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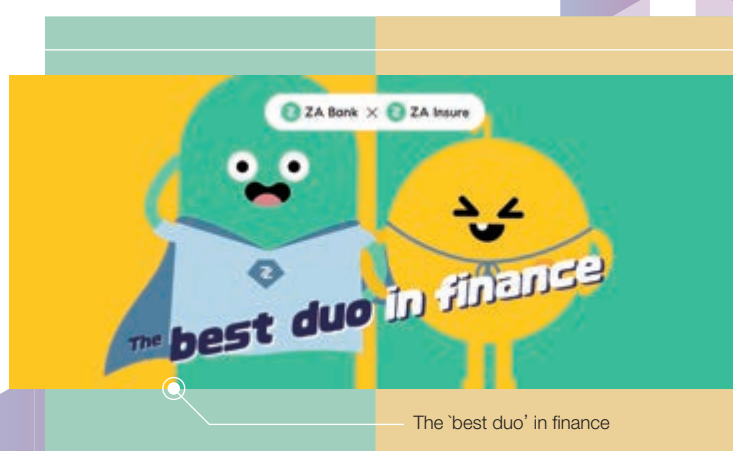
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CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

On behalf of the board of directors of Sinolink Worldwide Holdings Limited (“Sinolink” or the “Company”), I present the results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the “Group”) for the year ended 31 December 2021.



The 'best duo' in finance

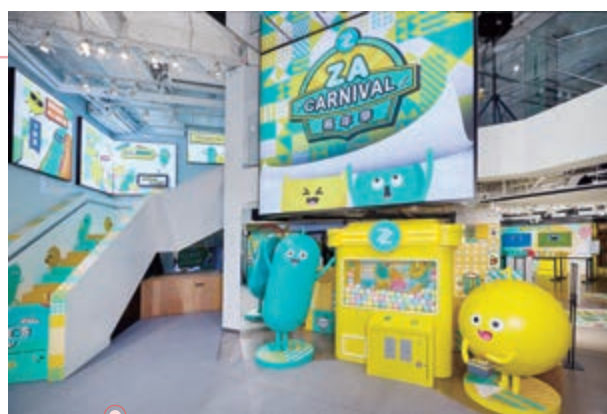
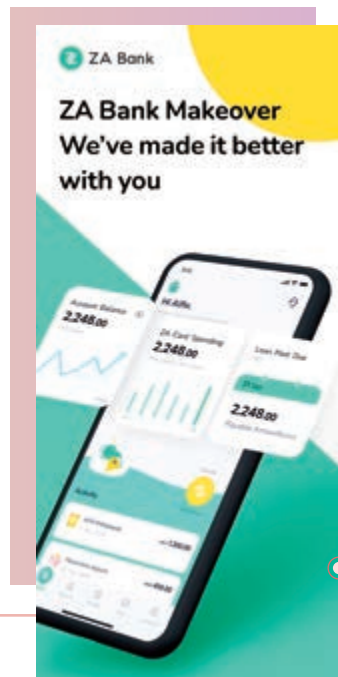
REVIEW

During the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group's core businesses remained focused on financial service sector, asset financing management, property development, commercial property investment and operating property management, financial products and securities investment. The Group recorded a revenue of HK\$432.2 million for the year and profit attributable to owners of the Company of HK\$190.7 million. Basic earnings per share amounted to HK3.34 cents. The board does not recommend the payment of any final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2021 (2020: nil).

China's gross domestic product (GDP) amounted to RMB 114.4 trillion in 2021, up 8.1% year-on-year, with a two-year average growth rate of 5.1%. China's economic growth rate in 2021 was significantly higher than the set target of 6%, making it one of the fastest growing countries in the world. The proportion of the economy in the world was expected to increase to more than 18%, highlighting the strong vitality and resilience of the Chinese economy. Based on the latest statistics of China's total population of 1412.6 million, the GDP per capita reached RMB 80,962, representing an increase of more than RMB 8,300 compared to 2020. The GDP per capita was equivalent to approximately US\$12,000, and has exceeded US\$10,000 for three consecutive years.

