31 December			
	2022	2023	2024	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Interest income	157,427	238,622	334,447	
Net gain from financial assets measured				
at FVPL	42,718	74,650	23,961	
Dividends from equity securities designated				
at FVOCI ( <i>Note 18(a)</i> )	4,868	_	1,259	
Government grants	76,260	72,319	51,589	
Net gain on foreign exchange differences	194,884	29,134	130,595	
Net loss on disposal of property, plant and				
equipment and other non-current assets	(2,029)	(738)	(455)	
Others	45,172	10,414	8,518	
	519,300	424,401	549,914	

#### 6 PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

Profit before taxation is arrived at after charging:

#### (a) Finance costs

	Years ended 31 December				
	2022	2023	2024		
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000		
Interest on bank loans	_	_	9,633		
Interest on lease liabilities	6,973	6,659	5,558		
obligation	916	456	4,062		
	7,889	7,115	19,253		

#### (b) Staff costs

	Years ended 31 December			
	2022	2023	2024	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Salaries, wages and other benefits	816,484	786,813	1,078,794	
schemes ( <i>Note</i> )	50,978	66,447	78,573	
(Note 30)	203,181	97,138	159,034	
	1,070,643	950,398	1,316,401	

Note:

Employees of the Company and its subsidiaries established in the Chinese Mainland are required to participate in defined contribution retirement schemes administered and operated by the respective local municipal governments. The Group contributes funds which are calculated on certain percentages of the average employee salary as agreed by the respective local municipal governments to the schemes as retirement benefits for the employees.

The subsidiaries of the Group incorporated in Hong Kong are required to make contributions to the Mandatory Provident Funds under the Hong Kong Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance.

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All other overseas subsidiaries of the Group are subject to the statutory enterprise contribution retirements schemes under the laws and regulations of the respective countries/jurisdictions.

The Group has no further material obligation for payment of other retirement benefits beyond the above contributions.

### (c) Other items

	Years ended 31 December			
	2022	2023	2024	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Cost of inventories # (Note 20(a)) Depreciation charges: #	4,388,065	4,000,904	4,680,587	
- property, plant and equipment	219,446	276,785	283,815	
- right-of-use assets	37,043	42,499	44,402	
Amortisation of intangible assets #	115,264	124,397	139,122	

<sup>#</sup> Cost of inventories includes RMB73,873,000, RMB117,146,000 and RMB132,650,000 for the years ended 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024, respectively, relating to depreciation and amortisation charges, which amount is also included in the respective total amounts disclosed separately above for each of these types of expenses.

# 7 INCOME TAX IN THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

#### (a) Taxation in the consolidated statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income represent:

	Years ended 31 December				
	2022	2023	2024		
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000		
Current tax – Chinese Mainland (Note 29(a))					
Provision for the year	252,132	17,272	42,780		
Under/(over)-provision in respect of prior years .	3,072	(2,822)	2,345		
	255,204	14,450	45,125		
Current tax - Overseas (Note 29(a))	,	,	,		
Provision for the year	1,171	2,283	1,097		
	256,375	16,733	46,222		
<b>Deferred tax</b> (Note $29(b)(i)$ )					
Origination and reversal of temporary					
differences	(46,832)	(53,126)	(23,440)		
	209,543	(36,393)	22,782		

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#### (b) Reconciliations between tax expenses and accounting profits at applicable tax rates

	Years ended 31 December			
•	2022	2023	2024	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Profit before taxation	2,262,425	124,748	1,123,663	
Tax on profit before taxation, calculated at the rates applicable to profits in the jurisdictions				
concerned (Note (i))	568,020	12,930	269,755	
Tax effect of non-taxable income	(244)	(11,287)	(17,669)	
Tax effect of non-deductible expenses	48,853	44,829	11,509	
Tax rates differentials (Notes (ii) and (iii))	(358,682)	13,505	(135,174)	
Tax effect of additional deduction for research and development expenses (Notes (ii) and				
(iii))	(70,031)	(95,661)	(102,163)	
Tax effect of unrecognised unused tax losses and				
deductible temporary differences	18,555	2,113	(5,821)	
Under/(over)-provision in respect of prior years .	3,072	(2,822)	2,345	
	209,543	(36,393)	22,782	

#### Notes:

(i) Entities of the Group established in the Chinese Mainland were subject to the PRC Corporate Income Tax rate of 25% during the Track Record Period.

The provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax for the Track Record Period was calculated at 16.5% of the estimated assessable profits for the year. During the Track Record Period, a subsidiary of the Group was under the two-tiered profits tax rate regime, i.e. the first Hong Kong Dollars ("HK\$") 2,000,000 of assessable profits were taxed at 8.25% and the remaining assessable profits were taxed at 16.5%.

Taxation for subsidiaries incorporated in other jurisdictions is calculated at the applicable income tax rates in the relevant countries.

- (ii) The Company and certain subsidiaries are regarded as key enterprises in the industry. According to the announcement on preferential corporate income tax policies for key enterprises, the Company and these subsidiaries were subject to a preferential tax rate of 10% during the Track Record Period. The Company and these subsidiaries were also entitled to an additional tax deductible allowance amounting to 120% of the qualified research and development costs incurred for each of the years during the Track Record Period.
- (iii) Certain subsidiaries of the Group obtained the certificates of "High and New Technology Enterprise" ("HNTE") from the tax authorities and were subject to a preferential tax rate of 15% during the Track Record Period. These subsidiaries were also entitled to an additional tax deductible allowance amounting to 75% or 100% of the qualified research and development costs incurred for each of the years during the Track Record Period.

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## 8 DIRECTORS' AND SUPERVISORS' EMOLUMENTS

13,651

11,249

217

450

25,567

3,889

29,456

Details of the emoluments of the directors and supervisors of the Company during the years ended 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024 are as followings:

	Year ended 31 December 2022						
	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	Discretionary bonuses	Retirement scheme contributions	Directors' and supervisors' fees	Sub-total	Share-based payments	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000 (Note (i))	RMB'000
Directors							
Mr. Zhu Yiming	2,937	4,100	63	_	7,100	_	7,100
Mr. Zhang Shuai	_	_	_	_	-	_	_
Mr. Wang Zhiwei							
(Note iii)	-	_	_	_	-	_	_
Mr. He Wei	1,119	902	58	_	2,079	3,482	5,561
Ms. Li Hong (appointed on 16 December							
2022)	77	93	3	_	173	225	398
Mr. Hu Hong (appointed on 16 December							
2022)	55	134	3	_	192	182	374
Mr. Shu Qingming (resigned on 26 October 2022)	4,156	3,398	35		7,589		7,589
Mr. Cheng Taiyi (resigned on	4,130	3,396	33	_	7,369	_	7,369
26 October 2022)	5,149	2,565	35	_	7,749	_	7,749
Independent directors	-,,	_,			,,,,,,		,,, .,
Mr. Zhang Kedong	_	_	_	150	150	_	150
Mr. Liang Shangshang	_	_	_	150	150	_	150
Mr. Qian He	_	_	_	150	150	_	150
Supervisors (Note ii)							
Ms. Wen Tian (Note iii).	158	57	20	_	235	_	235
Mr. Ge Liang	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Ms. Hu Jing							

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	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	Discretionary bonuses	Retirement scheme contributions	Directors' and supervisors' fees	Sub-total	Share-based payments	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
						$(Note\ (i))$	
Directors							
Mr. Zhu Yiming	2,886	_	68	_	2,954	_	2,954
Mr. He Wei	1,111	_	63	_	1,174	1,881	3,055
Mr. Wang Zhiwei	-,				-,-, .	-,	-,
(Note iii)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Mr. Hu Hong	3,026	_	63	_	3,089	2,239	5,328
Ms. Li Hong	1,936	_	68	_	2,004	2,777	4,781
Mr. Zhang Shuai (resigned on 26 June							
2023)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Independent directors							
Mr. Zhang Kedong	_	_	_	150	150	_	150
Mr. Liang Shangshang	_	_	_	150	150	_	150
Mr. Qian He	_	_	_	150	150	_	150
Mr. Zheng Xiaodong (appointed on							
12 September 2023)	_	_	_	46	46	_	46
Supervisors (Note ii)							
Ms. Wen Tian (Note iii) .	177	23	29	_	229	_	229
Mr. Ge Liang	_	_	_	_	-	_	-
Ms. Hu Jing	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
	9,136	23	291	496	9,946	6,897	16,843

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			Year end	ed 31 December	2024		
	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	Discretionary bonuses	Retirement scheme contributions	Directors' and supervisors' fees	Sub-total	Share-based payments	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000 (Note (i))	RMB'000
Directors							
Mr. Zhu Yiming	2,873	1,855	71	_	4,799	_	4,799
Mr. He Wei Mr. Wang Zhiwei	1,059	420	65	-	1,544	1,730	3,274
(Note iii)	_		_	_		_	_
Mr. Hu Hong Ms. Li Hong  (resigned on	2,889	3,323	66	_	6,278	11,137	17,415
16 December 2024)	1,860	1,547	68	_	3,475	4,742	8,217
Independent directors	,	ŕ			,	,	ŕ
Mr. Zhou Haitao							
(appointed on							
16 December 2024)	_	_	_	11	11	_	11
Mr. Qian He	_	_	_	154	154	_	154
Ms. Yang Xiaowen (appointed on							
16 December 2024)	_	_	_	11	11	_	11
Ms. Chen Jie (appointed							
on 16 December							
2024)	_	_	_	11	11	_	11
Mr. Zheng Xiaodong	_	_	_	154	154	_	154
Mr. Zhang Kedong (resigned on							
16 December 2024)	_	_	_	144	144	_	144
Mr. Liang Shangshang							
(resigned on							
16 December 2024)	_	_	_	144	144	_	144
Supervisors (Note ii)			2-		404		101
Ms. Wen Tian (Note iii).	115	44	35	_	194	_	194
Mr. Ge Liang	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Ms. Liu Xiaowei (appointed on							
16 December 2024))	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Ms. Hu Jing							
(resigned on							
16 December 2024)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
	8 796	7 189	305	629	16 919	17 609	34 528

#### Notes:

The details of these benefits in kind, including the principal terms and number of share options and restricted shares granted, are disclosed in Note 30.

- (ii) Subsequent to the Track Record Period, the extraordinary general meeting of the Company approved of the cancellation of the board of supervisors on 10 June 2025 and there are no supervisors of the Company thereon.
- (iii) Subsequent to the Track Record Period, Mr. Wang Zhiwei resigned as a director and Ms. Wen Tian was appointed as a director on 10 June 2025.

<sup>(</sup>i) These represent the estimated value of share options and restricted shares granted to the directors under the Company's share-based plans. The values of these share options and restricted shares are measured according to the Group's accounting policies for share-based payment transactions as set out in Note 2(q)(ii) and, in accordance with that policy, includes adjustments to reverse amounts accrued in previous years where grants of equity instruments are forfeited prior to vesting.

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## 9 INDIVIDUALS WITH HIGHEST EMOLUMENTS

The number of directors and non-directors included as the five highest paid individuals of the Group for the years ended 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024 are set forth below:

	Years ended 31 December			
	2022	2023	2024	
	Number of individuals	Number of individuals	Number of individuals	
Directors	5	2	3	
Non-directors	Ξ	3	2	
	5 =	5 =	5 =	

The emoluments of directors are disclosed in Note 8. The aggregate of the emoluments in respect of the remaining highest paid individuals are as follows:

	Years ended 31 December			
	2022	2023	2024	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Salaries and other emoluments	_	4,477	3,308	
Discretionary bonuses	_	_	2,458	
Retirement scheme contributions	_	189	132	
Share-based payments		5,150	7,268	
	_ =	9,816	13,166	

The emoluments of the individuals who are not directors and who are amongst the five highest paid individuals of the Group are within the following bands:

	Years ended 31 December			
	2022	2023	2024	
	Number of individuals	Number of individuals	Number of individuals	
HK\$3,000,001 – HK\$3,500,000	_	1	_	
HK\$3,500,001 - HK\$4,000,000	_	2	_	
HK\$6,000,001 - HK\$6,500,000	_	_	1	
HK\$8,000,001 - HK\$8,500,000	_	_	1	
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#### OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME 10

Tax effects relating to each component of other comprehensive income

Year ended 31 December 2022				
Before-tax amount	Tax benefit/ (expense)	Net-of-tax amount		
RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000		
(47.450)	6,515	(40,935		

	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Equity securities designated at FVOCI – net movement in fair value reserve (non-recycling)	(47,450)	6,515	(40,935)
Exchange differences on translation of financial statements into presentation currency	82,080	_	82,080
Share of other comprehensive income of associates	127		127
Other comprehensive income	34,757	6,515	41,272

### Year ended 31 December 2023

	Before-tax amount	Tax (expense)/ benefit	Net-of-tax amount		
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000		
Equity securities designated at FVOCI – net movement in fair value reserve (non-recycling)	216,514	(53,686)	162,828		
statements into presentation currency	17,823	_	17,823		
Share of other comprehensive income of associates	(2)		(2)		
Other comprehensive income	234,335	(53,686)	180,649		

## Year ended 31 December 2024

	Before-tax amount	Tax (expense)/ benefit	Net-of-tax amount	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Equity securities designated at FVOCI – net movement in fair value reserve (non-recycling)	209,110	(15,640)	193,470	
statements into presentation currency	17,887	_	17,887	
Share of other comprehensive income of associates	2	_	2	
Other comprehensive income	226,999	(15,640)	211,359	

### 11 EARNINGS PER SHARE

### (a) Basic earnings per share

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders of the Company of RMB2,052,882,000, RMB161,141,000 and RMB1,102,543,000 for the years ended 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024, respectively, and the weighted average number of the Company's ordinary shares in issue during the respective years, calculated as follows:

#### Weighted average number of ordinary shares

	Years ended 31 December			
	2022	2023	2024	
	'000	'000	'000	
Issued ordinary shares at the beginning of the				
year	667,467	667,025	666,906	
(Note $31(d)(ii)$ )	(5,538)	(3,745)	(3,510)	
Issued shares at the beginning of the year	661,929	663,280	663,396	
Effect of shares repurchased (Note 31(d)(ii))	_	(171)	(1,236)	
Effect of restricted shares vested (Note 31(d)(ii)).	710	574	559	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares at				
the end of the year	662,639	663,683	662,719	

#### (b) Diluted earnings per share

The calculation of diluted earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders of the Company of RMB2,052,882,000, RMB161,141,000 and RMB1,102,543,000 for the years ended 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024, respectively, and the weighted average number of the Company's ordinary shares (diluted), calculated as follows:

### (i) Weighted average number of ordinary shares (diluted)

	Years ended 31 December			
	2022	2023	2024	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares at				
the end of the year	662,639	663,683	662,719	
Effect of deemed issue of shares under the				
Company's restricted shares plan (Note 30(b)).	1,889	1,405	1,326	
Effect of deemed issue of shares under the				
Company's share option plans (Note 30(a))	_	_	206	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares				
(diluted) at the end of the year	664,528	665,088	664.251	
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# 12 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

## (a) The Group

	Buildings	Machinery and equipment	Motor vehicles	Leasehold improvements	Others	Total
-	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Cost:						
At 1 January 2022 Additions	395,110 10,046	744,254 342,672	1,500 348	47,551 3,032	94,613 39,475	1,283,028 395,573
Disposals	4,412	(17,180) 4,301	-	_	(4,924) 108	(22,104) 8,821
At 31 December 2022	409,568	1,074,047	1,848	50,583	129,272	1,665,318
Accumulated	- 212/2 2 2	- 212 - 21 - 1				-21121
depreciation:						
At 1 January 2022 Charge for the year Written back on	28,647 11,369	346,842 170,508	963 260	8,931 12,462	42,857 24,847	428,240 219,446
disposals	_	(15,455)	_	_	(4,658)	(20,113)
Exchange adjustments	257	3,361			90	3,708
At 31 December 2022	40,273	505,256	1,223	21,393	63,136	631,281
Carrying amount: At 31 December 2022	369,295	568,791	625	29,190 =====	66,136	1,034,037
Cost:	100 569	1 074 047	1 0 1 0	50 592	120 272	1 665 210
At 1 January 2023 Additions	409,568 159,376	1,074,047 168,726	1,848 156	50,583 22,337	129,272 24,434	1,665,318 375,029
Disposals	_	(7,564)	_	(4,364)	(4,515)	(16,443)
Exchange adjustments	885	795			11	1,691
At 31 December 2023	569,829	1,236,004	2,004	68,556	149,202	2,025,595
Accumulated depreciation:						
At 1 January 2023	40,273	505,256	1,223	21,393	63,136	631,281
Charge for the year	13,837	218,380	210	11,989	32,369	276,785
Written back on disposals	_	(6,816)	_	(4,364)	(4,243)	(15,423)
Exchange adjustments	83	967			12	1,062
At 31 December 2023	54,193	717,787	1,433	29,018	91,274	893,705
Carrying amount:						
At 31 December 2023	515,636	518,217	<u>571</u>	39,538	57,928	1,131,890
Cost:	7.60.020	1 226 004	2 004	(0.55(	1.40.202	2 025 505
At 1 January 2024 Additions	569,829 1,545	1,236,004 200,831	2,004 2,674	68,556 4,095	149,202 17,017	2,025,595 226,162
Additions through	1,545	200,031	2,074	4,073	17,017	220,102
acquisition of a		11 504	256	446	7 156	19,362
subsidiary (Note 33) . Disposals	_	11,504 (2,147)	256 (420)		7,156 (1,623)	(4,190)
Exchange adjustments	792	960	25	_	5	1,782
At 31 December 2024	572,166	1,447,152	4,539	73,097	171,757	2,268,711
Accumulated depreciation:						
At 1 January 2024	54,193	717,787	1,433	29,018	91,274	893,705
Charge for the year Additions through	15,449	225,141	495	13,313	29,417	283,815
acquisition of a subsidiary (Note 33).	-	227	-	_	3,397	3,624
Written back on disposals	_	(1,407)	(399)	_	(906)	(2,712)
Exchange adjustments	65	717	2	_	6	790
At 31 December 2024	69,707	942,465	1,531	42,331	123,188	1,179,222
Carrying amount: At 31 December 2024	502,459	504,687	3,008	30,766	48,569	1,089,489

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	Buildings	Machinery and equipment	Motor vehicles	Leasehold improvements	Others	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Cost:						
At 1 January 2022	216,376	594,107	847	18,954	44,159	874,443
Additions	-	192,706	-	1,882	26,394	220,982
Disposals		(18,051)			(2,873)	(20,924)
At 31 December 2022	216,376	768,762	847	20,836	67,680	1,074,501
Accumulated depreciation:						
At 1 January 2022	14,843	271,507	754	1,549	25,485	314,138
Charge for the year Written back on	5,901	124,851	51	4,600	10,141	145,544
disposals		(12,396)			(2,728)	(15,124)
At 31 December 2022	20,744	383,962	805	6,149	32,898	444,558
Carrying amount:						
At 31 December 2022	195,632	384,800	42	14,687	34,782	629,943
Cost:						
At 1 January 2023	216,376	768,762	847	20,836	67,680	1,074,501
Additions	_	134,651	-	_	12,668	147,319
Disposals		(7,480)			(1,953)	(9,433)
At 31 December 2023	216,376	895,933	847	20,836	78,395	1,212,387
Accumulated depreciation:						
At 1 January 2023	20,744	383,962	805	6,149	32,898	444,558
Charge for the year Written back on	5,901	155,120	-	4,709	16,490	182,220
disposals		(6,736)			(1,853)	(8,589)
At 31 December 2023	26,645	532,346	805	10,858	47,535	618,189
Carrying amount:						
At 31 December 2023	189,731	363,587	<u>42</u>	9,978	30,860	594,198
Cost:	216 276	005.022	0.47	20.026	70.205	1 212 207
At 1 January 2024	216,376	895,933	847	20,836	78,395	1,212,387
Additions Disposals	_	148,357 (123,275)	464 (420)	2,686	10,347 (7,981)	161,854 (131,676)
•	216,376		891			
At 31 December 2024	210,370	921,015		23,522	80,761	1,242,565
Accumulated depreciation:						
At 1 January 2024	26,645	532,346	805	10,858	47,535	618,189
Charge for the year Written back on	5,901	158,156	29	4,162	15,583	183,831
disposals		(65,192)	(399)		(2,786)	(68,377)
At 31 December 2024	32,546	625,310	435	15,020	60,332	733,643
Carrying amount:						
At 31 December 2024	183,830	295,705	456	8,502	20,429	508,922

## 13 RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS

The reconciliations of the carrying amounts of right-of-use assets by class of underlying assets are as follows:

# (a) The Group

	Leased properties	Land use rights	Others	Total
	RMB'000 (Note (i))	RMB'000 (Note (ii))	RMB'000	RMB'000
Cost:				
At 1 January 2022	151,036	5,224	9,717	165,977
Additions	15,870	_	4,217	20,087
Disposals	(8,026)	_	_	(8,026)
Exchange adjustments	116			116
At 31 December 2022	158,996	5,224	13,934	178,154
Accumulated depreciation:				
At 1 January 2022	23,133	557	1,889	25,579
Charge for the year	33,060	104	3,879	37,043
Written back on disposals	(6,124)	_	_	(6,124)
Exchange adjustments	53			53
At 31 December 2022	50,122	661	5,768	56,551
Carrying amount:				
At 31 December 2022	108,874	4,563	8,166	121,603
Cost:			<u> </u>	
At 1 January 2023	158,996	5,224	13,934	178,154
Additions	32,862	_	2,168	35,030
Disposals	(11,335)	_	_	(11,335)
Exchange adjustments	(7)			(7)
At 31 December 2023	180,516	5,224	16,102	201,842
Accumulated depreciation:				
At 1 January 2023	50,122	661	5,768	56,551
Charge for the year	36,750	104	5,645	42,499
Written back on disposals	(8,578)	_	_	(8,578)
Exchange adjustments	(5)			(5)
At 31 December 2023	78,289	765	11,413	90,467
Carrying amount:		<del></del>		<del></del>
At 31 December 2023	102,227	4,459	4,689	111,375
2020	====	-,		=====

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	Leased properties	Land use rights	Others	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Note (i))	(Note (ii))		
Cost:				
At 1 January 2024	180,516	5,224	16,102	201,842
Additions	13,116	_	11,129	24,245
Additions through acquisition of a				
subsidiary (Note 33)	12,180	_	_	12,180
Disposals	(255)	_	_	(255)
Exchange adjustments	53			53
At 31 December 2024	205,610	5,224	27,231	238,065
Accumulated depreciation:				
At 1 January 2024	78,289	765	11,413	90,467
Charge for the year	38,232	104	6,066	44,402
Additions through acquisition of a				
subsidiary (Note 33)	5,451	_	_	5,451
Written back on disposals	(255)	_	_	(255)
Exchange adjustments	16			16
At 31 December 2024	121,733	869	17,479	140,081
G				
Carrying amount:	02.077	4 255	0.753	07.004
At 31 December 2024	83,877	4,355	9,752	97,984

The analyses of expense items in relation to leases recognised in the consolidated statements of profit or loss are as follows:

	Years ended 31 December			
	2022	2023	2024	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Depreciation charges of right-of-use assets	37,043 	42,499	44,402 ====	
Interest on lease liabilities (Note $6(a)$ )	6,973	6,659	5,558	
Expenses relating to short-term leases	3,171	3,025	3,151	

Details of total cash outflow for leases and the maturity analyses of lease liabilities are set out in Notes 23(c) and 28, respectively.

## (i) Leased properties

The Group has obtained the right to use properties as office premises through tenancy agreements. The leases typically run for an initial period of 2 to 6 years.

## (ii) Land use rights

Land in respect of land use rights are all located in the Chinese Mainland with a lease period of 50 years. Lump sum payments were made upfront to acquire these property interests from the relevant government authorities.

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	Leased properties	Others	Total
	RMB'000 (Note 13(a)(i))	RMB'000	RMB'000
Cost:			
At 1 January 2022	82,633	9,717	92,350
Additions		4,217	4,217
At 31 December 2022	82,633	13,934	96,567
Accumulated depreciation:			
At 1 January 2022	9,073	1,889	10,962
Charge for the year	16,019	3,879	19,898
At 31 December 2022	25,092	5,768	30,860
Carrying amount:			
At 31 December 2022	57,541	8,166	65,707
Cost:			
At 1 January 2023	82,633	13,934	96,567
Additions		2,168	2,168
At 31 December 2023	82,633	16,102	98,735
Accumulated depreciation:			
At 1 January 2023	25,092	5,768	30,860
Charge for the year	16,019	5,645	21,664
At 31 December 2023	41,111	11,413	52,524
Carrying amount:			
At 31 December 2023	41,522	4,689	46,211
Cost:			====
At 1 January 2024	82,633	16,102	98,735
Additions	3,304	11,129	14,433
At 31 December 2024	85,937	27,231	113,168
Accumulated depreciation:			
At 1 January 2024	41,111	11,413	52,524
Charge for the year	16,461	6,066	22,527
At 31 December 2024	57,572	17,479	75,051
Carrying amount:			
At 31 December 2024	<u>28,365</u>	9,752	38,117

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## 14 INTANGIBLE ASSETS

# (a) The Group

	Development expenditure	Patents and proprietary technologies	Software and others	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Cost:				
At 1 January 2022	129,970	387,589	121,113	638,672
Additions	93,865	_	40,855	134,720
Transfer (out)/in	(112,520)	112,520	_	_
Disposals	_	_	(22,387)	(22,387)
Exchange adjustments		93		93
At 31 December 2022	111,315	500,202	139,581	751,098
Accumulated amortisation and				
impairment losses:				
At 1 January 2022	_	156,234	41,129	197,363
Amortisation for the year	_	74,618	40,646	115,264
Written back on disposals	_	-	(22,387)	(22,387)
Exchange adjustments		18		18
At 31 December 2022	<u></u>	230,870	59,388	290,258
Carrying amount:				
At 31 December 2022	111,315	<u>269,332</u>	80,193	460,840
Cost:				
At 1 January 2023	111,315	500,202	139,581	751,098
Additions	77,124	637	29,394	107,155
Transfer (out)/in	(25,978)	25,978	_	_
Disposals	_	-	(36,078)	(36,078)
Exchange adjustments		19		19
At 31 December 2023	162,461	526,836	132,897	822,194
Accumulated amortisation and				
impairment losses:	_	220.970	50.200	200.259
At 1 January 2023	_	230,870 87,520	59,388 36,877	290,258 124,397
Impairment loss	2,630	67,320	30,677	2,630
Written back on disposals	2,030	_	(36,078)	(36,078)
Exchange adjustments	_	50	(50,070)	50
At 31 December 2023	2,630	318,440	60,187	381,257
	<u></u>	<u></u>		
Carrying amount:	150.001	200.265	70.71°	440.00=
At 31 December 2023	159,831	208,396	72,710	440,937

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	Development expenditure	Patents and proprietary technologies	Software and others	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Cost:				
At 1 January 2024	162,461	526,836	132,897	822,194
Additions	133,727	_	124,960	258,687
Additions through acquisition of a				
subsidiary (Note 33)	_	39,252	8,255	47,507
Transfer (out)/in	(75,246)	75,246	_	_
Disposals	(2,630)	(283)	(26,326)	(29,239)
Exchange adjustments	_	17	_	17
At 31 December 2024	218,312	641,068	239,786	1,099,166
Accumulated amortisation and impairment losses:				
At 1 January 2024	2,630	318,440	60,187	381,257
Amortisation for the year	_	94,294	44,828	139,122
Additions through acquisition of a				
subsidiary (Note 33)	_	_	3,795	3,795
Written back on disposals	(2,630)	(283)	(26,326)	(29,239)
Exchange adjustments		16		16
At 31 December 2024		412,467	82,484	494,951
Carrying amount:				
At 31 December 2024	218,312	228,601	157,302	604,215

	Development expenditure	Patents and proprietary technologies	Software and others	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Cost:				
At 1 January 2022	133,399	125,836	91,633	350,868
Additions	158,166	_	33,202	191,368
Transfer (out)/in	(152,953)	152,953	_	_
Disposals	_	_	(21,939)	(21,939)
At 31 December 2022	138,612	278,789	102,896	520,297
Accumulated amortisation and impairment losses:				
At 1 January 2022	_	51,952	31,529	83,481
Amortisation for the year	_	39,324	27,321	66,645
Written back on disposals	_	_	(21,939)	(21,939)
At 31 December 2022		91,276	36,911	128,187
Carrying amount:				
At 31 December 2022	138,612	187,513	65,985	392,110

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	Development expenditure	Patents and proprietary technologies	Software and others	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Cost:				
At 1 January 2023	138,612	278,789	102,896	520,297
Additions	113,855	637	24,816	139,308
Transfer (out)/in	(25,978)	25,978	_	_
Disposals			(24,218)	(24,218)
At 31 December 2023	226,489	305,404	103,494	635,387
Accumulated amortisation and impairment losses:				
At 1 January 2023	_	91,276	36,911	128,187
Amortisation for the year	_	63,888	29,609	93,497
Impairment loss	2,630	_	_	2,630
Written back on disposals	_	_	(24,218)	(24,218)
At 31 December 2023	2,630	155,164	42,302	200,096
Carrying amount:				
At 31 December 2023	223,859	150,240	61,192	435,291
Cost:				====
At 1 January 2024	226,489	305,404	103,494	635,387
Additions	111,590	-	110,519	222,109
Transfer (out)/in	(101,928)	101,928	-	
Disposals	(173,719)		(21,878)	(195,597)
At 31 December 2024	62,432	407,332	192,135	661,899
Accumulated amortisation and impairment losses:				
At 1 January 2024	2,630	155,164	42,302	200,096
Amortisation for the year	_	73,018	36,495	109,513
Written back on disposals	(2,630)	_	(21,878)	(24,508)
At 31 December 2024		228,182	56,919	285,101
Carrying amount:	60.422	170 150	125 216	276 700
At 31 December 2024	62,432	179,150	135,216	376,798

## 15 GOODWILL

	SiLead CGU	XySemi CGU	Freethink CGU	Total
	RMB'000 (Note 15(a))	RMB'000 (Note 15(b))	RMB'000	RMB'000
Cost:				
At January 1 2022 and at 31 December 2022 and 2023 Additions through acquisition of a	1,305,479	-	3,092	1,308,571
subsidiary (Note 33)	_	207,083	_	207,083
At 31 December 2024	1,305,479	207,083	3,092	1,515,654
Accumulated impairment losses:				
At 1 January 2022	283,606	_	_	283,606
Impairment loss	241,491			241,491
At 31 December 2022 and 1 January				
2023	525,097	_	-	525,097
Impairment loss	373,372			373,372
At 31 December 2023 and 1 January				
2024	898,469	_	_	898,469
Impairment loss				
At 31 December 2024	898,469	_	_	898,469
Carrying amount:			<del></del>	
At 31 December 2022	780,382	_	3,092	783,474
			<u> </u>	
At 31 December 2023	407,010		3,092	410,102
At 31 December 2024	407,010	207,083	3,092	617,185

## Impairment tests for CGUs containing goodwill

For the purpose of impairment testing as at 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024, goodwill arising from the acquisition of SiLead Inc. (上海思立微電子科技有限公司) in 2019 was allocated to the SiLead CGU, goodwill arising from the acquisition of Suzhou XySemi Electronic Technology Co., Ltd. (蘇州賽芯電子科技有限公司) in 2024 was allocated to the XySemi CGU, and goodwill arising from the acquisition of Suzhou Freethink Information Technology Co., Ltd. (蘇州福瑞思信息科技有限公司) in 2019 was allocated to the Freethink CGU.

#### (a) SiLead CGU

The recoverable amount of the SiLead CGU is determined based on value-in-use calculations. The Group engaged an independent professional valuer to assist with the calculation. These calculations use cash flow projections based on financial budgets approved by management covering a five-year period. The key assumptions used in estimating the recoverable amounts are as follows:

	As at 31 December				
	2022	2023	2024		
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000		
Annual revenue growth rates during the					
five-year period (Note (i))	6%-36%	8%-31%	3%-16%		
Net profit margin (Note (i))	4%-11%	1%-9%	2%-11%		
Growth rate beyond the five-year period					
(Note (ii))	0%	0%	0%		
Pre-tax discount rate (Note (iii))	11.64%	10.61%	10.65%		

(i) The annual revenue growth rates and net profit margin are based on current operational status and future business plan of the CGU, and the Group's historical experience and forecast of the semiconductor markets.

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- (ii) The growth rate beyond the five-year period does not exceed the average growth rate of the relevant industry.
- (iii) The pre-tax discount rate reflects specific risks relating to the SiLead CGU.

The management of the Group considered that attributable to the delay in the commercial production of certain customers' products which resulted in the SiLead CGU not meeting the original expected business results, and based on the above assessments, concluded that impairment losses of RMB241,491,000 and RMB373,372,000 were required at 31 December 2022 and 2023, respectively, and such losses were recognised in the consolidated statements of profit or loss for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2023, respectively. As at 31 December 2024, the amount of headroom for SiLead CGU was RMB14,060,000.

The management of the Group have undertaken sensitivity analysis on the impairment test of goodwill. The following table sets out the hypothetical change to pre-tax discount rate that would have removed the remaining headroom:

As at 31 December 2024	SiLead CGU
Pre-tax discount rate	+2.0%

## (b) XySemi CGU

The recoverable amount of the XySemi CGU is determined based on value-in-use calculations. The Group engaged an independent professional valuer to assist with the calculation. These calculations use cash flow projections based on financial budgets approved by management covering a five-year period. The key assumptions used in estimating the recoverable amount are as follows:

	As at 31 December 2024	
	RMB'000	
Annual revenue growth rates during the five-year period (Note (i))	2%-24%	
Net profit margin (Note (i))	27%-29%	
Growth rate beyond the five-year period (Note (ii))	0%	
Pre-tax discount rate (Note (iii))	15.26%	

- (i) The annual revenue growth rates and net profit margin are based on current operational status and future business plan of the CGU, and the Group's historical experience and forecast of the semiconductor markets.
- (ii) The growth rate beyond the five-year period does not exceed the average growth rate of the relevant industry.
- (iii) The pre-tax discount rate reflects specific risks relating to the XySemi CGU.

As at 31 December 2024, the amount of headroom for XySemi CGU was RMB39,116,000.

Management have undertaken sensitivity analysis on the impairment test of goodwill. The following table sets out the hypothetical change to pre-tax discount rate that would have removed the remaining headroom:

As at 31 December 2024	XySemi CGU
Pre-tax discount rate	+5.0%

## 16 INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

## The Company

	As at 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Investments in subsidiaries, at cost	3,570,654	3,815,081	5,135,121
Less: impairment losses		(165,648)	(165,648)
	3,570,654	3,649,433	4,969,473

Details of the Group's subsidiaries are set out in Note 1.

XySemi, the subsidiary of the Group which accounts for the majority of the NCI, was acquired by the Group in December 2024, and the financial information of XySemi on the acquisition date is set out in Note 33.

#### 17 INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES

## The Group

The following list contains the particulars of the Group's associates, all of which are unlisted corporate entities:

			Percentage of ownership interest attributable to the Group			
Name of associates	Place of establishment	Particulars of registered and paid-up capital	As a 2022	2023	r 2024	Principal activity
Hefei Stony Creek GigaDevice Chuangzhi Venture Capital Fund Partnership (Limited Partnership) (合肥 石溪兆易創智創業 投資基金專企業 (有限合夥)) (i)(ii)	Chinese Mainland	Registered capital of RMB1,100,000,000 and paid-up capital of RMB330,000,000	-	-	27.27%	Equity investment and asset management
Hefei Reliance Memory Limited (合肥睿科微電子 有限公司) (i)	Chinese Mainland	RMB37,995,300	10.00%	12.50%	11.26%	Design, technology development and sales of integrated circuit products
Transcputing Tech Co., Ltd (上海光 羽芯辰科技有限 公司) (i)(ii)	Chinese Mainland	Registered capital of RMB14,704,806 and paid-up capital of RMB11,255,574	-	-	8.95%	Sales of chips
Deep Simplicity Technology Co., Ltd. (上海奧 簡微電子科技有 限公司) (i)	Chinese Mainland	RMB10,526,316	19.00%	19.00%	19.00%	Sales of chips

As at 31 December

(ii) Hefei Stony Creek GigaDevice Chuangzhi Venture Capital Fund Partnership (Limited Partnership) and Transcputing Tech Co., Ltd are directly invested by the Company.

Aggregate information of associates that are not individually material is as follows:

		As at 31 December	
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Aggregate carrying amounts of individually immaterial associates in the consolidated			
statements of financial position	11,800	25,734	<u>137,074</u>
	Yea	ars ended 31 December	
	2022	2022	2022
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Aggregate amounts of the Group's share of the			
associates' profits less losses	(3,957)	(4,020)	(7,575)

## 18 EQUITY SECURITIES DESIGNATED AT FVOCI

## (a) The Group

	As at 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Investments in unlisted equity securities Investments in equity securities listed in the	1,514,674	1,453,024	3,170,572
Chinese Mainland	18,351	291,365	195,297
	1,533,025	1,744,389	3,365,869

The unlisted equity securities were investments in entities established in the Chinese Mainland. The Group designated these investments as financial assets measured at FVOCI (non-recycling), as the investments are held for strategic purposes. As at 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024, RMB1,133,807,000, RMB1,133,807,000 and RMB2,833,601,000 represents the Group's investments in a related party, CXMT Corporation (長鑫科技集團股份有限公司)\*, an entity principally engaged in the design, manufacture and sales of semiconductor products.

Dividends of RMB4,868,000, RMBNil and RMB1,259,000 were received by the Group on these investments during the years ended 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024, respectively (see Note 5).

<sup>(</sup>i) These entities' official names are in Chinese. The English translations of these entities' names are for identification only.

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## (b) The Company

	As at 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Investments in unlisted equity securities Investments in equity securities listed in the	1,265,433	1,308,433	3,016,601
Chinese Mainland	18,351	21,299	16,355
	1,283,784	1,329,732	3,032,956

## 19 FINANCIAL ASSETS MEASURED AT FVPL

## (a) The Group

	As at 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Non-current assets			
- Private equity funds	80,000	145,612	210,894
Current assets			
- Wealth management products	1,857,548	1,805,558	120,000

All non-current assets are investments in unlisted private equity funds established in the Chinese Mainland and are measured at FVPL.

Wealth management products are issued by financial institutions in the Chinese Mainland. During the Track Record Period, the investment period of the wealth management products ranged from 31 to 365 days with expected annual yield ranging from 0.50% to 3.40%.

As at 31 December		
2022	2023	2024
RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
80,000	125,600	190,882
1,517,438	1,504,350	
	2022 RMB'000 80,000	2022 2023  RMB'000 RMB'000  80,000 125,600

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## 20 INVENTORIES

# (a) The Group

	As at 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Raw materials	1,192,425	1,339,048	1,134,950
Work in progress	261,161	289,985	426,950
Finished goods	928,945	706,050	1,156,432
Others			859
	2,382,531	2,335,083	2,719,191
Less: write-down of inventories	(228,655)	(344,217)	(372,823)
	2,153,876	1,990,866	2,346,368

The analyses of the amounts of inventories recognised as expenses and included in the consolidated statements of profit or loss are as follows:

	Years ended 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Carrying amount of inventories consumed	4,251,890	3,885,342	4,651,981
Add: write-down of inventories, net	136,175	115,562	28,606
	4,388,065	4,000,904	4,680,587

	As at 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Raw materials	1,006,642	745,833	796,746
Finished goods	423,377	258,622	307,317
Others			2,802
	1,430,019	1,004,455	1,106,865
Less: write-down of inventories	(130,437)	(172,870)	(152,335)
	1,299,582	831,585	954,530

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## 21 TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES

## (a) The Group

	As at 31 December		
•	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Trade receivables due from third parties Less: loss allowance ( $Note\ 32(a)$ )	142,625 (504)	114,147 -	212,601 (585)
Bills receivables	142,121 31,809	114,147 13,133	212,016 19,775
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	173,930	127,280	231,791

All of the trade and bills receivables are expected to be recovered within one year.

#### Ageing analyses

Trade receivables (net of loss allowance), based on the invoice date, are with the following ageing analyses as of the end of each reporting period:

	As at 31 December			
-	2022	2022 2023		
-	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Within 3 months	134,502	114,147	211,221	
More than 3 months but less than 1 year	7,619	_	795	
	142,121	114,147	212,016	

Further details on the Group's credit policy and credit risk arising from trade receivables are set out in Note 32(a).

	As at 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Trade receivables due from:			
- subsidiaries	700,183	1,879,545	1,775,500
- third parties	808	1,534	5,317
	700,991	1,881,079	1,780,817

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# 22 PREPAYMENTS AND OTHER CURRENT ASSETS AND OTHER NON-CURRENT ASSETS

## (a) Prepayments and other current assets

## (i) The Group

	As at 31 December			
	2022	2023	2024	
_	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Other receivables:				
<ul> <li>receivable from NCI arose from the acquisition of a subsidiary (Notes (i)</li> </ul>				
and 33)	_	_	171,561	
- deposits	13,567	15,715	39,124	
- others	1,288	429	5,053	
	14,855	16,144	215,738	
Less: loss allowance (Note 32(a))	(2,298)	(3,518)	(8,086)	
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	12,557	12,626	207,652	
Prepayments for inventories to third parties	35,082	24,183	24,533	
Input VAT deductible	62,261	81,968	108,454	
Current portion of other non-current assets				
(Note $22(b)(i)$ )	194,000	243,000	250,000	
Others	16,197	24,243	17,975	
	320,097	386,020	608,614	

All of the prepayments and other receivables are expected to be recovered or recognised as expenses within one year.

Note:

 The receivable from NCI is secured by the NCI's equity interests in XySemi and properties owned by the NCI.

	As at December 31		
	2022	2022 2023	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Other receivables:			
- amounts due from subsidiaries	105,288	388,700	1,135,731
- deposits	6,027	5,958	6,363
- others	115	182	2,608
	111,430	394,840	1,144,702
Less: loss allowance	(590)	(1,171)	(2,923)
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	110,840	393,669	1,141,779
Prepayments for inventories to third parties	32,321	22,328	23,862
Input VAT deductible	33,778	16,163	40,613
Current portion of other non-current assets			
(Note $22(b)(ii)$ )	194,000	243,000	250,000
Others	14,936	22,559	16,561
	385,875	697,719	1,472,815

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## (b) Other non-current assets

## (i) The Group

	As at 31 December		
•	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Prepayments for suppliers' production capacity (Note)	1,000,006	806,006	563,006
and equipment and intangible assets	166,835	9,860	89,262
	1,166,841	815,866	652,268
Less: current portion of other non-current assets  (Note 22(a)(i))  - prepayments for suppliers' production capacity			
expected to be settled within one year	(194,000)	(243,000)	(250,000)
•	972,841	572,866	402,268

Note: The prepayments for suppliers' production capacity are deposits paid to suppliers to secure these suppliers' production capacities for a certain period, and will be deducted by subsequent purchases of inventories from these suppliers.

## (ii) The Company

		As at 31 December	
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Prepayments for suppliers' production capacity Prepayments for acquisitions of property, plant	1,000,006	806,006	563,006
and equipment and intangible assets	8,035	1,954	80,806
	1,008,041	807,960	643,812
Less: current portion of other non-current assets (Note 22(a)(ii))			
- prepayments for suppliers' production capacity	(104,000)	(2.42,000)	(250,000)
expected to be settled within one year	(194,000)	(243,000)	(250,000)
	814,041	564,960	393,812

# 23 CASH AT BANK AND ON HAND AND OTHER CASH FLOW INFORMATION

## (a) Cash at bank and on hand comprise:

	As at 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Cash at bank and on hand in the consolidated			
statements of financial position	6,874,850	7,265,862	9,128,010
Less: accrued interest arising from deposits	(87,645)	(134,974)	(23,851)
Cash and cash equivalents in the consolidated			
statements of cash flows	6,787,205	7,130,888	9,104,159

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As at 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024, cash at bank and on hand amounted to RMB6,060,859,000, RMB4,335,169,000 and RMB6,415,980,000, respectively, are placed at financial institutions in the Chinese Mainland. Remittance of funds out of the Chinese Mainland is subject to relevant rules and regulations of foreign exchange control.

## (b) Reconciliations of liabilities arising from financing activities

The table below details changes in the Group's liabilities from financing activities, including both cash and non-cash changes. Liabilities arising from financing activities are liabilities for which cash flows were, or future cash flows will be, classified in the Group's consolidated statements of cash flows as cash flows from financing activities.

	Bank loans	Unvested restricted shares repurchase obligation	Lease liabilities	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Note 27)	(Note 25)	(Note 28)	
At 1 January 2022	_	434,320	140,401	574,721
Changes from financing cash flows:				
Capital element of lease rentals				
paid	-	_	(31,353)	(31,353)
paid	_	_	(6,973)	(6,973)
Purchase of forfeited restricted				
shares		(34,472)		(34,472)
Total changes from financing cash				
flows		(34,472)	(38,326)	(72,798)
Other changes:				
Finance costs (Note $6(a)$ )	_	916	6,973	7,889
Net increase in lease liabilities	_	_	15,286	15,286
Dividends in relation to unvested				
restricted shares (Note 31(d)(ii)).	_	(4,849)	_	(4,849)
Restricted shares vested (Note		(105.020)		(105.020)
$31(d)(ii)) \dots \dots \dots$		(105,020)		(105,020)
Total other changes	_	(108,953)	22,259	(86,694)
At 31 December 2022		290,895	124,334	415,229

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	Bank loans	Unvested restricted shares repurchase obligation	Lease liabilities	Total
	RMB'000 (Note 27)	RMB'000 (Note 25)	RMB'000 (Note 28)	RMB'000
At 1 January 2023	-	290,895	124,334	415,229
Capital element of lease rentals	_	_	(42,103)	(42,103)
Interest element of lease rentals paid	_	_	(6,659)	(6,659)
Purchase of forfeited restricted shares		(10,292)	(0,037)	(10,292)
		(10,292)		(10,292)
Total changes from financing cash flows		(10,292)	(48,762)	(59,054)
Other changes:				
Finance costs ( <i>Note</i> 6(a))	_ _	456 -	6,659 34,035	7,115 34,035
restricted shares (Note 31(d)(ii)). Restricted shares vested (Note	-	(1,802)	_	(1,802)
31(d)(ii))	_	(87,250)	_	(87,250)
Total other changes		(88,596)	40,694	(47,902)
At 31 December 2023		192,007	116,266	308,273
	Bank loans	Unvested restricted shares repurchase obligation	Lease liabilities	Total
	RMB'000 (Note 27)	RMB'000 (Note 25)	RMB'000 (Note 28)	RMB'000
At 1 January 2024	-	192,007	116,266	308,273
Proceeds from bank loans	1,269,193	_	_	1,269,193
Repayment of bank loans	(418,699) (9,660)		-	(418,699) (9,660)
Capital element of lease rentals paid	_	_	(44,299)	(44,299)
Interest element of lease rentals paid	_	_	(5,558)	(5,558)
Purchase of forfeited restricted shares	_	(55,529)	_	(55,529)
Total changes from financing cash				
flows	840,834	(55,529)	(49,857)	735,448
Other changes: Finance costs ( <i>Note</i> 6(a)) Additions through acquisition of a	9,633	4,062	5,558	19,253
subsidiary ( <i>Note 33</i> )	47,754 -	_ _	7,180 21,989	54,934 21,989
Restricted shares vested ( <i>Note</i> $31(d)(ii)$ )		(58,400)	_	(58,400)
Total other changes	57,387	(54,338)	34,727	37,776
At 31 December 2024	898,221	82,140	101,136	1,081,497

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## (c) Total cash outflow for leases

Amounts included in the consolidated statements of cash flows for leases comprise the following:

	Years ended 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Within operating cash flows	(3,171)	(3,025)	(3,151)
Within financing cash flows	(38,326)	(48,762)	(49,857)
	(41,497)	(51,787)	(53,008)

## 24 TRADE PAYABLES

## (a) The Group

	As at 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Trade payables due to:			
- third parties	376,730	428,008	620,126
- related parties	102,536	73,836	113,473
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	479,266	501,844	733,599

All of the trade payables are expected to be settled within one year or are repayable on demand.

At 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024, the ageing analyses of trade payables, based on the invoice date, are as follows:

		As at 31 December	
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Within 1 year	475,291	464,941	732,588
After 1 year but within 2 years	804	35,852	66
After 2 years but within 3 years	1,847	585	7
After 3 years	1,324	466	938
	479,266	501,844	733,599

		As at 31 December	
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Trade payables due to:			
- third parties	234,756	131,985	309,118
- related parties	57,653	21,937	91,946
- subsidiaries	982	1,002	4,259
	<u>293,391</u>	<u>154,924</u>	405,323

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## 25 ACCRUALS AND OTHER PAYABLES

## (a) The Group

As at 31 December 2022 2023 2024 RMB'000 RMB'000 RMB'000 234.859 95,498 291,238 Unvested restricted shares repurchase obligation . 290,895 192,007 82,140 Payables for consultancy and technology fees . . . 39,555 70,583 32,272 Consideration payable for an acquisition of a subsidiary (Note 33) . . . . . . . . . . . . . 15,123 40,328 10,833 16,084 Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost . . 576,142 335,861 499,412 Other taxes and levies payables . . . . . . . . . . 23,319 22,484 15,800 598,626 351,661 522,731

All of the accruals and other payables are expected to be settled within one year or are repayable on demand.

#### (b) The Company

		As at 31 December	
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Amounts due to subsidiaries	599,719	500,006	508,751
Staff cost payables	75,397	28,564	90,475
Unvested restricted shares repurchase obligation .	290,895	192,007	82,140
Payables for consultancy and technology fees	11,988	7,462	46,830
Consideration payable for an acquisition			
of a subsidiary (Note 33)	_	_	15,123
Others	2,337	2,333	9,853
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	980,336	730,372	753,172
Other taxes and levies payables	10,872	6,473	10,749
	991,208	736,845	763,921

# 26 CONTRACT LIABILITIES

#### (a) The Group

	As at 31 December	
2022	2023	2024
RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
82,201	85,169	93,161
716	2,922	1,371
82,917	88,091	94,532
	2022 RMB'000 82,201 716	RMB'000 RMB'000  82,201 85,169  716 2,922

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The movements in contract liabilities during the Track Record Period are set out below:

	Year	rs ended 31 December	
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Balance at 1 January	69,159	82,917	88,091
receipts in advance	81,877	87,035	92,865
recognising revenue during the year	(68,119)	(81,861)	(86,424)
Balance at 31 December	82,917	88,091	94,532

Contract liabilities primarily arose from the considerations received from customers before the Group satisfying performance obligations. All of the contract liabilities are expected to be recognised as revenue within one year.

# (b) The Company

		As at 31 December	
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Advances received from customers:			
- third parties	13,295	14,372	23,632
- related parties	641	2,580	311
- subsidiaries	_	88,124	_
	13,936	105,076	23,943

## 27 BANK LOANS

## (a) The Group

		As at 31 December	
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Unguaranteed and unsecured bank loans			
repayable within one year			<u>898,221</u>

		As at 31 December	
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Unguaranteed and unsecured bank loans			
repayable within one year	_	_	719,700

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## 28 LEASE LIABILITIES

## (a) The Group

At the end of each reporting period, the lease liabilities were repayable as follows:

		As at 31 December	
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Within 1 year	34,433	41,876	53,113
After 1 year but within 2 years	34,393 55,508	40,004 34,386	35,038 12,985
	89,901	74,390	48,023
	124,334	116,266	101,136

## (b) The Company

		As at 31 December	
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Within 1 year	20,344	20,014	25,426
After 1 year but within 2 years	19,311 28,389	20,561 8,570	13,630 543
	47,700	29,131	14,173
	68,044	49,145	39,599

# 29 INCOME TAX IN THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

## (a) Taxation in the consolidated statements of financial position represent:

# The Group

	Yea	r ended 31 December	
-	2022	2023	2024
-	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Balance of income tax payable (net of prepaid			
income tax) at 1 January	83,373	(32,920)	(24,668)
Provision for the year ( <i>Note</i> $7(a)$ )	253,303	19,555	43,877
Under/(over)-provision in respect of prior years			
(Note 7(a))	3,072	(2,822)	2,345
Income tax (paid)/refunded	(369,504)	(8,077)	4,769
Credited to reserves	(3,108)	_	_
Additions through acquisition of a subsidiary			
(Note 33)	_	_	1,946
Exchange adjustments	(56)	(404)	28
Balance of income tax payable (net of prepaid			
income tax) at 31 December	(32,920)	(24,668)	28,297
Represented by:			
Income tax payable	1,422	2,703	28,311
Prepaid income tax	(34,342)	(27,371)	(14)
	(32,920)	(24,668)	28,297

(b) Deferred tax assets and liabilities recognised:

# (i) Movements of each component of deferred tax assets and liabilities

The components of deferred tax assets/(liabilities) recognised in the consolidated statements of financial position and the movements during the Track Record Period are as follows:

		Unrealised profits	W.4. 3	5			Fair value adjustments on intangible assets and subsequent amortisation in	-		
Deferred tax arising from:	Unused tax losses	on intra-group transactions	Write-down of inventories	Share-based payment	Lease liabilities	Right-of-use assets	business combinations	Fair value changes of financial assets	Others	Net
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB '000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB '000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB '000	RMB'000
At 1 January 2022	67,973	56,646	10,342	21,724	17,557	(16,263)	(13,962)	(65,605)	14,200	92,612
or loss (Note 7(a))	36,974	29,192	12,249	(15,890)	(778)	1,094	3,413	(2,902)	(16,520)	46,832
Credited to reserves (Note 10)	ı	ı	I	ı	I	I	ı	6,515	I	6,515
Exchange adjustments	10		(£)	13	'		'	'	(43)	(27)
At 31 December 2022 and 1 January 2023	104,957	85,838	22,584	5,847	16,779	(15,169)	(10,549)	(61,992)	(2,363)	145,932
Credited/(charged) to the consolidated statement of profit										
or loss (Note 7(a))	60,728	(45,902)	13,904	(1,978)	(715)	874	2,387	19,474	4,354	53,126
Charged to reserves (Note 10).	ı	I	I	I	I	I	ı	(53,686)	I	(53,686)
Exchange adjustments	(3)	1	5	5	5	1	'	=	=	4
At 31 December 2023 and 1 January 2024	165,682	39,936	36,490	3,871	16,069	(14,295)	(8,162)	(96,205)	1,990	145,376
(Charged)/credited to the consolidated statement of profit										
or loss (Note 7(a))	(37,659)	17,755	(842)	11,718	(3,033)	2,320	2,583	26,007	4,591	23,440
Additions through acquisition of a subsidiary (Note 33) .	I	11	2,605	I	ı	45	(6,694)	ı	146	(3,887)
Charged to reserves (Note 10).	I	ı	I	I	ı	ı	I	(15,640)	I	(15,640)
Exchange adjustments	(23)	'	=	1	'	1	1		(13)	(25)
At 31 December 2024	128,000	57,702	38,264	15,589	13,036	(11,930)	(12,273)	(85,838)	6,714	149,264

#### (ii) Reconciliation to the consolidated statements of financial position

	As at 31 December				
	2022	2023	2024		
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000		
Net deferred tax assets in the consolidated statements of financial position	234,424	269,918	269,055		
statements of financial position	(88,492)	(124,542)	(119,791)		
	145,932	145,376	149,264		

## (c) Deferred tax assets not recognised

In accordance with the accounting policy set out in Note 2(r), the Group has not recognised deferred tax assets in respect of cumulative tax losses of RMB147,794,000, RMB152,839,000 and RMB113,690,000 as at 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024, respectively, as it is not probable that future taxable profits against which the losses can be utilised will be available in the relevant tax jurisdictions and entities. These tax losses will expire in the following years:

	As at 31 December				
•	2022	2023	2024		
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000		
2026	6,622	7,154	6,246		
2027	1,956	1,373	1,373		
2028	_	5,096	4,322		
2029	_	´ _	25,570		
2030	115,286	115,286	47,563		
2031	23,930	23,930	24,355		
Unexpire	_	_	4,261		
	147,794	152,839	113,690		

## 30 EQUITY SETTLED SHARE-BASED TRANSACTIONS

Since 2020, the Group adopted several share-based payment plans pursuant to which the Group would grant share options or restricted shares to eligible directors and other employees of the Group, who contribute directly to the overall business performance and sustainable development of the Group.

#### (a) Share options

#### (i) The terms and conditions of the share options are granted as follows:

-	Number of instruments	Vesting conditions	Contractual life
Share options granted to directors:			
– on 15 May 2024	2,009,300	Include both performance and service period conditions	2-5 years
Share options granted to employees:		•	
– on 15 January 2021	4,656,960*	Include both performance and service period conditions	2-5 years
- on 26 July 2021	3,104,830	Include both performance and service period conditions	2-5 years
– on 21 July 2023	10,743,800	Include both performance and service period conditions	2-5 years
- on 15 May 2024	4,772,100	Include both performance and service period conditions	2-5 years
	25,286,990		

<sup>\*</sup> The number of share options granted have been adjusted for the bonus issue took place in 2021.

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#### (ii) The number and weighted average exercise prices of share options are as follows:

	Years ended 31 December						
	20	22	20	23	2024		
	Weighted average Number of exercise price share options		Weighted average Number of exercise price share options		Weighted average exercise price	Number of share options	
	RMB	'000	RMB	'000	RMB	'000	
Outstanding at the beginning of the	161.78	7,615	160.30	7,379	110.38	16,001	
Granted during the	101.76	7,013		,		,	
year	_	_	86.47	10,744	59.18	6,781	
during the year	173.85	(236)	160.77	(2,122)	119.79	(6,068)	
Outstanding at the end of the year	160.30	7,379	110.38	16,001 ———	86.19	16,714 ———	
Exercisable at the end of the year		1,845		1,747			

No share options were exercised during the years ended 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024.

- At 31 December 2022, the share options outstanding had an exercise price of RMB142.69 or RMB186.90 and a weighted average remaining contractual life of 23 months.
- At 31 December 2023, the share options outstanding had an exercise price of RMB142.07, RMB186.28 or RMB86.47 and a weighted average remaining contractual life of 26 months.
- At 31 December 2024, the share options outstanding had an exercise price of RMB142.07, RMB186.28, RMB86.47 or RMB59.18 and a weighted average remaining contractual life of 23 months.

#### (iii) Fair value of share options and assumptions

The estimate of the fair value of the share options granted is measured based on Black-Scholes -Merton model. Key assumptions used in determining the fair value of share options granted are as follows:

	2023	2024
Fair value of share options and assumptions		
Fair value at measurement date	30.58	27.37
Share price	112.27	83.42
Exercise price	86.47	59.18
Expected volatility	13.15%-16.25%	13.58%-15.30%
Option life	1-4 years	1-4 years
Expected dividends	0.43%-0.64%	0.43%-0.64%
Risk-free interest rate	1.5%-2.75%	1.5%-2.75%

Expected volatility is estimated based on the historic volatility, adjusted for any expected changes to future volatility due to publicly available information.

Expected dividends are estimated based on historical dividends.

Risk-free interest rates are based on the benchmark interest rates for deposits placed at financial institutions set by The People's Bank of the PRC.

The Black-Scholes-Merton model has been used to estimate the fair value of the share options. The variables and assumptions used in computing the fair value of the share options are based on the Company's best estimate. The fair values of share options will vary if different variables and assumptions are adopted.

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Share options were granted under service conditions. These conditions have not been taken into account in the grant date fair value measurement of the services received. There were no market conditions associated with the share option grants.

## (b) Restricted shares

## (i) The terms and conditions of the restricted shares are as follows:

	Number of instruments	Vesting conditions
Restricted shares granted to directors:  – on 15 January 2021	364,000*	Include both performance and service period conditions
Restricted shares granted to employees:		
- on 15 January 2021	3,558,844*	Include both performance and service period conditions
- on 26 July 2021	1,416,942	Include both performance and service period conditions
- on 3 December 2021	258,300	Include both performance and service period conditions
	5,598,086	

<sup>\*</sup> The number of share options granted have been adjusted for the bonus issue took place in 2021.

## (ii) The number and weighted average subscription price of restricted shares are as follows:

	Years ended 31 December							
	202	22	202	23	2024			
	Weighted average subscription price	Number of restricted shares	restricted subscription		Weighted average subscription price	Number of restricted shares		
	RMB	'000	RMB	'000	RMB	'000		
Outstanding at the beginning of the								
year	78.43	5,538	77.67	3,745	77.28	2,484		
(Note 31(d)(ii)) Forfeited during the year (Note	77.75	(1,351)	76.41	(1,142)	71.77	(814)		
$31(d)(ii)) \dots \dots$	75.93	(442)	82.80	(119)	85.91	(599)		
Outstanding at the end of the year	77.67	3,745	77.28	2,484	76.63	1,071		

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# 31 CAPITAL, RESERVES AND DIVIDENDS

## (a) Movements in components of equity

The reconciliations between the opening and closing balances of each component of the Group's consolidated equity are set out in the consolidated statements of changes in equity. Details of the changes in the Company's individual components of equity during the Track Record Period are set out below:

	Note	Share capital	Share premium	Treasury share reserve	Share- based payment reserve	Fair value reserve	Other reserve	Retained earnings	Total
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Balance at 1 January 2022.		667,467	7,760,165	(434,320)	331,578	305,474	333,734	3,478,636	12,442,734
Changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2022:									
Total comprehensive income						(22.0(0)		2 220 101	2 107 122
for the year						(32,068)		2,228,191	2,196,123
Restricted shares vested	30(b)	-	118,069	105,020	(118,069)	-	-	-	105,020
Cancellation of shares Equity settled share-based	31(d)(ii	) (442)	(33,114)	33,556	-	-	-	-	-
payment expenses Dividends in relation to	30	-	-	-	203,181	-	782	-	203,963
unvested restricted shares .  Dividends approved and		-	-	4,849	-	-	-	-	4,849
paid	31(b)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(707,515)	(707,515)
		(442)	84,955	143,425	85,112		782	(707,515)	(393,683)
Balance at 31 December 2022 and 1 January 2023		667,025	7,845,120	(290,895)	416,690	273,406	334,516	4,999,312	14,245,174
Changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2023:									
Total comprehensive income						2.654		104 (25	107.201
for the year						2,654		194,627	197,281
Restricted shares vested	30(b)	_	100,585	87,250	(100,585)	_	-	-	87,250
Cancellation of shares	31(d)(ii		(9,717)	9,836	-	-	-	-	(101.001)
Purchase of own shares Equity settled share-based		-	_	(101,991)	-	_	_	_	(101,991)
payment expenses Dividends in relation to	30	-	-	-	97,138	-	-	-	97,138
unvested restricted shares . Dividends approved and		-	-	1,802	-	-	-	-	1,802
paid	31(b)	-	-		-	-	-	(413,556)	(413,556)
		(119)	90,868	(3,103)	(3,447)			(413,556)	(329,357)
Balance at 31 December									
2023 and 1 January 2024		666,906	7,935,988	(293,998)	413,243	276,060	334,516	4 780 383	14,113,098
avar				(2/3,//0)	713,473				

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	Note	Share capital	Share premium	Treasury share reserve	Share- based payment reserve	Fair value reserve	Other reserve	Retained earnings	Total
	F	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2024:									
Total comprehensive income for the year	-					217,525		329,280	546,805
Restricted shares vested	30(b)	_	66,271	58,400	(66,271)	_	_	_	58,400
Cancellation of shares	31(d)(ii)	(2,782)	(247,532)	250,314	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase of own shares		-	-	(259,564)	-	-	-	-	(259,564)
Equity settled share-based payment expenses	30	-	-	-	158,681	-	-	-	158,681
securities designated at FVOCI		-	-	-	-	(43,624)	-	43,624	-
Share of changes in associates' other reserve		_	_	_	_	_	15,146	-	15,146
	<u>-</u>	(2,782)	(181,261)	49,150	92,410	(43,624)	15,146	43,624	(27,337)
Balance at 31 December 2024		664,124	7,754,727	(244,848)	505,653	449,961	349,662	5,153,287	14,632,566

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#### (b) Dividends

#### (i) Dividends declared and approved during the Track Record Period

	Years ended 31 December				
	2022	2023	2024		
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000		
Final dividends declared and approved after the					
end of the reporting period	707,515	413,556	_		
			=		

Pursuant to the shareholders' approval at the annual general meeting held on 18 May 2022, a final dividend of RMB1.06 per share totalled approximately RMB707,515,000 in respect of the year ended 31 December 2021 was declared. The dividend of RMB707,515,000 was paid on 2 June 2022.

Pursuant to the shareholders' approval at the annual general meeting held on 18 May 2023, a final dividend of RMB0.62 per share totalled RMB413,556,000 for the year ended 31 December 2022 was paid on 23 June 2023.

The directors of the Company did not propose a final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2023 after the end of the reporting period.

Pursuant to the shareholders' approval at the annual general meeting held on 16 May 2025 and a supplementary announcement made on 7 June 2025 regarding the changes in number of ordinary shares from the exercise of share options, a final dividend of RMB0.34 per share totalled approximately RMB225,575,000 for the year ended 31 December 2024 will be distributed. The final dividend proposed after the end of the reporting period has not been recognised as a liability at the end of the reporting period.

#### (c) Share capital

#### Issued share capital

	Year ended 31 December						
	2022	2	2023		2024		
	Number of shares		Number of shares		Number of shares		
	'000	RMB'000	'000	RMB'000	'000	RMB'000	
Ordinary shares, issued and fully paid:							
At 1 January Cancellation of shares .	667,467 (442)	667,467 (442)	667,025 (119)	667,025 (119)	666,906 (2,782)	666,906 (2,782)	
At 31 December	667,025	667,025	666,906	666,906	664,124	664,124	

#### (d) Nature and purpose of reserves

#### (i) Share premium

The share premium represents the differences between the net considerations received and the nominal amount of share capital issued by the Company.

#### (ii) Treasury share reserve

The reserve for the Company's treasury shares comprises the cost of the Company's shares held by the Company and the cost arising from restricted shares repurchase obligation. Such treasury shares may be reissued upon the exercise of share options, or in connection with any other issuance of shares that the board of directors may consider to be in the Company's best interest.

	Number of shares	Repurchase of ordinary shares	Unvested restricted shares repurchase obligation	Total
	'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
			(Note 25(a))	
As at 1 January 2022	5,538	_	434,320	434,320
Restricted shares vested	(1,351)	_	(105,020)	(105,020)
Restricted shares forfeited	_	33,556	(33,556)	_
Cancellation of shares	(442)	(33,556)	_	(33,556)
Dividends in relation to unvested				
restricted shares	_	_	(4,849)	(4,849)
As at 31 December 2022 and 1		<del></del>		
January 2023	3,745	_	290,895	290,895
Additions	1,026	101,991	_	101,991
Restricted shares vested	(1,142)	_	(87,250)	(87,250)
Restricted shares forfeited	_	9,836	(9,836)	_
Cancellation of shares	(119)	(9,836)	_	(9,836)
Dividends in relation to unvested				
restricted shares	_	_	(1,802)	(1,802)
As at 31 December 2023 and 1				
January 2024	3,510	101,991	192,007	293,998
Additions	3,127	259,564	-	259,564
Restricted shares vested	(814)		(58,400)	(58,400)
Restricted shares forfeited	_	51,467	(51,467)	_
Cancellation of shares	(2,782)	(250,314)	_	(250,314)
As 31 December 2024	3,041	162,708	82,140	244,848

#### (iii) Share-based payment reserve

Share-based payment reserve represents grant date fair value of share options and restricted shares granted to directors of the Company and employees of the Group that has been recognised in accordance with the accounting policy adopted for share-based payments in Note 2(q)(ii).

#### (iv) Exchange reserve

Exchange reserve comprises all foreign exchange differences arising from the translation of the financial statements of operations that have a functional currency other than RMB and which are dealt with in accordance with the accounting policies as set out in Note 2(t).

#### (v) Fair value reserve

The fair value reserve comprises the cumulative net change in the fair value of equity investments designated at FVOCI that are held at the end of each reporting period (see Note 2(f)).

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## (vi) Other reserve

Other reserve mainly represents:

- PRC statutory reserve: the Company in the Chinese Mainland is required to appropriate 10% of its after-tax profit to the general reserve fund as determined until the cumulative amounts reach 50% of the registered capital in accordance with the laws and regulations in the Chinese Mainland. The transfer to this reserve must be made before distribution of a dividend to equity shareholders. This reserve fund can be utilised in setting off accumulated losses or increasing capital of the Company and is non-distributable other than in liquidation; and
- the proportionate share of changes in net assets of associates.

#### (e) Capital management

The Group's primary objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, so that it can continue to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders, by pricing products and services commensurately with the level of risk and by securing access to finance at a reasonable cost.

The Group actively and regularly reviews and manages its capital structure to maintain a balance between the higher shareholder returns that might be possible with higher levels of borrowings and the advantages and security afforded by a sound capital position, and makes adjustments to the capital structure in light of changes in economic conditions.

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries are subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

#### 32 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Exposure to credit, liquidity, interest rate and currency risks arises in the normal course of the Group's business.

The Group's exposure to these risks and the financial risk management policies and practices used by the Group to manage these risks are described below.

#### (a) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in a financial loss to the Group. The Group's credit risk is primarily attributable to trade and other receivables. Management has a credit policy in place and the exposures to these credit risks are monitored on an ongoing basis. The Group's exposure to credit risk arising from cash at bank and on hand and bills receivables is limited because the counterparties are banks and financial institutions with high credit standing, for which the Group considers having low credit risk.

The Group does not provide any guarantees which would expose the Group to credit risk.

In respect of trade and other receivables, individual credit evaluations are performed on all customers and debtors requiring credit over a certain amount. These evaluations focus on the customer's and debtor's past history of making payments when due and current ability to pay, and take into account information specific to the customer and debtor as well as pertaining to the economic environment in which the customer and debtor operates. The Group typically requires payments in advance from customers before delivery of goods. The Group may grant certain distributors and large customers with credit terms range from seven days to three months, depending on the results of the Group's credit assessment on these customers.

The Group's exposure to credit risk is influenced mainly by the individual characteristics of each customer rather than the industry in which the customers operate and therefore significant concentrations of credit risk primarily arise when the Group has significant exposure to individual customers. As 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024, 67%, 73% and 42%, of the total trade receivables were due from the Group's five largest debtors respectively.

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The Group measures loss allowances for trade receivables at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs, which is calculated using a provision matrix. As the Group's historical credit loss experience does not indicate significantly different loss patterns for different customer segments or geographic regions, the loss allowance based on past due status is not further distinguished between the Group's different customer or geographic bases.

The following tables provide information about the Group's exposure to credit risk and ECLs for trade receivables for the years ended 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024:

	Year ended 31 December 2022				
	Expected loss rate	Gross carrying amount	Loss allowance		
	%	RMB'000	RMB'000		
Within 3 months	_	134,502	_		
3-12 months	5.00	8,020	401		
Over 1 year	100.00	103	103		
		142,625	504		
	Yea	r ended 31 December 20	)23		
	Expected loss rate	Gross carrying amount	Loss allowance		
	%	RMB'000	RMB'000		
Within 3 months	-	<u>114,147</u>	- =		
	Yea	024			
	Expected loss rate	Gross carrying amount	Loss allowance		
	%	RMB'000	RMB'000		
Within 3 months	0.25	211,764	543		
3-12 months	5.00	837	42		
		212,601	585		

Expected loss rates are based on actual loss experience over the past three years. These rates are adjusted to reflect differences between economic conditions during the period over which the historical data has been collected, current conditions and the Group's view of economic conditions over the expected lives of the receivables.

Movements in the loss allowance account in respect of trade and other receivables during the years ended 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024 are as follows:

	Years ended 31 December				
	2022	2023	2024		
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000		
Balance at 1 January	2,059	2,802	3,518		
Credit loss allowance recognised	743	820	3,667		
Credit loss allowance written off	_	(104)	_		
Additions through acquisition of a subsidiary	_	_	1,486		
Balance at 31 December	2,802	3,518	8,671		

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## (b) Liquidity risk

The Group's policy is to regularly monitor its liquidity requirements and its compliance with lending covenants and its relationship with finance providers, to ensure that it maintains sufficient reserves of cash and adequate committed lines of funding from major financial institutions to meet its liquidity requirements in the short and longer term.

The following tables show the remaining contractual maturities at 31 December 2022, 2023, and 2024 of the Group's financial liabilities, which are based on contractual undiscounted cash flows (including interest payments computed using contractual rates or, if floating, based on rates current at the end of each reporting period) and the earliest dates the Group can be required to pay:

As	at	31	December	2022

		Contractual undiscounted cash outflow				
	Within 1 year or on demand	More than 1 year but less than 2 years	More than 2 years but less than 5 years	Total	Carrying amount	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Trade payables	479,266	-	-	479,266	479,266	
amortised cost	576,142	_	_	576,142	576,142	
Lease liabilities	39,914	38,563	58,323	136,800	124,334	
	1,095,322	38,563	58,323	1,192,208	1,179,742	

As at 31 December 2023

		Contractual undiscounted cash outflow				
	Within 1 year or on demand	More than 1 year but less than 2 years	More than 2 years but less than 5 years	Total	Carrying amount	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Trade payables	501,844	-	-	501,844	501,844	
amortised cost	335,861	_	_	335,861	335,861	
Lease liabilities	47,072	43,008	35,853	125,933	116,266	
	884,777	43,008	35,853	963,638	953,971	

As at 31 December 2024

		Contractual undiscounted cash outflow				
	Within 1 year or on demand			Total	Carrying amount	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Trade payables	733,599	-	-	733,599	733,599	
amortised cost	499,412	_	_	499,412	499,412	
Bank loans	909,366	_	_	909,366	898,221	
Lease liabilities	56,927	36,485	13,393	106,805	101,136	
	2,199,304	36,485	13,393	2,249,182	2,232,368	

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#### (c) 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 primarily from bank loans. Instruments bearing interest at variable rates and fixed rates expose the Group to cashflow interest rate risk and fair value interest rate risk respectively. The Group regularly reviews its strategy on interest rate risk management in the light of the prevailing market condition. The Group's interest rate risk profile as monitored by management is set out below

#### (i) Interest rate risk profile

The following tables detail the interest rate risk profile of the Group's borrowings at the end of each reporting period:

	As at 31 December				
	2022	2023	2024		
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000		
Fixed rate borrowings:					
Lease liabilities	124,334	116,266	101,136		
Bank loans	_	_	207,703		
Variable rate borrowings:					
Bank loans	=	_	690,518		
Total borrowings	124,334	116,266	999,357		

#### (ii) Sensitivity analyses

At 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024, it is estimated that a general increase/decrease of 100 basis points in interest rates, with all other variables held constant, would have decreased/increased the Group's profits after tax and decreased/increased the Group's retained earnings by approximately RMBNil, RMBNil and RMB6,140,000, respectively.

The sensitivity analyses above indicate the exposure to cash flow interest rate risk arising from floating rate non-derivative financial instruments held by the Group at the end of each reporting period. The impact on the Group's results after tax and retained earnings is estimated as an annualised impact on interest expense of such a change in interest rates. The analyses are performed on the same basis for the Track Record Period.

#### (d) Currency risk

The Group is exposed to currency risk primarily through sales and purchases which give rise to receivables, payables and cash balances that are denominated in a foreign currency, i.e. a currency other than the functional currency of the operations to which the transactions relate. The currency giving rise to this risk is primarily United States Dollars ("USD"). The Group ensures that the net exposure is kept to an acceptable level, by buying or selling foreign currencies at spot rates where necessary to address short-term imbalances.

#### (i) Exposure to currency risk

The following tables detail the Group's primary exposure at the end of each reporting period to currency risk arising from recognised assets or liabilities denominated in a currency other than the functional currency of the entity to which they relate. For presentation purposes, the amounts of the exposure are shown in RMB, translated using the spot rates at the year-end date. Differences resulting from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations into the Group's presentation currency are excluded.

	Exposure to foreign currency USD as at 31 December			
	2022	2023	2024	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Trade and bills receivables	754,926	2,443,531	2,281,877	
Cash at bank	885,218	1,023,815	4,214,168	
Trade payables	(39,991)	(2,535)	(29,453)	
Accruals and other payables	(35,146)	(39,879)	(35,861)	
Net exposure arising from recognised assets and				
liabilities	1,565,007	3,424,932	6,430,731	

#### (ii) Sensitivity analyses

The following tables indicate the instantaneous change in the Group's profit after tax (and retained earnings) and other components of consolidated equity that would arise if foreign exchange rates to which the Group has significant exposure at the end of each reporting period had changed at that dates, assuming all other risk variables remained constant.

	2022		2023		2024	
	Increase/ (decrease) in foreign exchange rates	Increase/ (decrease) in profit after tax and retained earnings	Increase/ (decrease) in foreign exchange rates	Increase/ (decrease) in profit after tax and retained earnings	Increase/ (decrease) in foreign exchange rates	Increase/ (decrease) in profit after tax and retained earnings
		RMB'000		RMB'000		RMB'000
USD	1%	14,403	1%	30,991	1%	57,132
	(1%)	(14,403)	(1%)	(30,991)	(1%)	(57,132)

The sensitivity analyses assume that the change in foreign exchange rates had been applied to re-measure those financial instruments held by the Group which expose the Group to foreign currency risk at the end of the reporting period, including inter-company payables and receivables within the Group which are denominated in a currency other than the functional currencies of the lender or the borrower. The analyses exclude differences that would result from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations into the Group's presentation currency. The analyses are performed on the same basis for the Track Record Period.

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#### (e) Fair value measurement

## (i) Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value

Fair value hierarchy

The following tables present the fair value of the Group's financial instruments measured at the end of each reporting period on a recurring basis, categorised into the three-level fair value hierarchy as defined in IFRS 13, *Fair value measurement*. The level into which a fair value measurement is classified is determined with reference to the observability and significance of the inputs used in the valuation technique as follows:

- Level 1 valuations: Fair value measured using only Level 1 inputs, i.e. unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the measurement date.
- Level 2 valuations: Fair value measured using Level 2 inputs, i.e. observable inputs which fail
  to meet Level 1, and not using significant unobservable inputs.
  Unobservable inputs are inputs for which market data are not available.
- Level 3 valuations: Fair value measured using significant unobservable inputs.

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Fair value at 31 December			
2022	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
1,533,025	18,351	_	1,514,674
80,000	_	_	80,000
1,857,548	<u> </u>	=	1,857,548
Fair value at 31 December			
2023	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
1,744,389	291,365	_	1,453,024
145,612	_	_	145,612
1,805,558		_ =	1,805,558
Fair value at 31 December	Fair value measurements as at 31 December 2024 categorised into		
2024	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
3,365,869	195,297	-	3,170,572
210,894	_	_	210,894
120,000		_ =	120,000
	2022  RMB'000  1,533,025  80,000 1,857,548  Fair value at 31 December  2023  RMB'000  1,744,389  145,612 1,805,558  Fair value at 31 December  2024  RMB'000  3,365,869  210,894	31 December   31 December   2022   Level 1	31 December   2022 categorised

The Group's policy is to recognise transfers between levels of fair value hierarchy as at the end of each reporting period in which they occur.

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The movements during the Track Record Period in the balance of the Level 3 fair value measurements of equity securities designated at FVOCI are as follows:

	Years ended 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Equity securities designated at FVOCI			
At 1 January	1,500,585	1,514,674	1,453,024
Additions	80,000	78,332	1,529,668
Decreases	(700)	(46,216)	(3,044)
Net unrealised gains or losses recognised			
in OCI	(15,800)	(33,884)	190,818
Transfer into Level 1 upon listing of the			
equity instruments	(50,000)	(60,000)	_
Exchange adjustments	589	118	106
At 31 December	1,514,674	1,453,024	3,170,572

Apart from the above, there were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2, or transfers into or out of Level 3 during the Track Record Period.

Information about Level 3 fair value measurements

Below is a summary of significant unobservable inputs to the valuation of these financial assets together with information about the sensitivity of the fair value measurement to changes in unobservable inputs at 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024:

	Valuation techniques	Significant unobservable inputs
Wealth management products	Discounted cash flow method	Interest return rate
Equity securities designated at FVOCI and equity securities measured at FVPL	Market approach or income approach	Annual revenue growth rates, gross profit margin, pre-tax discount rates, and/or market comprison multiples

#### (ii) Fair value of financial assets and liabilities carried at other than fair value

The carrying amounts of the Group's financial instruments carried at amortised cost are not materially different from their fair values as at 31 December 2022, 2023 and 2024.

#### 33 ACQUISITION OF A SUBSIDIARY

#### Acquisition of XySemi

On 18 October 2024, the Group, together with Hefei Stony Creek GigaDevice Chuangzhi Venture Capital Fund Partnership (Limited Partnership) (合肥石溪兆易創智創業投資基金合夥企業(有限合夥))\* (hereinafter referred to as "Shixi Capital"), Hefei State-owned Capital Venture Capital Co., Ltd. (合肥國有資本創業投資有限公司)\* (hereinafter referred to as "Hefei State Owned Capital"), Hefei Guozheng Duoze Industrial Investment Partnership (Limited Partnership) (合肥國正多澤產業投資合夥企業(有限合夥))\* (hereinafter referred to as "Hefei Industrial Investment"), entered into a share transfer agreement with the original shareholders of XySemi to acquire 70% of the equity interests of XySemi in cash. Shixi Capital is an associate of the Group. The total consideration of this acquisition was RMB581,000,000, among which the acquisition of 38.07% equity interests of XySemi by the Group amounted to RMB316,000,000. As at 31 December 2024, the acquisition consideration amounting to RMB15,123,000 is yet to be paid by the Group.

As a result from Shixi Capital entrusted its voting rights to the Group, and Hefei State Owned Investment and Hefei Industrial Investment entered into a concerted action agreement with the Group, the Group dictates 70% of the voting rights in XySemi, and thus has control over XySemi. Upon completion of the acquisition in December 2024, the Group controls 38.07% of the equity interests in XySemi.

\* These entities' official names are in Chinese. The English translations of these entities' names are for identification only.

The identifiable assets and liabilities arising from the acquisition of XySemi are as follows:

	On acquisition date
	RMB'000
Property, plant and equipment (Note 12(a))	15,738
Right-of-use assets (Note 13(a))	6,729
Intangible assets (Note 14(a))	43,712
Deferred tax assets (Note 29(b))	2,807
Other non-current assets	184
Inventories	87,982
Trade and bills receivables	57,095
Prepayments and other current assets	255,132
Cash at bank and on hand	59,857
Trade payables	(27,835)
Accruals and other payables	(150,180)
Contract liabilities	(1,550)
Bank loans	(47,754)
Lease liabilities	(7,180)
Income tax payable (Note 29(a))	(1,946)
Deferred tax liabilities (Note 29(b))	(6,694)
Total identifiable net assets	286,097
Less: non-controlling interests	(177,180)
Add: Goodwill (Note 15)	207,083
Total consideration for the identifiable net assets acquired	316,000
Less: cash and cash equivalents acquired	(59,857)
(Note 25)	(15,123)
Net cash outflow arising from the acquisition of XySemi	241,020

#### 34 COMMITMENTS

Commitments outstanding at each reporting period end of the Track Record Period not provided for in the financial Historical Financial Information were as follows:

	As at 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Contracted for capital injections into equity			
securities measured at FVPL	615,000	485,400	635,400

The Group has entered into various investment agreements to invest in certain private equity funds in future periods.

#### 35 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

#### (a) Key management personnel remuneration

Remuneration for key management personnel of the Group, including amounts paid to the Company's directors as disclosed in Note 8 and certain of the highest paid employees as disclosed in Note 9, is as follows:

	As at 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Salaries, wages and other benefits	29,980	13,932	24,284
schemes	323	451	469
Share-based payments	12,164	12,047	25,694
	42,467	26,430	50,447

Total remuneration is included in "staff costs" (see Note 6(b)).

#### (b) Related parties and their relationship with the Group

Name of related parties	Relationship with the Group	
Deep Simplicity Technology Co., Ltd.	An associate	
Hefei Reliance Memory Limited	An associate	
Transcputing Tech Co., Ltd	An associate	
CXMT Corporation (長鑫科技集團股份有限公司)*	Note i	
CXMT Memory Technologies, Inc (長鑫存儲技術有限公司)*	Note i	
and its subsidiaries		
Unisoc (Shanghai) Technologies Co., Ltd. (紫光展鋭(上海)科技有限公司)*	Note ii	
and its subsidiaries		
Telink Semiconductor (Shanghai) Co., Ltd. (泰湊微電子(上海)股份有限公	Note ii	
司)* and its subsidiaries		

#### Notes:

- i. During the Track Record Period, Mr. Zhu Yiming, the Chairman of the Company, currently serves as the Chairman of CXMT Corporation, the parent company of CXMT Memory Technologies, Inc..
- During the Track Record Period, Mr. Zhang Shuai, a former director of the Company, served as a director of Unisoc (Shanghai) Technologies Co., Ltd. and Telink Semiconductor (Shanghai) Co., Ltd..
- \* These entities' official names are in Chinese. The English translations of these entities' names are for identification only.

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#### (c) Transactions with related parties

The Group entered into the following related party transactions during the Track Record Period:

	As at 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Sales of goods	181,612	120,644	16,059
Purchases of materials	887,432	767,402	1,025,458

The above related party transactions will continue after the proposed H shares [REDACTED] of the Company, but they do not constitute connected transactions under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

In April 2024, the Company made additional investments amounted to RMB1,500,000,000 in CXMT Corporation. Upon completion of the investments, the Company holds 1.88% of equity interests in CXMT Corporation.

#### (d) Balances with related parties as at the end of each reporting period

	As at 31 December		
	2022	2023	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Trade in nature:			
Trade payables	102,536	73,836	113,473
Contract liabilities	<u>716</u>	<u>2,922</u>	

#### 36 NON-ADJUSTING EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

Pursuant to the shareholders' approval at the annual general meeting held on 16 May 2025 and a supplementary announcement made on 7 June 2025 regarding the changes in number of ordinary shares arising from the exercise of share options, a final dividend of RMB0.34 per share totalled approximately RMB225,575,000 for the year ended 31 December 2024 will be distributed.

### 37 IMMEDIATE AND ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

At the end of each reporting period, the directors of the Company consider the immediate and ultimate controlling party of the Company to be Mr. Zhu Yiming.

# 38 POSSIBLE IMPACT OF AMENDMENTS, NEW STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Up to the date of issue of the Historical Financial Information, the IASB has issued a number of new or amended standards, which are not yet effective for the year ended 31 December 2024 and which have not been adopted in the Historical Financial Information. These developments include the following:

	Effective for accounting periods beginning on or after
Amendments to IAS 21, The effects of changes in foreign exchange rates — Lack of	1 January 2025
exchangeability	1.1. 2026
Amendments to IFRS 9, Financial instruments and IFRS 7, Financial instruments:  disclosures — Contracts referencing nature-dependent electricity	1 January 2026
Amendments to IFRS 9, Financial instruments and IFRS 7, Financial instruments: disclosures — Amendments to the classification and measurement of financial	1 January 2026
instruments	1.1. 2026
Annual improvements to IFRS Accounting Standards — Volume 11	1 January 2026 1 January 2027

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	Effective for accounting periods beginning on or after
IFRS 19, Subsidiaries without public accountability: disclosures	1 January 2027
Amendments to IFRS 10, Consolidated financial statements and IAS 28, Investments	To be determined
in associates and joint ventures — Sale or contribution of assets between an	
investor and its associate or joint venture	

The Group is in the process of making an assessment of what the impact of these developments is expected to be in the period of initial application. So far it has concluded that the adoption of them is unlikely to have a significant impact on the Historical Financial Information.

### Subsequent financial statements

No audited financial statements have been prepared by the Company and its subsidiaries in respect of any period subsequent to 31 December 2024.

# APPENDIX II UNAUDITED [REDACTED] FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The primary purpose of this Appendix is to provide potential investors with an overview of the Company's articles of association. As the information contained in this section is only a summary, it may not contain all the information that is important to potential investors.

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

The Company is a joint stock limited company of perpetual duration.

All of the capital of the Company shall be divided into shares of equal value. The shareholders shall be liable to the extent of the shares subscribed and the Company shall be liable for its debts to the extent of all of its assets.

The Articles of Association shall be a legally binding document that regulates the Company's organization and activities, the rights and obligations between the Company and its shareholders as well as among the shareholders, and a legally binding document for the Company, shareholders, directors and senior management members from the date on which it takes effect. Pursuant to the Articles of Association, shareholders may take legal action against other shareholders, directors, general manager, other senior management members of the Company and the Company, and the Company may take legal action against its shareholders, directors, general manager and other senior management members.

#### **BUSINESS SCOPE**

The business scope of the Company includes: research and development of microelectronic products, computer hardware and software, computer systems integration, telecommunications equipment, handheld mobile terminals; commissioned processing and production, sales of self-developed products; technology transfer, technical services; import and export of commodities and technology and acting as import and export agency. (The market entity shall select business items and carry out operating activities at its own discretion in accordance with the laws; items subject to approval in accordance with the laws, operating activities can only be conducted upon approval by relevant authorities and to the extent authorized by such approval; it is not allowed to engage in operating activities prohibited or restricted by industrial policies of the State and the municipality.)

#### **SHARES**

#### **Issuance of Shares**

The issuance of the shares of the Company shall be conducted in the principle of openness, fairness and impartiality, and each share of the same class is entitled to equal rights. For shares of the same class issued at the same time, the issuance conditions and price per share shall be identical; and the price paid by the subscribers for each share is the same.

#### Increase, Decrease and Repurchase of Shares

The Company may, based on its operating and development needs and in accordance with the laws and regulations and the resolution of any general meeting, increase its capital by the following methods:

- (i) an issue of shares to unspecified persons;
- (ii) an issue of shares to specified persons;
- (iii) offering of bonus shares to existing shareholders;
- (iv) the conversion of provident funds into share capital;
- (v) any other methods stipulated by laws and administrative regulations and approved by the CSRC and the securities regulatory authorities in the place where the shares of the Company are listed.

The Company may reduce its registered capital. The reduction of registered capital of the Company shall be made in accordance with the Company Law, other relevant regulations as well as procedures stipulated in the Articles of Association.

The Company shall not repurchase its own shares, except under any of the following circumstances:

- (i) to reduce the registered capital of the Company;
- (ii) to merge with other companies holding the Company's shares;
- (iii) to use the shares for the employee share schemes or as equity incentives;
- (iv) to acquire the shares of shareholders (upon their request) who vote against any resolution adopted at general meetings on the merger or division of the Company;
- (v) to utilize shares to satisfy the conversion of corporate bonds that are convertible into shares issued by the Company;
- (vi) to safeguard corporate values and shareholders' equity as the Company deems necessary.

Where the Company repurchases its shares, it shall be conducted through public and centralized trading or other methods recognized by laws, administrative regulations, the CSRC and the securities regulatory authorities in the place where the shares of the Company are listed.

Where the Company intends to repurchase its shares under the circumstances set out in (iii), (v) or (vi) above, the repurchase shall be conducted through public and centralized trading.

If the Company intends to repurchase its shares for reasons set out in (i) and (ii) above, it shall be approved by a resolution at a general meeting. If the Company intends to repurchase its shares for reasons set out in (iii), (v) and (vi) above, a board resolution shall be passed by more than two-thirds of the directors attending the board meeting.

After the Company has repurchased its shares in accordance with the provisions above, the shares repurchased under the circumstance set out in (i) above shall be canceled within 10 days from the date of repurchase, the shares repurchased under the circumstances set out in (ii) and (iv) above shall be transferred or canceled within six months, and for the shares repurchased under the circumstances set out in (iii), (v) and (vi) above, the total number of the Company's shares held by the Company shall not exceed 10% of the total issued shares of the Company, and the shares so acquired shall be transferred or canceled within three years. Where it is otherwise provided in the laws, regulations and the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed in respect of matters relating to share repurchases, such provisions shall prevail.

#### SHARE TRANSFER

The shares of the Company shall be transferred according to law. The Company shall not accept any of its own shares as the subject of pledge.

The shares issued prior to the public issuance of shares by the Company shall not be transferred within one year of the date on which the shares of the Company are listed and traded on a stock exchange.

The directors and senior management members of the Company shall report to the Company their shareholdings in the Company and changes therein. During their terms of office as determined upon appointment, directors and senior management members of the Company shall not transfer annually during their terms of office more than 25% of the total number of shares of the Company which they hold; the shares of the Company held by them shall not be transferred within one (1) year from the date on which the shares of the Company are listed and traded. The aforesaid persons shall not transfer the shares of the Company held by them within six months from the date of their departure from the Company.

When any shareholder, holding more than 5% of the Company's shares, of the Company or any director, senior management of the Company disposes of his/her/its shares or other securities with an equity nature in the Company within six months of purchase, or purchases shares in the Company again within six months after disposal, the proceeds derived therefrom shall be retained for the benefit of the Company and be revoked by the Board of Directors of the Company. However, the disposals by brokerage companies holding more than 5% of the shares in the Company due to the fact that their underwritten shares remain unsubscribed and

other circumstances stipulated by the CSRC shall not be subject to the restriction. Where it is otherwise provided in the laws, regulations and the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed, such provisions shall prevail.

The shares or other securities with an equity nature held by any director, senior management and natural person shareholder referred to in the preceding paragraph shall include the shares or other securities with an equity nature held by their spouses, parents and children, and those held through others' accounts.

If the Board of Directors of the Company fails to comply with the aforesaid provisions, the shareholders shall have the rights to request the Board of Directors to implement the related provisions within 30 days. If the Board of Directors of the Company fails to implement the requirements within the specified time, the shareholders may directly institute a lawsuit in the People's Court in their own name for the benefit of the Company. If the Board of Directors of the Company fails to act in accordance with the aforesaid provisions, the responsible directors shall be jointly and severally liable in accordance with the law.

#### SHAREHOLDERS AND GENERAL MEETING

#### General Provisions on Shareholders

The Company shall establish a register of shareholders in accordance with the certificates issued by the share registrar and clearing house. The register of members shall be sufficient evidence of the holding of shares in the Company by the shareholders. Shareholders shall enjoy rights and assume obligations in accordance with the category of shares they hold; shareholders holding the same category of shares shall enjoy equal rights and assume equal obligations.

When the Company convenes a general meeting, distributes dividends, commences liquidation or engages in other acts requiring the confirmation of shareholding, the Board of Directors or the convener of a general meeting shall decide the date of record. The shareholders whose names appear on the register of members at the close of trading on the date of record are entitled to the relevant rights of shareholders.

The shareholders of the Company shall be entitled to the following rights:

- (i) to be entitled to dividends and other forms of distribution in proportion to the number of shares held;
- (ii) the right to propose, hold, convene and preside over, to attend or appoint a proxy to attend general meetings and to speak and exercise the corresponding voting rights in accordance with the laws;
- (iii) to supervise and manage the business activities of the Company and to put forward proposals or raise inquiries;

- (iv) to transfer, donate, or pledge shares held by them in accordance with the laws, administrative regulations and provisions of the Articles of Association;
- (v) to review and copy the Articles of Association, the register of members, minutes of general meeting, resolutions of the Board of Directors and financial and accounting reports, and to review the Company's accounting books and accounting documents (for shareholders who meet the requirements);
- (vi) upon termination or liquidation of the Company, to participate in the distribution of the remaining assets of the Company in accordance with the number of shares held;
- (vii) with respect to shareholders who vote against any resolution adopted at the general meeting on the merger or division of the Company, to require the Company to acquire the shares held by them;
- (viii) other rights conferred by laws, administrative regulations, departmental rules, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed or the Articles of Association.

If any resolution of the general meeting or the Board of Directors violates the laws or administrative regulations, the shareholders shall have the right to submit to the People's Court to nullify such resolution. If the convening procedures or voting methods for the general meeting or the board meeting violate the laws, administrative regulations or the Articles of Association, or any content of the resolution thereof violates the Articles of Association, the shareholders shall have the right to submit to the People's Court within 60 days after such a resolution is made to revoke it. However, this does not apply if such procedures for convening the general meeting and the board meeting, or the voting thereat, have only minor flaws that have no substantial impact on the resolution.

Where the directors and senior management personnel (other than members of the Audit Committee) violate laws, administrative regulations or the provisions in the Articles of Association in time of performing their duty hereof and has caused damage to the Company, the shareholder who holds more than one percent of the shares separately or aggregately in a continuous 180 days can submit a written request to the Audit Committee to institute litigation at a People's Court. Where members of the Audit Committee violate laws, administrative regulations or the provisions in the Articles of Association in time of performing their duty hereof and has caused damage to the Company, the aforementioned shareholders can submit a written request to the Board of Directors to institute litigation at a People's Court.

On the conditions that the Audit Committee or the Board of Directors refuse to prosecute an action after receiving the written request in the former Article, or do not take an action within 30 days, or if urgent situation, without an immediate proceedings the Company interests will be irreparably damaged, the shareholders in the former Article shall have the right to sue to the People's Court in their own name.

Where others infringe the Company's legitimate rights and interests and have caused damages to the Company, the shareholder who holds more than one percent of the shares separately or aggregately in a continuous 180 days can sue to the People's Court in accordance with the aforesaid provisions.

Shareholders of the Company shall assume the following obligations:

- (i) Complying with the laws, administrative regulations, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association;
- (ii) Paying subscription moneys for the shares subscribed in accordance with the agreed manner of payment;
- (iii) No withdrawal of their share capital contribution except for the circumstances set out in the laws, administrative regulations and the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed;
- (iv) No abuse of shareholder's rights to damage the interests of the Company or other shareholders; no abuse of the independent legal person status of the Company and the limited liability of shareholders to damage the interests of the creditors of the Company;
- (v) Other obligations that should be assumed under laws, administrative regulations, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association.

If any shareholder of the Company abuses the shareholder's rights and causes loss to the Company or other shareholders, he/she shall be liable for the compensation. If any shareholder of the Company abuses the independent legal person status of the Company and the limited liability of shareholders to evade debts and severely damage the interests of the creditors of the Company, he/she shall bear joint liability for the debts of the Company.

### Controlling Shareholders and De facto Controllers

The controlling shareholders and de facto controllers of the Company shall exercise their rights and fulfil their obligations in accordance with the laws, administrative regulations, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed, the provisions of the CSRC and the stock exchange, and safeguard the interests of the listed company.

Controlling shareholders and de facto controllers of the Company shall comply with the following provisions:

- to exercise their rights as shareholders in accordance with the law and not abuse their control or use their affiliation to prejudice the legitimate interests of the Company or other shareholders;
- (ii) to strictly fulfil the public statements and undertakings made, without unilateral alteration or waiver;
- (iii) to fulfil information disclosure obligations in strict accordance with the relevant regulations, to proactively cooperate with the Company in information disclosure and to inform the Company in a timely manner of material events that have occurred or are proposed to occur;
- (iv) not to appropriate the Company's funds in any way;
- (v) not to order, instruct or request the Company and relevant personnel to provide guarantees in violation of laws and regulations;
- (vi) not to make use of the Company's undisclosed material information for personal gain, not to disclose in any way undisclosed material information relating to the Company, and not to engage in insider trading, short-swing trading, market manipulation and other illegal and unlawful acts;
- (vii) not to prejudice the legitimate rights and interests of the Company and other shareholders through unfair related-party transactions, profit distribution, asset restructuring, foreign investment or any other means;
- (viii) to ensure the integrity of the Company's assets, and the independence of personnel, finance, organisation and business, and not to affect the independence of the Company in any way;
- (ix) other provisions of laws, administrative regulations, provisions of the CSRC, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association.

Where a controlling shareholder or de facto controller of the Company does not act as a director of the Company but actually carries out the affairs of the Company, the provisions of the Articles of Association relating to the duties of loyalty and diligence of directors shall apply. Where a controlling shareholder or de facto controller of the Company instructs a director or a member of the senior management to engage in an act that is detrimental to the interests of the Company or the shareholders, he/she shall be jointly and severally liable with

such director or member of the senior management. If controlling shareholders or de facto controllers pledge the shares of the Company held by them or under their effective control, they should maintain the stability of the Company's control and production and operation.

If controlling shareholders or de facto controllers transfer the shares of the Company held by them, they shall comply with the restrictive provisions on the transfer of shares set out in the laws, administrative regulations, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed, the regulations of the CSRC and the stock exchanges and their undertakings in relation to the restriction on the transfer of shares.

### **General Provisions of General Meeting**

The general meeting of the Company comprises all shareholders. The general meeting shall be the organ of authority of the Company and shall exercise the following functions and powers in accordance with the law (such powers shall not be delegated to the Board of Directors or to any other body or person):

- (i) to elect and replace directors and to decide on matters relating to the remuneration of directors;
- (ii) to consider and approve reports of the Board of Directors;
- (iii) to consider and approve the profit distribution plans and loss recovery plans of the Company;
- (iv) to resolve on the increase or reduction of the registered capital of the Company;
- (v) to resolve on the issuance of bonds by the Company;
- (vi) to resolve on the merger, demerger, dissolution, liquidation or change of form of the Company;
- (vii) to amend the Articles of Association:
- (viii) to resolve on the appointment, dismissal of the accounting firm engaged in the audit work of the Company and to determine its remuneration;
- (ix) to review and approve the guarantee matters as stipulated in the Articles of Association;
- (x) to consider acquisitions and disposals of material assets in a year exceeding 30% of the Company's latest total audited assets;

- (xi) to consider the related parties transactions between the Company and the related party, in amount of more than RMB30 million, occupying more than 5% of the audited absolute value on net asset of the Company in the latest period;
- (xii) when a transaction of the Company (excluding financial assistance, and provision of guarantee and other transactions of the Company without involving any payment of consideration or attaching any obligations such as receiving monetary assets as gift and waiver of debts) meets one of the following criteria (if the data involved in the below index calculation is negative, the absolute value of the data shall be taken), it shall be submitted to the general meeting for consideration:
  - a) the total amount of assets involved in the transaction (if the assets involved have both book value and valuation, whichever is higher) accounts for over 50% of the latest audited total assets of the listed company;
  - b) the net assets involved in the subject matter (such as equity) of the transaction (if the assets involved have both book value and valuation, whichever is higher) accounts for over 50% of the latest audited net assets of the company, and the absolute amount exceeds RMB50 million;
  - the transaction value (including liabilities and expenses incurred) accounts for over 50% of the latest audited net assets of the Company, and the absolute amount exceeds RMB50 million;
  - d) the profit derived from the transaction accounts for over 50% of the audited net profit of the Company in the latest accounting year, and the absolute amount exceeds RMB5 million:
  - e) the relevant operating income of the subject matter (such as equity) of the transaction in the latest accounting year accounts for over 50% of audited operating income of the listed company in the latest accounting year, and the absolute amount exceeds RMB50 million;
  - f) the relevant net profit of the subject matter (such as equity) of the transaction in the latest accounting year accounts for over 50% of the audited net profit of the Company in the latest accounting year, and the absolute amount exceeds RMB5 million.
- (xiii) to consider the equity incentive plan and employee share schemes of the Company;
- (xiv) to consider and approve proposals for changing the purpose of the raised funds;
- (xv) to consider other matters that laws, administrative regulations, departmental rules, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed or the Articles of Association require to be resolved by the general meeting.

The general meeting could authorize the Board of Directors to make resolutions on the issuance of corporate bonds.

General meetings are divided into annual general meetings and extraordinary general meetings. The annual general meeting shall be convened once every year and shall take place within six months of the end of the previous accounting year.

The Company shall convene an extraordinary general meeting within two months after the occurrence of any one of the following circumstances:

- (i) where the number of directors is less than the number stipulated in the Company Law or is not more than two-thirds of the number required by the Articles of Association;
- (ii) where the unrecovered losses of the Company amount to one-third of its total paid-in share capital;
- (iii) upon the requisition of shareholders individually or in aggregate holding more than 10 per cent of the shares of the Company;
- (iv) when the Board of Directors deems necessary;
- (v) the Audit Committee proposes to call for such a meeting;
- (vi) other circumstances as stipulated by laws, administrative regulations, departmental rules, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed or the Articles of Association.

The general meetings shall be held at a meeting place in the form of on-site meeting which members can attend virtually with the use of technology. The Company shall also provide the electronic voting means for the convenience of shareholders.

#### **Convening of General Meetings**

The Board of Directors shall convene a general meeting on time and within the prescribed period.

With the approval of a majority of all independent directors, the independent directors shall be entitled to propose the convention of an extraordinary general meeting to the Board of Directors. With regard to the proposal by the independent directors on convention of an extraordinary general meeting, the Board of Directors shall, in accordance with the provisions of the laws, administrative regulations and the Articles of Association, make feedback in written form concerning approval or disapproval of the convention within 10 days after its receipt of the request. If the Board of Directors agrees to hold an extraordinary general meeting, it will issue a notice calling such meeting within 5 days after it has so resolved. If the Board of Directors does not agree to hold the extraordinary general meeting, it shall give the reasons and publish an announcement.

The Audit Committee shall have the right to propose to the Board of Directors in writing to hold an extraordinary general meeting. The Board of Directors shall, in accordance with the laws, administrative regulations and the Articles of Association, give a written response on whether or not it agrees to call such an extraordinary general meeting within 10 days after receiving the proposal from the Audit Committee to call such meeting. If the Board of Directors agrees to hold an extraordinary general meeting, it will issue a notice calling such meeting within 5 days after it has so resolved. The consent of the Audit Committee shall be secured if any change is to be made in the notice to the original request. If the Board of Directors disagrees to hold an extraordinary general meeting or fails to give a written response within 10 days after the receipt of the proposal, it shall be deemed that the Board of Directors is unable or fails to perform its duty of convening a general meeting. In such case, the Audit Committee may convene and preside over the meeting on its own.

Shareholders that hold, individually or collectively, more than 10% of the shares in the Company shall request in writing the Board of Directors to hold an extraordinary general meeting. The Board of Directors shall, in accordance with the laws, administrative regulations and the Articles of Association, give a written response on whether or not it agrees to call such an extraordinary general meeting within 10 days after receiving the request. If the Board of Directors agrees to hold an extraordinary general meeting, it will issue a notice calling such meeting within 5 days after it has so resolved. The consent of the relevant shareholders shall be secured if any change is to be made in the notice to the original request. If the Board of Directors disagrees to hold an extraordinary general meeting or fails to give a response within 10 days after receipt of the proposal, the shareholders that hold, individually or collectively, more than 10% of the shares of the Company may propose in writing to the Audit Committee to hold an extraordinary general meeting.

If the Audit Committee agrees to hold an extraordinary general meeting, it will issue a notice calling such meeting within 5 days after receipt of the request. The consent of the relevant shareholders shall be secured if any change is to be made in the notice to the original request. If the Audit Committee fails to issue the notice calling such meeting within the period specified, it shall be deemed to have failed to convene and preside over such meeting. The shareholders holding, individually or collectively, more than 10% of the shares in the Company for 90 days or more consecutively may convene and preside over such meeting.

The Audit Committee or the shareholders that decide to hold a general meeting by itself or themselves shall notify the Board of Directors thereof in writing, and file it with the Shanghai Stock Exchange. Upon issuing the notice of the general meeting and the resolutions of such meeting, the Audit Committee or the convening shareholder shall provide relevant supporting documents to the Shanghai Stock Exchange. The shareholders who convene the general meeting shall hold at least 10% of the shares in the Company prior to the publish of the resolutions of such meeting.

The necessary expenses of the general meeting convened by the Audit Committee or the shareholders itself/themselves shall be borne by the Company.

#### Resolutions and Notices of General Meeting

When convening a general meeting, the Board of Directors, the Audit Committee and shareholders individually or in aggregate holding more than 1 per cent of the Company's shares shall be entitled to propose motions to the Company. Shareholders individually or in aggregate holding more than 1% of the Company's shares are entitled to propose interim proposals and submit them in writing to the convener 10 days before the general meeting is to be held. The convener shall within two days upon receipt of the proposal issue a supplementary notice of the general meeting, announcing the content of the interim proposals and submitting the interim proposals to the general meeting for consideration, however, except for the interim proposals that violate the requirements of the laws, administrative regulations, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed or the Articles of Association, or are not within the terms of reference of the general meeting. Save as provided in the preceding clause, after the issue of the notice of the general meeting, the convener shall not make any amendment to the proposal specified in the notice of the general meeting or add any new proposal. In respect of proposal not specified in the notice of the general meeting or not complying with the requirements of the Articles of Association, no voting and resolution shall be made at the general meeting.

The convener shall notify shareholders by way of announcement 20 days before the convening of an annual general meeting, and shareholders will be notified by notice 15 days before the convening of an extraordinary general meeting.

The notice of the general meeting includes the following:

- (i) the time, place and duration of the meeting;
- (ii) the matters and proposals submitted to the meeting for consideration;
- (iii) the date of registration of shares of shareholders entitled to attend the general meeting;
- (iv) state in plain language that all shareholders are entitled to attend the general meeting and may appoint a proxy in writing to attend and vote at the meeting, and that such proxy needs not be a shareholder of the Company;
- (v) the time and place for the delivery of the proxy forms for voting;
- (vi) the name and phone number of the permanent contact person for the meeting;
- (vii) the time and procedures of voting via the internet or by other means;
- (viii) other contents to be included in the notice as stipulated in relevant laws, regulations, rules, normative documents, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association.

After issuance of the notice for general meeting, the general meeting shall not be postponed or cancelled without proper reasons and the proposals specified in the notice shall not be withdrawn. In case of postponement or cancellation, the convener shall make an announcement stating the reasons at least 2 business days before the original meeting date.

### **Holding of General Meeting**

All shareholders registered on the date of share registration or their proxies are entitled to attend the general meetings. They shall also exercise their rights to speak and vote in accordance with the relevant laws, regulations, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the Company's shares are listed and the Articles of Association, unless individual shareholders are required by the securities regulatory rules of the place where the Company's shares are listed to waive their voting rights in respect of individual matters. Shareholders may attend the general meetings in person or appoint a proxy to attend, speak and vote on their behalf.

Where any directors and senior management are required to attend the general meeting, such directors and senior management shall be present at the meeting and reply the enquiries of shareholders.

The chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside over the general meeting. If the chairman is unable to perform his or her duties or fails to perform his or her duties, the vice chairman shall preside over the meeting; if the vice chairman is unable to perform his or her duties or fails to perform his or her duties, more than half of directors shall jointly elect one director to preside over the meeting. The chairperson of the Audit Committee shall preside over the general meeting convened by the Audit Committee. If the chairperson of the Audit Committee cannot or does not fulfill his or her duties, a member of the Audit Committee jointly elected by more than half of the members of the Audit Committee shall preside over the meeting. At a general meeting, where the chairperson of the meeting breaches the Rules of Procedures for the General Meeting, which makes the general meeting unable to carry on, one person may be elected as the chairperson of the meeting by the attending shareholders with one half or more of voting rights to resume the general meeting.

The Company shall formulate the Rules of Procedures for the General Meeting, and specify the convening, holding and voting procedures of the General Meeting, including notice, registration, consideration of proposal, voting, counting of votes, announcement of voting results, formation of resolutions of the meeting, minutes of the meeting and signing thereof, announcement as well as the principle of authorization of the general meeting to the Board of Directors. The content of authorization shall be clear and specific. The Rules of Procedures for the General Meeting shall be annexed to the Articles of Association and shall be prepared by the Board of Directors and approved by the general meeting.

#### **Voting and Resolutions of General Meeting**

The resolutions of the general meeting shall be divided into ordinary resolutions and special resolutions. An ordinary resolution shall be adopted by more than half of the votes held by the shareholders attending the general meeting. A special resolution shall be adopted by a two-thirds or more of the votes held by the shareholders attending the general meeting.

The following matters shall be passed through ordinary resolutions at the general meeting:

- (i) work reports of the Board of Directors;
- (ii) plans for profit distribution and recovery of losses prepared by the Board of Directors;
- (iii) appointment and dismissal of the members of the Board of the Directors, and their remuneration and payment methods;
- (iv) matters other than those which shall be passed by special resolutions as specified by laws, administrative regulations, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed, or the Articles of Association.

The following matters shall be passed through special resolution at the general meeting:

- (i) the increase or reduction of the registered capital of the Company;
- (ii) the division, spin-off, merger, dissolution and liquidation (including voluntary liquidation) of the Company;
- (iii) the amendment to the Articles of Association;
- (iv) the purchases or sales of material assets by the Company within one year or the guarantee amount provided to others exceeding 30% of the latest audited total assets of the Company;
- (v) the equity incentive plan;
- (vi) adjustments or changes to the profit distribution policy;
- (vii) other matters stipulated by laws, administrative regulations, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed, or the Articles of Association, as well as other matters that the General Meeting determines by ordinary resolution will have a significant impact on the Company and need to be passed by special resolution.

Shareholders shall exercise their voting rights according to the number of voting shares they represent, and each share shall have one vote.

Where any major matter that has an impact on the interests of minority investors is considered at a general meeting, the votes casted by minority investors shall be counted separately. The results of the separate counting shall be disclosed to the public in a timely manner.

Shares of the Company held by the Company shall carry no voting rights, and be excluded from the total voting shares held by shareholders present at a general meeting.

Shareholders, who purchase the voting shares of the Company in violation of provisions of the first clause and the second clause of Article 63 of the Securities Law, shall not exercise the voting rights of the Shares that exceed the prescribed ratio within 36 months after such purchase, and such shares shall not be counted among the total number of Shares with voting rights at a general meeting.

The Board of Directors, an independent director, a shareholder holding more than 1% of voting shares of the Company or an investor protection institution formed in accordance with laws, administrative regulations, or the rules of the CSRC may publicly solicit proxies. In proxy solicitation, the voting intention and other relevant information shall be fully disclosed to the shareholders from whom proxy is solicited. Proxy solicitation with the provision of direct or indirect compensation shall be prohibited. The Company may not impose any minimum shareholding requirement for proxy solicitation, except under statutory conditions.

When the general meeting considers matters relating to a related party transaction, the related shareholders may attend the general meeting and present their views to the attending shareholders in accordance with the procedures of the general meeting but shall not participate in the vote and the number of voting shares represented by them shall not be counted toward the total number of valid voting shares. The announcement of the resolutions of the general meeting shall adequately disclose information relating to voting by non-related shareholders. The chairman of the meeting shall, before any proposal on related party transactions is considered at the general meeting, inform related shareholders that they are not entitled to vote on the proposal. The votes cast by any related shareholder on related party transactions in violation of aforesaid provision shall be invalid.

When the general meeting votes on the election of directors, if the number of directors to be elected is more than one, the cumulative voting system shall be implemented. In addition to the cumulative voting system, the general meeting shall resolve on all the proposed resolutions separately; in the event of several proposed resolutions for the same issue, such proposed resolutions shall be voted on and resolved in the order of time at which they are submitted. Unless the general meeting is adjourned or no resolution can be made for special reasons such as force majeure, voting of such proposed resolutions shall neither be put aside nor denied at the general meeting.

When considering a proposed resolution, the general meeting shall not revise it; if an amendment is made, it shall be deemed as a new proposed resolution and may not be voted on during the current general meeting. The same vote may only be cast once at the location of a general meeting, or by online voting or other means. Where the same vote is cast for two or more times, the first cast shall hold.

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### Directors

Directors shall be elected or replaced by the general meeting, and may further be removed from their office prior to the conclusion of the term thereof by the general meeting. The term of office of a director shall be three years, which is renewable upon re-election.

The tenure of a director shall be from the date of appointment to the expiry of tenure of the current board of directors. If a director's tenure expires but a re-elected director is not elected in time, then before the re-elected director holding office, the original director shall still perform the duties as director, in accordance with the laws, administrative regulations, departmental rules and the Articles of Association.

Directors may be concurrently held by senior management members, but the total number of directors concurrently serving as senior management members and directors who are employee representatives shall not exceed one half of the total number of directors of the Company.

Directors shall observe the provisions of laws, administrative regulations, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association with the obligations of loyalty to the Company, take measures to avoid conflicts between their own interests and the Company's interests, and must not abuse their authority to seek improper benefits. The Directors shall fulfill the following obligations of loyalty to the Company:

- (i) not to misappropriate the Company's properties or divert the funds of the Company;
- (ii) not to deposit any funds of the Company in an account opened in their names or in the names of others:
- (iii) not to abuse their authority in bribes or accepting other unlawful income;
- (iv) not to enter into any contract or conduct any transaction, directly and indirectly, with the Company without reporting to the Board of Directors or the general meeting and obtaining approval through resolutions by the Board of Directors or the general meeting as stipulated in the Articles of Association;

- (v) not to take advantage of their positions to seek any business opportunities that are due to the Company for themselves or others, unless such business opportunities are not available to the Company upon reporting to the Board of Directors or the general meeting and obtaining approval through resolutions by the general meeting or as required in laws, administrative regulations, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the Company's shares are listed or the Articles of Association;
- (vi) not to conduct any businesses similar to those of the Company for themselves or others without reporting to the Board of Directors or the general meeting and obtaining approval through resolutions by the general meeting;
- (vii) not to take any commission for any transaction between other parties and the Company as their own;
- (viii) not to disclose any secret of the Company;
- (ix) not to use his or her connected relationships to harm the interests of the Company;
- (x) to fulfill other obligations of loyalty stipulated by laws, administrative regulations, departmental rules, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed, and the Articles of Association.

Directors' income derived from violation of the above-mentioned provision shall belong to the Company; and directors shall be liable to compensate any loss incurred to the Company.

Directors shall observe laws, administrative regulations, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association to perform their obligations of diligence to the Company. They shall fulfill their obligations with reasonable care generally due to managers in the best interests of the Company. Directors fulfill the following obligations of diligence to the Company:

- (i) to prudently, conscientiously and diligently exercising the rights granted him or her by the Company, so as to ensure that the commercial acts of the Company comply with state laws, administrative regulations and the requirements of the various economic policies of the state, and that its commercial activities do not exceed the scope of business specified on the business license;
- (ii) to treat all shareholders impartially;
- (iii) to keep informed of the operation and management conditions of the Company;
- (iv) to sign the written confirmation in respect of the regular reports of the Company to assure that the information disclosed by the Company is true, accurate and complete;

- (v) to honestly provide the Audit Committee with relevant information and data, and not to prevent the Audit Committee from performing its duties and powers;
- (vi) to fulfill other obligations of diligence stipulated by laws, administrative regulations, departmental rules, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association.

A director who fails to attend the meeting of the Board of Directors in person for two consecutive times and does not appoint other directors to attend the meeting shall be deemed unable to perform his or her duties and the Board of Directors shall recommend the general meeting to replace him or her. If an independent director fails to attend the meeting of the Board of Directors in person for two consecutive times, and does not appoint another independent director to attend the meeting on his or her behalf, the Board of Directors shall propose the convening of a general meeting to remove him/her from his/her position within 30 days from the date of occurrence of such facts.

A director may resign prior to expiry of his/her tenure. A resigning director shall submit a written resignation report to the Company, and the resignation shall become effective on the date the Company receives the resignation report. The Company shall disclose the relevant information as soon as practicable (but shall not more than two trading days). The written resignation letter of an independent director should describe any circumstances relating to his or her resignation or which he or she considers necessary to bring to the attention of the shareholders and creditors of the Company. The Company shall disclose the reasons and concerns of the resignation of independent Directors. If the number of members of the Board of Directors of the Company shall fall below the statutory quorum as a result of the resignation of a director, the said director shall continue fulfilling the duties as director pursuant to laws, administrative regulations, departmental rules, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association until a new director is elected. If the resignation of an independent director would result in the proportion of independent directors on the Board of Directors or its special committees not in compliance with the provisions of the Administrative Measures for Independent Directors of Listed Companies (《上市公司獨立董事管理辦法》), the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed or the Articles of Association, or if there is a lack of accounting professionals among the independent directors, the resigning independent director shall continue to perform his/her duties until a new independent director is appointed. The Company shall complete the by-election within sixty days from the date on which the resignation is tendered.

When a director's resignation comes into effect or his/her term of service expires, the director shall complete all transfer procedures with the Board of Directors. His/her fiduciary duties towards the Company and the shareholders do not necessarily cease after the end of his/her term of service and will be still in effective for a reasonable period specified by the Articles of Association. Responsibilities that should be undertaken by a director in connection with his/her performance of duties during his/her term of office shall not be waived or terminated as a result of such departure.

If a director causes damages to others in performing duties for the Company, the Company shall be liable for compensation; and if such damages are out of the intent or gross negligence of the director, he/she shall also be liable for compensation. A director that violates laws, administrative regulations, departmental rules, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed or the Articles of Association and causes losses to the Company in performing duties of the Company shall be liable for compensation. If, without the approval of the Board of Directors or the general meeting, a director provides guarantee for others with the Company's property without authorization, the Board of Directors shall recommend to the general meeting that he or she be replaced; and if the Company suffers any loss as a result of such a guarantee, the director concerned shall be liable to pay compensation.

#### **Board of Directors**

The Company shall have a Board of Directors. The Board of Directors consists of nine directors, including one employee representative director and at least one third of the independent directors.

The Board of Directors shall exercise the following powers and duties:

- (i) to be responsible for convening the general meeting and reporting its work to the general meeting;
- (ii) to implement the resolutions adopted by the general meeting;
- (iii) to determine the Company's business plans and investment plans;
- (iv) to formulate the Company's profit distribution plans and plans to cover losses;
- (v) to formulate the plans for the increase or reduction of the Company's registered capital and the plans for the issuance of the Company's bonds or other securities and listing plans;
- (vi) to draft the plans for major acquisitions, repurchases of the Company's shares or merger, division, dissolution or change of the corporate form of the Company;
- (vii) to determine, within the scope authorized by the general meeting, such matters as the Company's external investments, the purchase and sale of assets, asset mortgages, external guarantees, entrusted wealth management, related-party transactions and external donations:
- (viii) to decide on the establishment of the Company's internal management organizations;

- (ix) to decide to appoint or remove the Company's general manager and the secretary of the Board of Directors, and decide on matters relating to their remuneration and rewards; and according to the nomination of the general manager, to decide to appoint or remove the senior management members of the Company, such as the deputy general manager and chief financial officer and decide on matters relating to their remuneration and rewards:
- (x) to determine the related party transactions between the Company and related legal persons with an amount of more than RMB3 million and accounting for more than 0.5% but less than 5% of the absolute value of the Company's latest audited net assets; to determine the related party transactions between the Company and related natural persons with an amount of more than RMB300,000 and accounting for less than 5% of the absolute value of the Company's latest audited net assets;
- (xi) to consider and approve the transaction that meets one of the following criteria (where the relevant data in the below indicators is negative, the absolute value shall be used for calculation):
  - a) the total assets (where the total assets involved in the transaction have both book value and appraised value, whatever is higher shall prevail) involved in the transaction account for more than 10% but less than 50% of the Company's latest audited total assets;
  - b) the net assets (where the net assets involved in the transaction have both book value and appraised value, whatever is higher shall prevail) involved in the subject matter of the transaction (e.g., equity interests) account for more than 10% but less than 50% of the Company's latest audited net assets and their absolute amount exceeds RMB10 million;
  - c) the transaction amount of the transaction (including the debt and expenses) accounts for more than 10% but less than 50% of the Company's latest audited net assets, with an absolute amount exceeding RMB10 million;
  - d) the profit derived from the transaction accounts for more than 10% but less than 50% of the Company's audited net profit for the latest accounting year, with an absolute amount exceeding RMB1 million;
  - e) the revenue related to the subject of the transaction (e.g., equity interest) for the latest accounting year accounts for more than 10% but less than 50% of the Company's audited revenue for the latest accounting year, with an absolute amount exceeding RMB10 million;

- f) the net profit related to the subject of the transaction (e.g., equity interest) for the latest accounting year accounts for more than 10% but less than 50% of the Company's audited net profit for the latest accounting year, with an absolute amount exceeding RMB1 million.
- (xii) to formulate a preliminary plan for the allowance standards of independent directors of the Company;
- (xiii) to formulate the basic management systems of the Company;
- (xiv) to formulate any proposed amendment to the Articles of Association;
- (xv) to manage the information disclosure of the Company;
- (xvi) to propose to the general meeting the appointment or replacement of an accounting firm that performs audits for the Company;
- (xvii) to listen to the work report of the general manager of the Company and inspect the work of the general manager;
- (xviii) other powers and duties conferred by laws, administrative regulations, departmental rules, securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed, the Articles of Association or general meeting.

External guarantees that are required to be examined and approved by the Board of Directors must be approved by more than one half of all the directors of the Company, and shall be passed by more than two-thirds of the directors present at the Board meeting.

The Board of Directors shall have a chairman and a vice chairman, who shall be elected by the Board of Directors with approval of more than half of all the directors.

The chairman of the Board of Directors shall exercise the following powers and functions:

- (i) to chair the general meetings and convene and chair the board meetings;
- (ii) to supervise and inspect the implementation of resolutions passed by the Board of Directors;
- (iii) to exercise other functions and powers conferred by the Board of Directors.

The vice chairman of the Company shall assist the chairman of the board, and if the chairman of the board is unable to perform his duties or does not perform his/her duties, the vice chairman shall perform his duties, and if the vice chairman is unable to perform his duties or does not perform his duties, the majority of the directors shall jointly elect a director to perform his duties.

The Board of Directors shall convene regular board meeting at least four times each year at an interval of approximately once a quarter. The meeting shall be convened by the chairman and all the directors shall be notified in writing 14 days prior to the meeting.

Shareholders representing more than one-tenth of the voting rights, or more than one-third of the Board of Directors or the Audit Committee, may propose to convene an extraordinary general meeting of the Board of Directors. The chairman shall convene and preside over the meeting of the Board of Directors within 10 days after receiving the proposal.

The board meeting shall be held upon the attendance by more than half of directors. Resolutions of the Board of the Directors shall be passed by more than half of all directors. Resolutions of the Board of the Directors are voted by way of poll with each director having one vote.

The directors shall attend in person the meetings of the Board of Directors. Where any director who cannot attend for reasons may entrust another director in writing to attend and vote on his/her behalf. The power of attorney shall specify the name of the agent, the matters to be represented, the scope of authorization, and the period of validity, and shall be signed or stamped by the principal. The directors who attend the meeting on behalf shall exercise the rights as directors within the scope of authorization. Failure by a director to attend a meeting of the Board of Directors or to authorize a representative to attend the meeting on his/her behalf shall be deemed a waiver of the voting right at such meeting.

### **Independent Directors**

The independent directors, as members of the Board of Directors, shall have fiduciary obligations and diligent obligations towards the Company and all shareholders, and shall prudently perform the following duties:

- (i) to participate in the decision-making process of the Board of Directors and offer clear opinions on the matters under deliberation;
- (ii) to supervise matters relating to potential material conflicts of interest between the Company and its controlling shareholders, de facto controllers, directors and senior management, and to protect the legitimate rights and interests of small and medium shareholders;
- (iii) to provide professional and objective advice on the Company's operations and development, and to help improve the decision-making standards of the Board of Directors;
- (iv) to perform any other duties as required by the laws, administrative regulations, the CSRC, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association.

The independent directors shall exercise the following special functions and powers:

- (i) independently engaging intermediaries to audit, consult or verify specific matters of the Company;
- (ii) proposing to the Board of Directors the convening of an extraordinary general meeting;
- (iii) proposing to convene a meeting of the Board of Directors;
- (iv) to openly solicit shareholders' rights from shareholders in accordance with the law;
- (v) expressing independent opinions on matters that may jeopardize the interests of the Company or minority shareholders;
- (vi) other powers and functions prescribed by laws, administrative regulations, the CSRC, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed, and the Articles of Association.

The exercise of the powers and functions listed in (i) to (iii) of the preceding paragraphs by an independent director shall be approved by a majority of all independent directors.

#### Special Committees of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the Company has established the Audit Committee to exercise the powers and functions of the supervisory committee as stipulated in the Company Law as well as the powers and functions as stipulated in the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed.

The Audit Committee shall consist of at least three members, who shall be non-executive directors who do not hold senior management positions in the Company, of whom a majority shall be independent directors. The Audit Committee shall be convened by an accounting professional among the independent directors, at least one of whom shall have appropriate professional qualifications in accordance with the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed or who shall have appropriate accounting or related financial management expertise.

The Audit Committee is responsible for reviewing the Company's financial information and its disclosures, supervising and evaluating the internal and external audits and internal controls. The following matters shall be submitted to the Board of Directors for consideration after the approval by a majority of all members of the Audit Committee:

(i) disclosure of financial information in financial accounting reports and periodic reports, and internal control evaluation reports;

- (ii) appointment, re-appointment or dismissal of the accounting firm that undertake the audit affair of the listed company, approval of the remuneration and terms of appointment of the accounting firm, and handling of any issues relating to the resignation or dismissal of the accounting firm;
- (iii) appointment or dismissal of the financial controller of the listed company;
- (iv) changes in accounting policies, accounting estimates or correction of material accounting errors for reasons other than changes in accounting standards;
- (v) other matters as provided by laws, administrative regulations, the CSRC, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association.

In addition to the Audit Committee, the Board of Directors of the Company has established other special committees, including the Strategy and Sustainability Committee, the Nomination Committee and the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee to perform their duties in accordance with the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed, the Articles of Association and the authorization of the Board of Directors. The proposals of the special committees shall be submitted to the Board of Directors for deliberation and decision. The Board of Directors shall be responsible for formulating the terms of reference of the special committees.

A majority of the members of the Nomination Committee and the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee shall be independent directors, and the Nomination Committee shall have at least one director of a different gender. An independent director or the chairman of the Board of Directors shall act as the convener of the Nomination Committee, and an independent director shall act as the convener of the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee.

The Nomination Committee is responsible for formulating the standards and procedures for the selection of directors and senior management members, selecting and reviewing the candidates for directors and senior management members and their qualifications for office, and making recommendations to the Board of Directors on the following matters:

- (i) review the structure, number of members and composition of the Board of Directors (including the skills, knowledge and experience) at least once a year, assist the Board of Directors in maintaining a Board of Directors skills matrix, and make recommendations on any proposed changes to the Board of Directors to cooperate with the Company's corporate strategy;
- (ii) identify individuals suitably qualified to become board members and select or make recommendations to the board on the selection of individuals nominated for directorships;

- (iii) the nomination, appointment, removal or reappointment of directors and the succession planning for directors, in particular the chairman and general manager;
- (iv) the appointment or dismissal of senior management;
- (v) the assessment of the independence of independent directors;
- (vi) support the Company's regular evaluation of the performance of the Board of Directors:
- (vii) other matters as provided by laws, administrative regulations, the CSRC, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association.

The Remuneration and Appraisal committee is responsible for formulating the evaluation criteria for directors and senior management and conducting the evaluation, preparing and reviewing the remuneration policies and programs for directors and senior management such as the mechanism for determining the remuneration of directors and senior management, the decision-making process, and the arrangements for the payment and stoppage of recourse, and making recommendations to the Board of Directors on the following matters:

- (i) the remuneration of directors and senior management;
- (ii) formulating or changing the share incentive scheme and employee share ownership scheme, granting of rights and benefits to the targets of the incentives and fulfillment of the conditions for exercising the rights and benefits;
- (iii) arranging share ownership schemes for directors and senior management in the subsidiaries proposed to be spun off;
- (iv) other matters as provided by laws, administrative regulations, the CSRC, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed and the Articles of Association.

#### **Senior Management Members**

The Company shall have one general manager, who shall be decide on the appointment or dismissal by the Board of Directors. The Company shall have several deputy general managers, who shall be decide on the appointment or dismissal by the Board of Directors.

The provisions of the Articles of Association relating to the obligations of loyalty and diligence of the directors, shall also apply to senior management members.

The term of office of the general manager is three years, and he or she can be re-elected if re-appointed.

The general manager shall be accountable to the Board of Directors and shall exercise the following powers:

- to preside over the operation and management of the Company, organize the implementation of the resolutions of the Board of Directors, and report to the Board of Directors;
- (ii) to organize the implementation of the Company's annual operation plans and investment plans;
- (iii) to draft the plan for the establishment of the Company's internal management organizations;
- (iv) to draft the basic management policy of the Company;
- (v) to formulate specific rules and regulations of the Company;
- (vi) to propose to the Board of Directors on the appointment or dismissal of the Company's deputy general manager and financial controller;
- (vii) to determine to appoint or dismiss the management personnel except for those who should be appointed or dismissed by the Board of Directors;
- (viii) to formulate the plans for the salary, benefits, rewards and punishments of the Company's employees, and to determine the employment and dismissal of the Company's employees;
- (ix) to represent the Company in external matters and enter into contracts for the day-to-day business of the Company as authorized by the Board of Directors;
- (x) such other powers granted by the Board of Directors.

The Company has a secretary to the Board of Directors. The secretary to the Board of Directors is a senior management of the Company and shall be accountable to the Company and the Board of Directors. The secretary to the Board of Directors shall have the requisite professional knowledge in terms of finance, management and law, and possess good professional ethics and personal quality.

The secretary to the Board of Directors shall primarily perform the following duties:

 to be responsible for the Company's information disclosure affairs, coordinate the Company's information disclosure, organize and formulate the Company's information disclosure affairs management system, and urge the Company and the relevant information disclosure obligors to comply with the relevant information disclosure regulations;

- (ii) to be responsible for investor relations management, coordinate the information communication between the Company and securities regulatory authorities, investors, de facto controllers, intermediary agencies, media, etc.;
- (iii) to prepare and organize board meetings and general meetings, attend the general meetings, meetings of the Board of Directors, meetings of the special committees and meetings of the senior management, and be responsible for making records for the meetings of the Board of Directors and sign such records;
- (iv) to be responsible for the confidentiality of the Company's information disclosure, and to report and disclose any leakage of major undisclosed information to the Shanghai Stock Exchange in a timely manner;
- (v) to pay attention to media coverage and take the initiative to verify the truth, and urge the relevant parties in the Company to reply to the inquiries of the Shanghai Stock Exchange in a timely manner;
- (vi) to arrange trainings on the relevant laws and regulations and the relevant rules of the Shanghai Stock Exchange for the Company's directors and senior management, and to assist such persons to understand their responsibilities in respect of information disclosure;
- (vii) to urge the directors and senior management to abide by the laws and regulations, the relevant rules of the Shanghai Stock Exchange and the Articles of Association, and to effectively fulfil their commitments; when he/she is aware that the Company, directors and senior management have made or may make resolutions that violate the relevant provisions, he/she shall remind them and report the same to the Shanghai Stock Exchange in a timely manner;
- (viii) to be responsible for the management of the changes in the Company's shares and the derivatives thereof;
- (ix) other duties as required under the laws, regulations and the Shanghai Stock Exchange.

#### FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING SYSTEM, DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS AND AUDIT

## **Financial Accounting System**

The Company shall formulate its financial accounting systems in accordance with laws, administrative regulations, the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed and regulations of relevant departments of the State.

The Company shall submit and disclose the annual report to the local branch of CSRC and the stock exchanges within four months after the end of each accounting year, and submit and disclose the interim report to the local branch of CSRC and the stock exchanges within two months after the end of the first half of each accounting year. The above annual reports and interim reports shall be prepared in accordance with relevant laws, administrative regulations, the CSRC and regulations of the securities regulatory authorities and stock exchanges in the places where the shares of the Company are listed.

The Company shall not establish accounts books other than those provided by law. Any assets of the Company shall not be kept under any account opened in the name of any individual.

When distributing after-tax profits of the year, the Company shall allocate 10% of its after-tax profits for the Company's statutory reserve fund. When the aggregate balance in the statutory reserve fund has reached 50% or more of the Company's registered capital, the Company needs not to make any further allocations to that fund.

Where the Company's statutory reserve fund is not enough to make up losses of the Company for the preceding year, the current year's profits shall be applied firstly to make up the losses before being allocated to the statutory reserve in accordance with the preceding provision. Subject to a resolution passed at a shareholders' meeting, after allocation has been made to the Company's statutory reserve fund from its after-tax profits, the Company may set aside funds for the discretionary reserve fund from its after-tax profits. Except for those not distributed in proportion as prescribed in the Articles of Association, the remaining after-tax profit, after recovery of losses and appropriation of reserve funds, shall be distributed to shareholders in proportion to their shareholdings.

If the general meeting distributes profits to shareholders in violation of the provisions of the Company Law, shareholders shall refund to the Company the profits distributed in violation of the provisions; if losses are caused to the Company, the shareholders, the responsible Directors and senior management shall be liable for compensation.

No profit shall be distributed in respect of the shares of the Company which are held by the Company.

The reserve fund of the Company shall be used for making up for the loss, expansion of the operation or increase of capital of the Company. The discretionary reserve and the statutory reserve shall first be used in making up the losses of the Company, and for any losses left to be set off, the capital reserve may be utilized in accordance with the provisions. When the registered capital is increased by ways of conversion of the statutory reserve fund, the retained portion of the fund shall not be less than 25% of the registered capital of the Company before the capitalization.

Principle of profit distribution: The Company's profit distribution shall emphasise reasonable investment returns to public shareholders, aim at sustainable development and protection of shareholders' rights and interests, and shall maintain the continuity and stability of the profit distribution policy in compliance with the relevant provisions of laws and regulations.

Method of profit distribution: The Company may distribute profits in the form of cash, shares or a combination of both, or in any other manner permitted by laws with cash dividends taking precedence over other profit distribution methods. In principle, profit distribution shall be made on an annual basis if the conditions for profit distribution are met, and the Company may make interim profit distribution if conditions are met. Where the conditions for cash dividend are met, the Company shall adopt cash dividend for profit distribution. Where share dividends are adopted for profit distribution, real and reasonable factors such as the growth of the Company and the dilution of net assets per share should be taken into account.

#### **Internal Audit**

The Company shall implement its internal audit system, which specifies the leadership system, duties and responsibilities, staffing, financial protection, the use of audit results and accountability for internal audit. The Company's internal audit system is implemented after approval by the Board of Directors and is disclosed to the public. The internal audit department of the Company conducts supervision and inspection of the business activities, risk management, internal control, financial information and other matters of the Company.

#### Appointment of an Accounting Firm

The Company shall appoint such accounting firm which has complied with the Securities Law, and the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed for carrying out the audit for the accounting statements, net asset verification, and other relevant consultancy services. The term of appointment shall be 1 year and can be re-appointed. The appointment or dismissal of accounting firm by the Company shall be subject to the approval of the general meeting. The Board of Directors shall not appoint accounting firm before the approval of the general meeting. The Company guarantees that it shall provide the appointed accounting firm with true and complete accounting proofs, accounting books, financial accounting reports and other accounting information, and that it engages without any refusal, withholding, and misrepresentation.

The audit fee of the accounting firm shall be determined by the shareholders. In the event of termination of the appointment or non-renewal of appointment of an accounting firm, the Company shall notify the accounting firm 10 days in advance; when the shareholders cast their votes at the general meeting on termination of appointment of an accounting firm, the accounting firm shall be allowed to make its representation thereat.

An accounting firm proposing to resign shall state its opinions in the general meeting whether the Company has committed any improper act.

#### **Notice And Announcement**

Notices of the Company shall be sent by the following means:

- (i) by hand;
- (ii) by post;
- (iii) by fax or email;
- (iv) in case of urgency, an oral notification may be made, subject to written confirmation by the person to be notified;
- (v) by announcement;
- (vi) by other means acceptable to the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed or provided by the Articles of Association.

Where a notice issued by the Company is in the form of an announcement, all relevant persons are deemed to have received the notice once the announcement is made.

Notice of a general meeting of the Company shall be given by announcement. Notice of a meeting of the Board of Directors convened by the Company shall be given by hand, post, fax or e-mail, except for otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation when an extraordinary meeting of the Board of Directors is convened for urgent reasons.

# MERGER, DIVISION, CAPITAL INCREASE, CAPITAL REDUCTION, DISSOLUTION AND LIQUIDATION

#### Merger, Division, Capital Increase and Capital Reduction

If the Company is involved in a merger, the parties to the merger shall enter into a merger agreement, and shall prepare a balance sheet and a property list. The Company shall notify its creditors within 10 days as of the date of the resolution for the merger and shall publish an announcement through designated media or on the National Enterprise Credit Information Publicity System (國家企業信用信息公示系統) within 30 days as of the date of such resolution. A creditor may within 30 days as of the receipt of the notice or, in case where he/she fails to receive such notice within 45 days of the date of the announcement, to demand the Company to repay its debts or provide guarantees for such debts.

Where there is a division of the Company, its assets shall be divided accordingly. Where there is a division of the Company, a balance sheet and property list shall be prepared. The Company shall notify its creditors within 10 days as of the date of the resolution for the division and shall publish an announcement through designated media or on the National Enterprise Credit Information Publicity System (國家企業信用信息公示系統) within 30 days

as of the date of such resolution. Unless a written agreement has been entered into, before the division, by the Company and its creditors in relation to the repayment of debts, debts of the Company prior to the division shall be jointly assumed by the surviving companies after the division.

Where the Company needs to reduce its registered capital, it shall prepare a balance sheet and property list. The Company shall notify its creditors within 10 days as of the date of the resolution for the reduction of its registered capital by the general meeting and shall publish an announcement through designated media or on the National Enterprise Credit Information Publicity System (國家企業信用信息公示系統) within 30 days as of the date of such resolution. A creditor may within 30 days as of the receipt of the notice or, in case where he/she fails to receive such notice within 45 days of the date of the announcement, to demand the Company to repay its debts or provide guarantees for such debts. If the Company reduces its registered capital, it shall reduce the amount of capital contribution or shares in accordance with the proportion of capital contributed or shares held by shareholders, unless otherwise provided by law or otherwise provided in the Articles of Association.

When the Company issues new shares to increase its registered capital, shareholders do not have preemptive rights, unless otherwise stipulated in the Articles of Association or a resolution of the general meeting grants shareholders preemptive rights.

#### **Dissolution and Liquidation**

The Company shall be dissolved upon the occurrence of the following events:

- (i) other cause of dissolution as specified in the Articles of Association;
- (ii) a resolution on dissolution is passed by a shareholders' meeting;
- (iii) dissolution is required due to the merger or division;
- (iv) the business license of the Company is revoked or the Company is ordered to close down or dissolved in accordance with the laws;
- (v) the Company suffers significant hardships in operation and management, and its continued existence would cause significant losses to shareholders' interests, and such issues cannot be resolved through other means, shareholders representing 10% or above of the total voting rights of the Company may plead the court to dissolve the Company.

On the occurrence of the events of dissolution set out in the preceding provisions, the Company shall make an announcement via the National Enterprise Credit Information Publicity System (國家企業信用信息公示系統) within ten days.

Where the Company is dissolved under (i), (ii), (iv) and (v) above, it shall be liquidated. The Directors, being the liquidation obligors of the Company shall form a liquidation team for liquidation within fifteen days from the date of occurrence of the cause for dissolution to carry out liquidation. The liquidation team shall consist of the directors, unless the Articles of Association provide otherwise or the general meeting resolve to elect another person(s).

The liquidation team shall exercise the following functions and powers:

- (i) to inform creditors by notice or announcement;
- (ii) to examine and take possession of the assets of the Company and prepare the balance sheet and a property inventory;
- (iii) to deal with the outstanding businesses of the Company relating to liquidation;
- (iv) to pay all outstanding taxes and taxes incurred during the liquidation proceedings;
- (v) to settle creditor's rights and debts;
- (vi) to distribute the remaining assets of the Company after repayment of debts;
- (vii) to represent the Company in civil proceedings.

The liquidation team shall, within 10 days of its formation, notify the creditors, and shall, within 60 days, make a public announcement on the designated media of the place where the Company locates or on National Enterprise Credit Information Publicity System. Creditors shall, within 30 days of the receipt of the notice or within 45 days of the release of the public announcement in the case of failure to receive said notice, file their creditors' rights with the liquidation team. Where creditors file their creditors' rights, they shall explain about the matters related to creditors' rights, and shall provide the evidencing materials. The liquidation team shall register the creditors' rights. The liquidation team may not clear off any of the debts of any creditors during the period of filing creditors' rights.

After the liquidation team has liquidated the Company's property and prepared a balance sheet and property list, it shall formulate a liquidation plan and submit such plan to the general meeting or the people's court for confirmation. The Company's property remaining after payment of the liquidation expenses, the wages, social insurance premiums and statutory compensation of the employees, the taxes owed and all the Company's debts, shall be distributed by the Company to the shareholders in proportion to the shares they hold. During liquidation, the Company shall continue to exist but may not engage in any business activities unrelated to the liquidation. The Company's property will not be distributed to the shareholders until repayment of its debts in accordance with the preceding paragraph.

Following the completion of liquidation, the liquidation team shall formulate a liquidation report, submit the same to the general meeting or the people's court for confirmation, and submit the aforementioned documents to the company registration authority to apply for company deregistration.

The members of the liquidation team shall perform their liquidation duties with loyalty and diligence. If the members of the liquidation team are negligent in performing their liquidation duties and cause losses to the Company, they shall be liable for compensation. The members of the liquidation team shall be liable for compensation in respect of any loss to the creditors caused by willful or material default; and shall be liable for compensation in respect of any loss to the Company or the creditors caused by willful or material default.

#### Amendments to the Articles Of Association

Under any of the following circumstances, the Company would amend the Articles of Association:

- (i) upon revision of the Company Law or the relevant laws, administrative regulations and the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed, any item contained in the Articles of Association contradict the stipulations of the revised laws, administrative regulations and the securities regulatory rules of the place where the shares of the Company are listed;
- (ii) the Company's situation has changed and is inconsistent with the items recorded in the Articles of Association;
- (iii) the general meeting has decided on making amendments to the Articles of Association.

Where the amendments to the Articles of Association approved by the resolution of the general meeting shall be subject to the approval by competent authorities, such amendments shall be submitted to the competent authority for approval. Where the amendments involve matters in relation to company registration, the procedures for change in registration shall be completed.

The Board of Directors shall amend the Articles of Association pursuant to the resolution of the general meeting on the amendments to the Articles of Association and the review and approval opinion of competent authorities.

# STATUTORY AND GENERAL INFORMATION

#### FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE GROUP

#### **Incorporation**

The Company was established as a limited liability company under the laws of the PRC on April 6, 2005 and was converted into a joint stock company with limited liability on December 28, 2012.

The Company has established a place of business in Hong Kong at Room 1915, 19/F, Lee Garden One, 33 Hysan Avenue, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong. The Company was registered as a non-Hong Kong company in Hong Kong under Part 16 of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and the Companies (Non-Hong Kong Companies) Regulation (Chapter 622J of the Laws of Hong Kong) on June 6, 2025, with Ms. Wong Wai Yee, Ella appointed as the Hong Kong authorised representative of the Company for acceptance of the service of process and any notices required to be served on the Company in Hong Kong.

As the Company was established in the PRC, its operations are subject to the relevant laws and regulations of the PRC. A summary of the relevant aspects of laws and regulations of the PRC and the Articles of Association is set out in "Regulatory Overview" and "Appendix III — Summary of the Articles of Association" in this document, respectively.

#### Changes in the Share Capital of the Company

An aggregate of 534,143 A Shares which were granted but locked restricted A Shares repurchased by the Company were cancelled on July 22, 2024. The total issued share capital of the Company decreased from RMB666,906,348 comprising 666,906,348 A Shares of nominal value of RMB1.00 each to RMB666,372,205 comprising 666,372,205 A Shares of nominal value of RMB1.00 each.

An aggregate of 500,000 A Shares repurchased by the Company were cancelled on July 24, 2024. The total issued share capital of the Company decreased from RMB666,372,205 comprising 666,372,205 A Shares of nominal value of RMB1.00 each to RMB665,872,205 comprising 665,872,205 A Shares of nominal value of RMB1.00 each.

An aggregate of 1,748,100 A Shares repurchased by the Company were cancelled on November 21, 2024. The total issued share capital of the Company decreased from RMB665,872,205 comprising 665,872,205 A Shares of nominal value of RMB1.00 each to RMB664,124,105 comprising 664,124,105 A Shares of nominal value of RMB1.00 each.

An aggregate of 64,915 A Shares which were granted but locked restricted A Shares repurchased by the Company were cancelled on January 21, 2025. The total issued share capital of the Company decreased from RMB664,124,105 comprising 664,124,105 A Shares of nominal value of RMB1.00 each to RMB664,059,190 comprising 664,059,190 A Shares of nominal value of RMB1.00 each.

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Save as disclosed above, there has been no alteration in the share capital of the Company within two years immediately preceding the date of this document.

#### Resolutions of the Shareholders

At the extraordinary general meeting of the Shareholders held on June 10, 2025, the following resolutions, among other things, were duly passed:

- (i) the issue by the Company of H Shares with a nominal value of RMB1.00 each and such H Shares be [REDACTED] on the Stock Exchange;
- (ii) the number of H Shares to be issued shall be no more than [REDACTED]% of the total issued share capital of the Company as enlarged by the [REDACTED], and the grant of the [REDACTED] in respect of no more than [REDACTED]% of the number of H Shares issued pursuant to the [REDACTED];
- (iii) authorization of the Board or its authorized individuals to handle all matters relating to, among other things, the [REDACTED], the issue and [REDACTED] of H Shares on the Stock Exchange; and
- (iv) subject to the completion of the [REDACTED], the conditional adoption of the revised Articles of Association, which shall become effective on the [REDACTED], and the authorization to the Board to amend the Articles of Association in accordance with the requirements of the relevant laws and regulations and the Listing Rules.

## Subsidiaries of the Company

A summary of the corporate information and the particulars of the Company's subsidiaries are set out in Note 1 to the Accountant's Report as set out in Appendix I.

The following sets out the changes in the share capital of the Company's subsidiaries and the Company's subsidiary incorporated within the two years immediately preceding the date of this document:

- On April 16, 2024, the registered capital of Xysemi decreased from RMB65,091,839 to RMB57,779,499.
- On July 11, 2024, XC Memory was established in the PRC with an initial registered capital of RMB100,000,000.
- On July 31, 2024, CreMemory Technology was established in the PRC with an initial registered capital of RMB27,000,000.

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- On October 22, 2024, CreMemory Technology Singapore Pte. Ltd. was incorporated in Singapore with an initial share capital of \$\$200,000.
- On December 10, 2024, Zhuhai Lingchuang Management Consulting Co., Ltd. (珠海領創管理諮詢有限公司) was established in the PRC with an initial registered capital of RMB5,000,000.
- On March 19, 2025, Innolead Singapore Pte. Ltd. was incorporated in Singapore with an initial share capital of US\$300,000.

Save as disclosed above, there has been no alteration in the share capital of the subsidiaries of the Company within two years immediately preceding the date of this document.

### FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE BUSINESS

#### **Summary of Material Contracts**

The Group has entered into the following contracts (not being contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business) within the two years immediately preceding the date of this document that are or may be material:

## (a) the [REDACTED].

### **Intellectual Property**

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the following intellectual property rights are material to the Group's business:

#### **Trademarks**

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the Group had registered the following trademarks which are material to its business:

No.	Trademark	Class	Registered Owner	Place of Registration	Registration Number	Expiry Date
1	GigaDevice	9, 35, 42	The Company	The European Union	1743920	December 24, 2033
2	GigaDevice	9	The Company	The United	6770373	June 28, 2032
				States		
3	GigaDevice	9	The Company	Taiwan	02088856	October 1, 2030
4	GigaDevice	9, 35, 42	The Company	Republic of	40-1676428	December 29,
				Korea		2030
5	GigaDevice	9, 35, 42	The Company	Japan	6342403	January 19, 2031
6	GigaDevice	9, 35, 42	The Company	Hong Kong	305170734	January 15, 2030

<u>No.</u>	Trademark	Class	Registered Owner	Place of Registration	Registration Number	Expiry Date
7	GigaDevice	9, 35, 42	The Company	The United Kingdom	UK00003453906	August 7, 2030
8	GigaDevice	9, 35, 42	The Company	Germany	30 2020 000 009	July 8, 2030
9	GigaDevice	9	The Company	PRC	40507870	April 6, 2030
10	GigaDevice	9	The Company	PRC	13452795	January 20, 2035
11	GigaDevice	9	The Company	Taiwan	01689801	February 1, 2035
12	gigadevice	9	The Company	PRC	8720220	October 13, 2031
13		9	The Company	PRC	71052704	March 6, 2035
	GigaDevice					
14		9	The Company	PRC	62873480	May 13, 2033
15	2	9	The Company	The United States	7012829	March 28, 2033
16	2	9	The Company	Taiwan	02088854	October 1, 2030
17	2	9, 35, 42	The Company	Republic of Korea	40-1699638	March 4, 2031
18	2	9, 35, 42	The Company	Japan	6342405	January 19, 2031
19	2	9, 35, 42	The Company	Hong Kong	305170743	January 15, 2030
20	2	9, 35, 42	The Company	The United Kingdom	UK00003453909	August 7, 2030
21		9, 35, 42	The Company	Germany	30 2020 000 010	July 6, 2030

<u>No.</u>	Trademark	Class	Registered Owner	Place of Registration	Registration Number	Expiry Date
22	2	9	The Company	PRC	40510934	September 13, 2031
23		9, 35, 42	The Company	Singapore	40202255438Y	September 28, 2032
24	R	9, 35, 42	The Company	The European Union	018769962	September 29, 2032
25	R	9	The Company	The United States	7012828	March 28, 2033
26	e.	9	The Company	Taiwan	02088855	October 1, 2030
27	e.	9, 35, 42	The Company	Republic of Korea	40-1699637	March 4, 2031
28	R	9, 35, 42	The Company	Japan	6342404	January 19, 2031
29		9, 35, 42	The Company	Hong Kong	305170725	January 15, 2030
30		9, 35, 42	The Company	The United Kingdom	UK00003460178	August 7, 2030
31		9, 35, 42	The Company	Germany	30 2020 000 008	July 8, 2030
32	8	9	The Company	PRC	40520244	September 13, 2031

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No.	Trademark	Class	Registered Owner	Place of Registration	Registration Number	Expiry Date
33	兆易	9, 42	The Company	Hong Kong	306070842	September 27, 2032
34	兆易	9, 42	The Company	Singapore	1730568	February 19, 2033
35	兆易	9, 42	The Company	Japan	1730568	February 19, 2033
36	兆易	9, 42	The Company	The United Kingdom	1730568	February 20, 2033
37	兆易	9, 42	The Company	The European Union	1730568	February 20, 2033
38	兆易	9	The Company	PRC	9682514	August 27, 2032
39	兆易	9	The Company	Taiwan	01639781	April 30, 2034
40	兆易创新	9	The Company	PRC	40515478	April 6, 2030
41	兆易创新	9	The Company	PRC	9682626	August 27, 2032
42	兆易創新	9	The Company	Taiwan	01639782	April 30, 2034

## Domain Name

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the Group had registered the following domain name which is material to its business:

No.	Domain Name	Registered Owner	Expiry Date
1	www.gigadevice.com	The Company	March 15, 2028

#### **Patents**

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the Group had registered the following patents which are material to its business:

No	Patent Name	Туре	Patent Holder	Jurisdiction of Registration	Patent Number	Date of Application	<b>Expiry Date</b>
1	A controllable integrated circuit test system and method based on programmable devices (一種基於可編程器件的可控集成電路測試系統及方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200710062951.1	January 23, 2007	January 23, 2027

No	Patent Name	Туре	Patent Holder	Jurisdiction of Registration	Patent Number	Date of Application	Expiry Date
2	Apparatus and method for single-port memory to achieve multi-port storage function (單端口存儲器實現多端口存儲功能的裝置和方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200710063455.8	February 1, 2007	February 1, 2027
3	A memory irradiation test method and a device for implementing the method (一種存儲器輻照 測試方法以及實現該方法 的裝置)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200710064298.2	March 9, 2007	March 9, 2027
4	A memory error detection and correction coding circuit and a method of reading and writing data using it (一種存儲器檢 錯糾錯編碼電路及利用其 讀寫數據的方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200710098602.5	April 23, 2007	April 23, 2027
5	*	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200710100298.3	June 7, 2007	June 7, 2027
6	A programmable non- volatile memory cell structure and its manufacturing method (一種可編程非易失性存 儲單元結構及其製造方 法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200710177121.3	November 9, 2007	November 9, 2027
7	,	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200710178885.4	December 6, 2007	December 6, 2027
8	Disposable programmable non-volatile memory cell, array and their manufacturing method (一次性可編程非易失性 存儲器單元、陣列及其製造方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200710179341.X	December 12, 2007	December 12, 2027

<u>No</u>	Patent Name	Туре	Patent Holder	Jurisdiction of Registration	Patent Number	Date of Application	Expiry Date
9	A programmable non-volatile memory cell, array and their manufacturing method (一種可編程非易失性存儲器單元、陣列及其製造方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200710196807.7	December 5, 2007	December 5, 2027
10	Multi-bit programmable non-volatile memory cell, array and their manufacturing method (多比特可編程非易失性存儲器單元、陣列及其製造方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200710308407.0	December 29, 2007	December 29, 2027
11	A binary domain multiplier (一種二元域乘法器)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200810055758.X	January 8, 2008	January 8, 2028
12	An oscillator (一種振蕩器)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200810057906.1	February 20, 2008	February 20, 2028
13	A serial interface flash memory and its design method (一種串行接口快 閃存儲器及其設計方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200810100925.8	February 26, 2008	February 26, 2028
14	A sensitive amplifier for random memories (一種 適用於隨機存儲器的靈敏 放大器)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200810104028.4	April 14, 2008	April 14, 2028
15	A random memory and its power supply method (一種隨機存儲器及其供電方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200810118470.2	August 25, 2008	August 25, 2028
16	A non-volatile memory and its data protection method (一種非易失性存儲器及其數據保護方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200810118471.7	August 25, 2008	August 25, 2028
17	Disposable programmable memory, its method of manufacturing and program reading (一次性可編程存储器、製造及編程讀取方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200810239925.6	December 15, 2008	December 15, 2028

<u>No</u>	Patent Name	Туре	Patent Holder	Jurisdiction of Registration	Patent Number	Date of Application	Expiry Date
18	Disposable programmable memory, its method of manufacturing and program reading (一次性可編程存储器、製造及編程讀取方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200810239926.0	December 15, 2008	December 15, 2028
19	Disposable programmable memory, its method of manufacturing and program reading (一次性可編程存儲器、製造及編程讀取方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200810239927.5	December 15, 2008	December 15, 2028
20	Disposable programmable memory, its method of manufacturing and program reading (一次性可編程存儲器、製造及編程讀取方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200810240174.X	December 18, 2008	December 18, 2028
21	Adjustable-frequency oscillator capable of preventing the frequency from oscillating in the vicinity of the reference electrical signal (能夠防止頻率在基準電信號附近振蕩的可調頻率振蕩器)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200810241012.8	December 24, 2008	December 24, 2028
22	System and method for ensuring secure reading of data stored in a memory (保證存儲器存儲的數據安全讀取的系統及方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200910081928.6	April 8, 2009	April 8, 2029
23	Disposable programmable memory, its method of manufacturing and program reading (一次性可編程存儲器、製造及編程讀取方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200910086520.8	June 4, 2009	June 4, 2029

No	Patent Name	Type	Patent Holder	Jurisdiction of Registration	Patent Number	Date of Application	Expiry Date
24	Disposable programmable memory, its method of manufacturing and program reading (一次性可編程存储器、製造及編程讀取方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200910086521.2	June 4, 2009	June 4, 2029
25	Disposable programmable memory, its method of manufacturing and program reading (一次性可編程存儲器、製造及編程讀取方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200910086522.7	June 4, 2009	June 4, 2029
26	Pseudo-static memory and its control method for write and refresh operations (偽靜態存儲器及其寫操作與刷新操作的控制方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200910093836.X	September 23, 2009	September 23, 2029
27	Pseudo-static memory and its control method for write and refresh operations (偽靜態存儲器及其寫操作與刷新操作的控制方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN200910093837.4	September 23, 2009	September 23, 2029
28	A non-volatile memory and its design method (一種 非易失性存儲器及其設計 方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN201010105324.3	May 30, 2007	May 30, 2027
29	A chip test method and device (一種芯片測試方 法和裝置)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN201310320070.0	July 26, 2013	July 26, 2033
30	A method and device for signal management of a digital-analogue hybrid chip (一種數模混合芯片的信號管理方法和裝置)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN201310320077.2	July 26, 2013	July 26, 2033
31	A method of repairing a non-volatile memory (一 種非易失性存儲器的修復 方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN201310616204.3	November 27, 2013	November 27, 2033

No	Patent Name	Туре	Patent Holder	Jurisdiction of Registration	Patent Number	Date of Application	Expiry Date
32	A sensitive amplifier and flash memory storage device (一種靈敏放大器 和閃存存儲裝置)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN201410197238.8	May 12, 2014	May 12, 2034
33	A pre-charging system for a memory median line and a judgement method of pre-charging (一種存 儲器中位線的預充電系統 及預充電的判斷方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN201410198056.2	May 12, 2014	May 12, 2034
34	A dynamic pre-charging control circuit and flash memory storage system (一種動態預充控制電路和閃存存儲系統)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN201410199017.4	May 12, 2014	May 12, 2034
35	A method to simulate user data storage in NandFlash (一種 NandFlash中模擬用戶數 據存儲的方法)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN201510496655.7	August 13, 2015	August 13, 2035
36	An analogue test development platform for embedded memory (一種內嵌式存儲器的模 擬測試開發平台)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN201510496664.6	August 13, 2015	August 13, 2035
37	A voltage conversion circuit (一種電壓轉換電路)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN201510523098.3	August 24, 2015	August 24, 2035
38	A voltage conversion circuit (一種電壓轉換電路)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN201510523953.0	August 24, 2015	August 24, 2035
39	Fingerprint sensing device (指紋感測設備)	Invention	Silead	PRC	CN201610304310.1	May 10, 2016	May 10, 2036
	A data reading device and method for non-volatile memory (一種非易失性 存儲器的數據讀取裝置及方法)	Invention	. ,	PRC	CN201610574374.3	July 19, 2016	July 19, 2036
41	A driver circuit and charge pump circuit (一種驅動 電路和電荷泵電路)	Invention	The Company and GigaDevice Hefei	PRC	CN201610877896.0	September 30, 2016	September 30, 2036

No	Patent Name	Туре	Patent Holder	Jurisdiction of Registration	Patent Number	Date of Application	Expiry Date
42	An EMMC test method and device (一種EMMC 測試方法及裝置)	Invention	GigaDevice Xi'an and the Company	PRC	CN201611159207.9	December 15, 2016	December 15, 2036
43	An eMMC test method and device (一種eMMC測試方法及裝置)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN201611160426.9	December 15, 2016	December 15, 2036
44	A charge pump circuit (一 種電荷泵電路)	Invention	The Company and GigaDevice Hefei	PRC	CN201611184799.X	December 20, 2016	December 20, 2036
45	A Nand flash element and its operation control method and device (一種 Nand flash元件及其運行 控制方法和裝置)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN201711449641.5	December 27, 2017	December 27, 2037
46	A Nand flash element and its low frame control method and device (一種 Nand flash元件及其低格 控制方法和裝置)	Invention	GigaDevice Xi'an and the Company	PRC	CN201711449645.3	December 27, 2017	December 27, 2037
47	,	Invention	The Company and GigaDevice Hefei	PRC	CN201811521172.8	December 12, 2018	December 12, 2038
48	,	Invention	Silead	PRC	CN201910411708.9	May 17, 2019	May 17, 2039
49	Charge pump circuit, non- volatile memory (電荷泵 電路、非易失性存儲器)	Invention	The Company	PRC	CN202110031981.6	January 11, 2021	January 11, 2041

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#### DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

#### Disclosure of Interests of Directors and Chief Executive of the Company

Immediately following the completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans), the interests and/or short positions (as applicable) of the Directors and the chief executive of the Company in the Shares, underlying Shares and debentures of the Company and any interests and/or short positions (as applicable) in shares, underlying shares or debentures of any of the associated corporations of the Company (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which (1) will have to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and/or short positions (as applicable) which they are taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), (2) will be required, pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein or (3) will be required, pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers as set out in Appendix C3 to the Listing Rules, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange, in each case once the H Shares are [REDACTED] on the Stock Exchange, will be as follows:

## (i) Interests in the Company

Name of Director or chief executive	Nature of interest	Number and description of Shares or underlying Shares held	Shareholding in A Shares upon completion of the [REDACTED] <sup>(1)</sup>	Shareholding in total issued share capital upon completion of the [REDACTED] <sup>(1)</sup>
Mr. Zhu Yiming <sup>(2)</sup>	Beneficial owner	58,811,513	8.86%	[REDACTED]%
	Interest held jointly with other persons	A Shares		
Mr. He Wei <sup>(3)</sup>	Beneficial owner	344,727	0.05%	[REDACTED]%
		A Shares		
Mr. Hu Hong <sup>(4)</sup>	Beneficial owner	1,568,725	0.24%	[REDACTED]%
		A Shares		

Notes:

- (1) The calculation is based on the total number of [REDACTED] Shares in issue immediately following the completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans).
- (2) InfoGrid Limited has issued the Acting-in-Concert Undertaking. By virtue of the SFO, Mr. Zhu Yiming and InfoGrid Limited are deemed to be interested in the Shares held by each other.
- (3) As of the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. He Wei was interested in (i) 255,207 A Shares held by him; and (ii) 89,520 options granted to him under the 2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan entitling him to receive 89,520 A Shares subject to vesting.
- (4) As of the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Hu Hong was interested in (i) 425,845 A Shares held by him; and (ii) 1,142,880 options granted to him under the 2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan entitling him to receive 1,142,880 A Shares subject to vesting.

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### (ii) Interests in the associated corporations of the Company

Name of Director or chief executive	Name of associated corporation	Nature of interest	Shareholding
Mr. Hu Hong <sup>(1)</sup>	CreMemory Technology	Interest in controlled corporations	22.22%

Note:

Save as disclosed above, so far as the Directors are aware, immediately following the completion of the [REDACTED], no Directors or the chief executive will, directly or indirectly, be interested in the Shares, underlying Shares and debentures of the Company or the shares, underlying shares or debentures of any of the associated corporations of the Company.

### Disclosure of Interests of Substantial Shareholders

#### (i) Interests in the Company

Save as disclosed in "Substantial Shareholders" in this document and "— Disclosure of Interests of Directors and Chief Executive of the Company — (i) Interests in the Company" in this section, the Directors are not aware of any person who will have an interest or a short position in the Shares or underlying Shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO.

#### (ii) Interests in other members of the Group

The following table sets out, so far as the Directors are aware, persons who will be, directly or indirectly, interested in 10% or more of the issued voting shares of any other members of the Group:

Member of the Group	Name of substantial shareholder	Approximate percentage of the issued voting shares held by the substantial shareholder		
Xysemi	Hefei Guojing <sup>(1)</sup>	18.07%		
	Jian Tan (譚健)	14.32%		
	Yanting Yang (楊燕婷)	12.13%		
	Stony Creek Capital <sup>(1)</sup>	12.05%		

<sup>(1)</sup> Please see "History and Corporate Structure — Corporate Structure" for details of the shareholding structure of CreMemory Technology as of the Latest Practicable Date.

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Note:

(1) As of the Latest Practicable Date, Xysemi was held as to, among others, 38.07% by the Company, 18.07% by Hefei Guojing, 12.05% by Stony Creek Capital and 1.81% by Hefei Guozheng. Pursuant to the Stony Creek Capital Undertaking, Stony Creek Capital has undertaken to entrust all of its shareholder's rights in Xysemi to the Company, including the voting rights and nomination and proposal rights but other than the income rights and disposal rights. Pursuant to the Xysemi Acting-in-Concert Agreement and the relevant arrangements, Hefei Guojing and Hefei Guozheng have agreed to act in concert with the Company when making proposals to or voting at the general meetings of Xysemi on matters in relation to Xysemi. See "History and Corporate Structure — Major Acquisition" for details.

Save as disclosed above and in "— Disclosure of Interests of Directors and Chief Executive of the Company — (ii) Interests in the associated corporations of the Company" in this section, the Directors are not aware of any person who will be, directly or indirectly, interested in 10% or more of the issued voting shares of any other members of the Group.

#### FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE DIRECTORS

#### **Particulars of the Service Contracts**

Each of the Directors [has entered] into a service contract with the Company. The principal particulars of these service contracts comprise (a) the term of the service; (b) termination provisions; and (c) dispute resolution provision. The service contracts may be renewed in accordance with the Articles of Association and the applicable laws, rules and regulations from time to time.

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors has or is proposed to have entered into any service contract with any member of the Group (excluding contracts expiring or determinable by any member of the Group within one year without payment of compensation other than statutory compensation).

#### Remuneration of Directors

For details of the remuneration of Directors, see "Directors and Senior Management — Remuneration" and Note 8 in "Appendix I — Accountants' Report."

# **Agency Fees or Commissions Received**

The [REDACTED] will receive an [REDACTED] commission in connection with the [REDACTED], as detailed in "[REDACTED]." Save in connection with the [REDACTED], no commissions, discounts, brokerages or other special terms have been granted by the Group to any person (including the Directors, promoters and experts referred to in "— Other Information — Qualifications and Consents of Experts" below) in connection with the issue or sale of any capital or security of the Company or any member of the Group within the two years immediately preceding the date of this document.

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Within the two years immediately preceding the date of this document, no commission has been paid or is payable for subscription, agreeing to subscribe, procuring subscription or agreeing to procure subscription for any share in or debentures of the Company.

#### **Personal Guarantees**

The Directors have not provided personal guarantees in favour of lenders in connection with banking facilities granted to the Group.

#### **Disclaimers**

- (a) None of the Directors nor any of the experts referred to in "— Other Information Qualifications and Consents of Experts" below has any direct or indirect interest in the promotion of, or in any assets which have been, within the two years immediately preceding the date of this document, acquired or disposed of by, or leased to, any member of the Group, or are proposed to be acquired or disposed of by, or leased to, any member of the Group.
- (b) Save in connection with the [**REDACTED**], none of the Directors nor any of the experts referred to in "— Other Information Qualifications and Consents of Experts" below, is materially interested in any contract or arrangement subsisting at the date of this document which is significant in relation to the business of the Group.
- (c) Save as disclosed in this document, none of the Directors is interested in any business apart from the Group's business which competes or is likely to compete, directly or indirectly, with the business of the Group.
- (d) No cash, securities or other benefit has been paid, allotted or given within the two years preceding the date of this document to any promoter of the Company nor is any such cash, securities or benefit intended to be paid, allotted or given on the basis of the [REDACTED] or related transactions as mentioned.

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#### SHARE INCENTIVE PLANS

The following is a summary of the principal terms of the Share Incentive Plans comprising the 2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan, the 2021 Stock Option Incentive Plan, the 2021 Restrict Share Incentive Plan, the 2023 Stock Option Incentive Plan and the 2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan. The terms of the Share Incentive Plans are not subject to the provisions of Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules as they do not involve any grant of options or restricted Shares by the Company after [REDACTED]. Save as otherwise disclosed, the terms of each of the Share Incentive Plans are substantially similar and are summarized below.

### (a) Purpose

The purpose of the Share Incentive Plans is to improve the Company's incentive mechanism, to attract and retain talents and to mobilise the enthusiasm of the Company's Directors (where applicable), senior management (where applicable), management and core and backbone personnel, so as to achieve a mutual focus on the long-term development of the Company. The Share Incentive Plans are implemented to align the interests of the Shareholders with the interests of the Company and the individuals of its core teams.

#### (b) Administration

The Share Incentive Plans are subject to the approval of the Shareholders' meeting, the administration of the Board and the supervision of the board of supervisors (where applicable) and independent Directors of the Company.

#### (c) Participants

The participants of the 2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan include the senior management, management and core and backbone personnel of the Company. The participants of the 2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan, the 2021 Stock Option Incentive Plan and the 2023 Stock Option Incentive Plan include the management and core and backbone personnel of the Company. The participants of the 2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan include the Directors, senior management, management and core and backbone personnel of the Company.

The scope of participants of the Share Incentive Plans excludes the independent Directors, supervisors, Shareholders or actual controllers who individually or collectively hold more than 5% of the Shares and their spouse, parents and children.

## (d) Source and Maximum Number of Options and Restricted Shares

The underlying Shares of the Share Incentive Plans are the A Shares issued by the Company. The underlying Shares of the 2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan might also include the A Shares repurchased by the Company from secondary market.

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Each option granted represents the right to purchase one A Share within the exercise period at the exercise price. The options are subject to a vesting period and will only be vested upon fulfilling the vesting conditions stipulated. Each restricted Share granted represents the right to receive one A Share at the grant price. The restricted Shares are subject to a lock-up period and will only be unlocked upon fulfilling the unlocking conditions stipulated.

The maximum number of options or restricted Shares that can be granted under each of the Share Incentive Plans is as follows:

Share Incentive Plan	Maximum number of options/restricted Shares to be granted
2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan	3,408,600
2021 Stock Option Incentive Plan	3,463,100
2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan	2,202,600
2023 Stock Option Incentive Plan	10,813,400
2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan	6,781,400

### (e) Date of Grant and Term of the Share Incentive Plans

The date on which the options and restricted Shares are granted shall be determined by the Board after the approval of the Share Incentive Plans by the Shareholders. The initial grant of options and restricted Shares shall be announced within 60 days after the approval of such plan by the Shareholders.

The Stock Option Incentive Plans shall be effective from the date of the completion of registration of relevant options granted under the relevant Stock Option Incentive Plans up to the date when all of the options granted under the relevant Stock Option Incentive Plans have been vested or deregistered, provided that the term of the relevant Stock Option Incentive Plans (other than 2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan) shall not exceed 60 months, and the terms of the 2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan shall not exceed 61 months.

The 2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan shall be effective from the date of the completion of registration of relevant restricted Shares granted under the 2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan up to the date when all of the restricted Shares granted under the 2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan have been unlocked or repurchased and deregistered, provided that its term shall not exceed 60 months.

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### (f) Lock-up for Directors and Senior Management

If the grantee is a Director or a member of senior management of the Company,

- (i) during their employment with the Company, the Shares to be transferred in each year shall not exceed 25% of the total Shares he or she holds;
- (ii) no Share held by such Director or senior management can be transferred within six months after termination of his or her employment with the Company;
- (iii) income gained through sale of the Shares within six months after his or her purchase of the Shares or purchase of the Shares within six months after his or her sale of the Shares shall belong to the Company and will be forfeited by the Board; and
- (iv) if there is any change in the applicable laws and regulations on the foregoing lock-up requirements, the grantee shall comply with the amended laws and regulations.

## (g) Conditions to the Grant of Options and Restricted Shares

The options and restricted Shares under the Share Incentive Plans will only be granted to selected participants if the following conditions are fulfilled:

- (i) with respect to the Company, none of the following circumstances having occurred:
  - (1) an audit report with an adverse opinion or a disclaimer of opinion has been issued by the reporting accountants with respect to the Company's accountants' report for the most recent fiscal year;
  - (2) an audit report with an adverse opinion or a disclaimer of opinion has been issued by the reporting accountants with respect to the internal control of the financial report for the most recent fiscal year;
  - (3) the Company has not distributed dividends in accordance with the laws and regulations, the Articles of Association or the Company's public commitment within the last 36 months after its listing;
  - (4) applicable laws and regulations prohibit the implementation of share incentive; or
  - (5) other circumstances determined by the CSRC; and
- (ii) with respect to a grantee, none of the following circumstances having occurred:
  - (1) the grantee has been regarded as an inappropriate person by the stock exchange within the last 12 months;

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- (2) the grantee has been regarded as an inappropriate person by the CSRC and its local office within the last 12 months;
- (3) the grantee has received administrative penalty or been prohibited from entering into the securities market by the CSRC and its local office due to material non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations within the last 12 months;
- (4) the grantee is not qualified to serve as a director or senior management according to the PRC Company Law;
- (5) the grantee is prohibited from participating in any share incentive of listed companies according to applicable laws and regulations; or
- (6) other circumstances determined by the CSRC.

## (h) Vesting of Options

The options will only be vested when the conditions set out under paragraph (g) above are fulfilled and the annual assessment and performance targets as set out under the respective relevant Stock Option Incentive Plans are achieved.

The options will be vested in accordance with the vesting schedule as set out under the relevant Stock Option Incentive Plans as follows:

- (i) under the 2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan, vested in tranches of 25% in each of the four vesting periods that occur between the first trading date after 13 months from the date of registration and the last trading day up to 61 months from the date of registration, respectively;
- (ii) under the 2021 Stock Option Incentive Plan and the 2023 Stock Option Incentive Plan, vested in tranches of 25% in each of the four vesting periods that occur between the first trading date after 12 months from the date of registration and the last trading day up to 60 months from the date of registration, respectively; and
- (iii) under the 2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan, vested in tranches of 20%, 20%, 30% and 30% in each of the four vesting periods that occur between the first trading date after 12 months from the date of registration and the last trading day up to 60 months from the date of registration, respectively.

The number of options granted and/or vested and/or the vesting prices shall be adjusted upon the occurrence of certain events, including increase in the share capital by way of capitalization of capital reserves, distribution of dividends, subdivision of shares, placing and share reduction. The Company may deregister the granted but unvested options upon occurrence of certain events as set out in the relevant Stock Option Incentive Plans, including but not limited to the termination of employment of the grantees with the Company.

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### (i) Unlocking of Restricted Shares

The restricted Shares will only be unlocked when the conditions set out under paragraph (g) above are fulfilled and the annual assessment and performance targets as set out under the 2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan are achieved.

Under the 2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan, the restricted Shares will be unlocked in tranches of 25% in each of the four unlocking periods that occur between the first trading date after 12 months from the date of registration and the last trading day up to 60 months from the date of registration, respectively.

The number of restricted Shares granted and/or unlocked and/or the grant prices shall be adjusted upon the occurrence of certain events, including increase in the share capital by way of capitalization of capital reserves, distribution of dividends, subdivision of shares, placing and share reduction. The Company may repurchase and deregister the granted and locked restricted Shares upon occurrence of certain events as set out in the 2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan, including but not limited to the termination of employment of the grantees with the Company.

### (j) Outstanding Options

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the number of outstanding options granted under the Stock Option Incentive Plans as resolved by the Board was 14,157,184, representing approximately [REDACTED]% of the total issued Shares immediately following completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans). Assuming full vesting of all outstanding options granted under the Stock Option Incentive Plans, the shareholding of the Shareholders and the earning per Share immediately following completion of the [REDACTED] will be diluted by approximately [REDACTED]% (assuming (i) the underlying A Shares of all outstanding options are A Shares issued by the Company, instead of repurchased from secondary market and (ii) the [REDACTED] is not exercised). The following table sets forth the number of outstanding options granted to the Directors, senior management and other connected persons of the Company under the Stock Option Incentive Plans as of the Latest Practicable Date:

Name	Position in the Group	Address	Stock Option Incentive Plan	Date of registration	Vesting period	Exercise price (per Share)	Number of outstanding options	As an approximate percentage of total issued share capital upon completion of the [REDACTED] (1)
Directors and	senior management							
Mr. He Wei .	zarovani v zarovion,	,	2024 Stock	June 3,	Note 2	RMB59.18	89,520	[REDACTED]%
	deputy chairman	Building 1, 2	Option	2024				
	of the Board and	Siyingmen	Incentive					
	general manager	North Road,	Plan					
		Fengtai District,						
		Beijing, PRC						

Name	Position in the Group	Address	Stock Option Incentive Plan	Date of registration	Vesting period	Exercise price (per Share)	Number of outstanding options	As an approximate percentage of total issued share capital upon completion of the [REDACTED] (1)
Mr. Hu Hong.	Executive Director and deputy general manager	1104, West Unit, Building 16, 16 Zhixin Beili, Haidian District, Beijing, PRC	2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan	June 3, 2024	Note 2	RMB59.18	1,142,880	[REDACTED]%
Ms. Sun Guijing	Deputy general manager and chief financial officer	2003, 20/F, Building 16, Fulaiyin Garden 76 Shazikou Road, Dongcheng District, Beijing, PRC	2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan	June 3, 2024	Note 2	RMB59.18	268,560	[REDACTED]%
Mr. Li Baokui	Deputy general manager	401, Unit 5, Building 12, Huilongguan Xinlongcheng, Changping District, Beijing, PRC	2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan	February 23, 2021	Note 3	RMB142.07 <sup>(4)</sup>	19,600	[REDACTED]%
		<b>3</b> <i>0</i>	2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan	June 3, 2024	Note 2	RMB59.18	375,040	[REDACTED]%
Other connecte Ms. Li Hong (李紅)	ed persons  Director of Silead	Room 202, No. 40, 39 Xiangnan Road, Zhangjiang Town, Pudong New District, Shanghai, PRC	2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan	June 3, 2024	Note 2	RMB59.18	375,040	[REDACTED]%
Ms. Li Xiaoyan (李曉燕)	Supervisor of GigaDevice Hefei, Silead and GigaDevice Shanghai	Room 1402, Unit 1, Building 39, Phase III, Zhonghai Runze Garden, Runzhou District, Zhenjiang, Jiangsu Province, PRC	2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan	June 3, 2024	Note 2	RMB59.18	268,560	[REDACTED]%

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Notes:

- (1) The calculation is based on the assumption that the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans.
- (2) 20%, 20%, 30% and 30% options are vested in each of the four vesting periods that occur between the first trading date after 12 months from the date of registration and the last trading day up to 60 months from the date of registration, respectively, under the 2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan.
- (3) 25% options are vested in each of the four vesting periods that occur between the first trading date after 13 months from the date of registration and the last trading day up to 61 months from the date of registration, respectively, under the 2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan.
- (4) The exercise price under the 2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan has taken into account the adjustment due to the Company's dividends distributions, including (i) the distribution of cash dividends of RMB5.6 (tax inclusive) per 10 Shares and distribution of stock dividends of four Shares per 10 Shares to the Company's then existing Shareholders on May 21, 2021; (ii) the distribution of cash dividends of RMB10.6 (tax inclusive) per 10 Shares to the Company's then existing Shareholders on June 2, 2022; and (iii) the distribution of cash dividends of RMB6.2 (tax inclusive) per 10 Shares to the Company's then existing Shareholders on June 20, 2023.

The table below sets forth the details of outstanding options granted to other grantees (excluding Directors, senior management and other connected persons of the Company) under the Stock Option Incentive Plans as of the Latest Practicable Date:

Stock Option Incentive Plan	Number of grantees	Date of registration	Vesting period	Exercise price (per Share)	Number of outstanding options	approximate percentage of total issued share capital upon completion of the [REDACTED] <sup>(1)</sup>
2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan	234	February 23, 2021	Note 2	RMB142.07 <sup>(1)</sup>	979,496	[REDACTED]%
2021 Stock Option Incentive Plan	293	September 1, 2021	Note 3	RMB186.28 <sup>(2)</sup>	622,189	[REDACTED]%
2023 Stock Option Incentive Plan	931	August 21, 2023	Note 3	RMB86.47	7,329,979	[REDACTED]%
2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan	33	June 3, 2024	Note 4	RMB59.18	2,686,320	[REDACTED]%

Notes:

- (1) The calculation is based on the assumption that the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans.
- (2) 25% options are vested in each of the four vesting periods that occur between the first trading date after 13 months from the date of registration and the last trading day up to 61 months from the date of registration, respectively, under the 2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan.
- (3) 25% options are vested in each of the four vesting periods that occur between the first trading date after 12 months from the date of registration and the last trading day up to 60 months from the date of registration, respectively, under the 2021 Stock Option Incentive Plan and the 2023 Stock Option Incentive Plan.

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- (4) 20%, 20%, 30% and 30% options are vested in each of the four vesting periods that occur between the first trading date after 12 months from the date of registration and the last trading day up to 60 months from the date of registration, respectively, under the 2024 Stock Option Incentive Plan.
- (5) The exercise price under the 2020 Stock Option Incentive Plan has taken into account the adjustment due to the Company's dividends distributions, including (i) the distribution of cash dividends of RMB5.6 (tax inclusive) per 10 Shares and distribution of stock dividends of four Shares per 10 Shares to the Company's then existing Shareholders on May 21, 2021; (ii) the distribution of cash dividends of RMB10.6 (tax inclusive) per 10 Shares to the Company's then existing Shareholders on June 2, 2022; and (iii) the distribution of cash dividends of RMB6.2 (tax inclusive) per 10 Shares to the Company's then existing Shareholders on June 20, 2023.
- (6) The exercise price under the 2021 Stock Option Incentive Plan has taken into account the adjustment due to the Company's dividends distributions, including (i) the distribution of cash dividends of RMB10.6 (tax inclusive) per 10 Shares to the Company's then existing Shareholders on June 2, 2022; and (ii) the distribution of cash dividends of RMB6.2 (tax inclusive) per 10 Shares to the Company's then existing Shareholders on June 20, 2023.

### (k) Outstanding Restricted Shares

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the number of outstanding restricted Shares granted under the 2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan as resolved by the Board was 313,957, representing approximately [REDACTED]% of the total issued Shares immediately following completion of the [REDACTED] (assuming the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans). As of the Latest Practicable Date, none of the grantees under the 2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan is a Director, member of senior management or connected person of the Company. The table below sets forth the details of outstanding restricted Shares granted under the 2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan as of the Latest Practicable Date:

Restricted Share Incentive Plan	Number of grantees	Date of registration	Unlocking period	Grant price (per Share)	Number of outstanding restricted Shares	As an approximate percentage of total issued share capital upon completion of the [REDACTED] <sup>(1)</sup>
2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan	295	September 8, 2021	Note 2	RMB93.98	313,957	[REDACTED]%

Notes:

- (1) The calculation is based on the assumption that the [REDACTED] is not exercised and no additional Shares are issued pursuant to the Share Incentive Plans.
- (2) 25% restricted Shares are unlocked in each of the four unlocking periods that occur between the first trading date after 12 months from the date of registration and the last trading day up to 60 months from the date of registration, respectively, under the 2021 Restricted Share Incentive Plan.

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## **Estate Duty**

The Directors have been advised that no material liability for estate duty is likely to fall on the Group.

#### Litigation

As of the Latest Practicable Date, the Company was not engaged in any outstanding litigation or arbitration which may have material adverse effect on the [REDACTED] and, so far as the Directors are aware, no material litigation or claim was pending or threatened by or against the Company.

### **Joint Sponsors**

China International Capital Corporation Hong Kong Securities Limited ("CICC"), one of the Joint Sponsors, does not consider itself to be independent from the Company according to Rule 3A.07(3) of the Listing Rules, since CICC Capital Operation Co., Ltd. (中金資本運營有限公司) ("CICC Capital"), a subsidiary of the holding company of CICC, thus being the member of the sponsor group, is the general partner of CICC Qizhao Ruihong (Xiamen) Equity Investment Fund Partnership (Limited Partnership) (中金啟兆睿泓(廈門)股權投資基金合夥企業(有限合夥)) ("CICC Qizhao"), which has been consolidated into the account of the Company. In its capacity as the general partner of CICC Qizhao, CICC Capital is responsible for operation and management of CICC Qizhao, and is able to exert substantially all the voting power in CICC Qizhao, and thus constitutes a substantial shareholder (as defined under the Listing Rules) of CICC Qizhao. Therefore, CICC Capital is a core connected person (as defined under the Listing Rules) of the Company.

Huatai Financial Holdings (Hong Kong) Limited satisfies the independence criteria applicable to sponsors as set out in Rule 3A.07 of the Listing Rules.

Each of the Joint Sponsors will receive a fee of US\$100,000 for acting as the sponsor for the [REDACTED].

## **Preliminary Expenses**

The Company has not incurred any material preliminary expenses.

#### **Promoters**

The promoters of the Company are Mr. Zhu Yiming, Insight Power Investments Limited (訊安投資有限公司), InfoGrid Limited, Tus Zhonghai Venture Capital Co., Ltd. (啟迪中海創業投資有限公司), TeraHertz Limited (香港泰若慧有限公司), Infotech Venture Capital Co., Ltd. (盈富泰克創業投資有限公司), Shenzhen Zhonghe Chunsheng No. 1 Equity Investment Fund Partnership (Limited Partnership) (深圳市中和春生壹號股權投資基金合夥企業(有限合夥)), Beijing Yourong Hengtong Investment Management Center (Limited Partnership) (北京友容恒通投資管理中心(有限合夥)), Beijing Tus Venture Incubator Co., Ltd. (北京啟迪創業孵化器有限公司), IPV Capital II HK Limited (IPV資本有限公司), Tianjin Tengxin Venture Capital Partnership (Limited Partnership) (天津騰信創業投資合夥企業(有限合夥)), Alpha Achieve Limited, Beijing Zhonghai Venture Capital Co., Ltd. (北京中海創業投資有限公司),

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Shanghai Huaxin Venture Capital Enterprise (上海華芯創業投資企業), Beijing Wanshun Tonghe Investment Management Center (Limited Partnership) (北京萬順通合投資管理中心(有限合夥)), Tianjin Xundu Venture Capital Partnership (Limited Partnership) (天津潯渡創業投資合夥企業(有限合夥)), Tongfang Huaqing Investment Management Co., Ltd. (同方華清投資管理有限公司), Shanghai SummitView Venture Capital Partnership (Limited Partnership) (上海武岳峰創業投資合夥企業(有限合夥)), Changzhou SummitView Venture Capital Partnership (Limited Partnership) (常州武岳峰創業投資合夥企業(有限合夥)) and Beijing Zhonghai Houde Investment Management Center (Limited Partnership) (北京中海厚德投資管理中心(有限合夥)).

Within the two years immediately preceding the date of this document, no cash, securities, or other benefit has been paid, allotted or given, or has been proposed to be paid, allotted or given, to any of the promoters named above in connection with the [REDACTED] or the related transactions described in this document.

#### **Qualifications and Consents of Experts**

The qualifications of the experts which have given opinions or advice which are contained in, or referred to in, this document are as follows:

Name of Expert	Qualifications				
China International Capital Corporation Hong Kong Securities Limited	A licensed corporation under the SFO for carrying on type 1 (dealing in securities), type 2 (dealing in futures contracts), type 4 (advising on securities), type 5 (advising on futures contracts) and type 6 (advising on corporate finance) of the regulated activities as defined under the SFO				
Huatai Financial Holdings (Hong Kong) Limited	A licensed corporation under the SFO for carrying on type 1 (dealing in securities), type 2 (dealing in futures contracts), type 3 (leveraged foreign exchange trading), type 4 (advising on securities), type 6 (advising on corporate finance), type 7 (providing automated trading services) and type 9 (asset management) of the regulated activities as defined under the SFO				
KPMG	Certified Public Accountants and Public Interest Entity Auditor registered in accordance with the Accounting and Financial Reporting Council Ordinance				
King & Wood Mallesons	PRC legal advisor				
Frost & Sullivan (Beijing) Inc., Shanghai Branch Co	Independent industry consultant				

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Each of the experts listed above has given and has not withdrawn its written consent to the issue of this document with the inclusion of its report and/or letter and/or opinion and/or references to its name included herein in the form and context in which they respectively appear.

## **Binding Effect**

This document shall have the effect, if an application is made in pursuance hereof, of rendering all persons concerned bound by all of the provisions (other than the penal provisions) of Sections 44A and 44B of the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance so far as applicable.

## **Bilingual Document**

The English language and Chinese language versions of this document are being published separately, in reliance upon the exemption provided in Section 4 of the Companies Ordinance (Exemption of Companies and Prospectuses from Compliance with Provisions) Notice (Chapter 32L of the Laws of Hong Kong).

#### Miscellaneous

Save as otherwise disclosed in this document,

- (a) within the two years preceding the date of this document, no share or loan capital of the Company or any of its subsidiaries has been issued or has been agreed to be issued fully or partly paid either for cash or for a consideration other than cash;
- (b) no share or loan capital of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is under option or is agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be put under option;
- (c) no founder, management or deferred shares of the Company or any of its subsidiaries have been issued or have been agreed to be issued;
- (d) none of the equity and debt securities of the Company or its subsidiary is presently listed or dealt in on any other stock exchange nor is any listing or permission to deal being or proposed to be sought;
- (e) the Company has no outstanding convertible debt securities or debentures;
- (f) none of the experts listed under "— Qualifications and Consents of Experts":
  - (i) is interested beneficially or non-beneficially in any shares in any member of the Group; or

- (ii) has any right or option (whether legally enforceable or not) to subscribe for or to nominate persons to subscribe for securities in any member of the Group save in connection with the [REDACTED]; and
- (g) there has not been any interruption in the business of the Group which may have or has had a significant effect on the financial position of the Group in the 12 months preceding the date of this document.

# DOCUMENTS DELIVERED TO THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES AND AVAILABLE ON DISPLAY

#### DOCUMENTS DELIVERED TO THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES

The documents attached to the copy of this document delivered to the Registrar of Companies in Hong Kong for registration were:

- (a) a copy of each of the material contracts referred to in "Appendix IV Statutory and General Information — Further Information about the Business — Summary of Material Contracts"; and
- (b) the written consents referred to in "Appendix IV Statutory and General Information Other Information Qualifications and Consents of Experts."

#### DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE ON DISPLAY

Copies of the following documents will be available on display on the website of the Stock Exchange at <a href="www.hkexnews.hk">www.hkexnews.hk</a> and the Company's website at <a href="www.gigadevice.com">www.gigadevice.com</a> during a period of 14 days from the date of this document:

- (a) the Articles of Association;
- (b) the Accountants' Report and the report on the unaudited [REDACTED] financial information of the Group from KPMG, the texts of which are set out in "Appendix I Accountants' Report" and "Appendix II Unaudited [REDACTED] Financial Information", respectively;
- (c) the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024;
- (d) the legal opinion from King & Wood Mallesons, the Company's PRC Legal Advisor, in respect of the Group under the PRC laws;
- (e) the industry report prepared by Frost & Sullivan referred to in the section headed "Industry Overview" in this document;
- (f) the PRC Company Law, the PRC Securities Law, the Overseas Listing Trial Measures and the Guidelines for the Articles of Association of Listed Companies issued by the CSRC together with their unofficial English translations;
- (g) the service contracts between each of the Directors and the Company referred to in "Appendix IV — Statutory and General Information — Further Information about the Directors — Particulars of the Service Contracts";

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- (h) the material contracts referred to in "Appendix IV Statutory and General Information Further Information about the Business Summary of Material Contracts";
- (i) the written consents referred to in "Appendix IV Statutory and General Information Other Information Qualifications and Consents of Experts"; and
- (j) the terms of the Stock Option Incentive Plans.

#### DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION

A copy of full lists of all the grantees under the Stock Option Incentive Plans will be made available for public inspection at the office of Freshfields at 55th Floor, One Island East, Taikoo Place, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong during normal business hours up to and including the date which is 14 days from the date of this document.