In 2021, China's economic growth continued to maintain its leading position in the world, but it had slowed down quarter by quarter, and the downward pressure on the economy had increased. Although the effects of the policy of stabilizing growth have helped to alleviate the pressure on the economy operation to a certain extent, the current economic situation in China is still relatively severe and complex, facing multiple internal and external risks and challenges. On the one hand, the external situation remains severe and complex, the development of the global epidemic is still uncertain, and the global economic recovery is still under pressure to slow down. The unchanged tone of the great power game and the shift in monetary policy of major economies have disturbed the pace of China's economic recovery. On the other hand, structural adjustments such as the resurgence of the epidemic, the “dual carbon” target, reducing the dependence of economic growth on real estate and the persistently high debt pressures have brought risks and challenges to the recovery of domestic economy.

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT



ZA Carnival

ZA Bank APP upgraded to 2.0

Facing the coexistence of economic downward pressure and macro risks, China's macro policy still needs to coordinate a balance between long-term structural adjustment and short-term economic stability, and take into account the balance between risk prevention and growth stabilization. It is necessary to strengthen the top-level design of the "dual carbon" goal, strengthen the organic integration of epidemic prevention and control policies with macroeconomic policies, cautiously introduce relevant policies with signals of economic contraction, and focus on and strengthen the coordination between various policy implementation departments. All in all, China's macro economy still faces many challenges.

Against this backdrop and macro environment, Sinolink has been exploring new growth approaches to capture potential opportunities arising from the new form of economic development, while seeking opportunities and launching initiatives for investing and participating in financial technology and new economy sectors and striving for greater room to expand its operations in pursuit of sustainable development and stable return.

PROSPECTS

Looking ahead to 2022, China's economy will continue to be under pressure, coupled with the high base effect. The economy will continue to decline in 2022, and the economy is expected to decline first and then stabilize. In terms of the surrounding environment, the global daily number of new cases of COVID-19 pandemic exceeds 3 million per day. Although the mortality rate remains low, the impact of the epidemic on both supply and demand still exists, which is still an important factor affecting the economy. In terms of the domestic environment, the data for the fourth quarter of 2021 showed that the economy was under greater growth pressure. Although the quarter-on-quarter growth rate of 4.0% was generally better than the market expectations in the recent period, the lack of demand was undoubtedly evident. The growth rate of exports has dropped marginally, the real estate market has cooled, and the real estate investment has declined. It is difficult for the consumption to improve under the repeated epidemic, and the downward pressure on China's economy still exists.

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

However, stabilizing the macro economy is not only an economic issue, but also a political one, and the determination and confidence of the senior management to stabilize growth should not be underestimated. "Six Stability" and "Six Security" were re-proposed at the Politburo meeting and the Central Economic Work Conference at the end of the year, and the focus of policy shifted to stabilize growth. The policy has begun to underpin the downward economy, and it was necessary to maintain the stable operation of the economy on a high base. At present, real estate policies have been slightly relaxed, consumption promotion policies have been introduced and infrastructure investment has continued to make efforts. Stable investment is the main focus for short-term stable growth, and green development, scientific and technological innovation will help to promote high-quality development in the medium and long term. It is expected that the target economic growth rate for the whole year of 2022 will be in the range of 5%-5.5%.

Despite of the cautious view on the short and medium term economic trends in China, we are still confident about the Group's business prospects in the long run. We are keeping a close watch on potential short-term fluctuations in the economy while maintaining a long-term vision in business planning. With an aim to create more value for the Company, we will take on market challenges in a prudent manner to explore potential business opportunities after careful analysis, sparing no effort in shaping the Company into a sustainable business with greater room and momentum for development.

APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank all our staff for their devoted work and give my sincere gratitude to all our shareholders for their continual support over the years.

Xiang Ya Bo

Chairman

Hong Kong, 24 March 2022

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Looking back at 2021, the second year since the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, it was a year which witnessed a strong recovery of the global economy. In contrast with the economic contraction of 4.3% in 2020, global economic growth is expected to reach 5.9% in 2021, which would be a record high in the most recent 48 years; a benefit mainly stemming from ultra-loose fiscal and monetary policies adopted by each country and the low base in 2020. At the same time, in 2021 the global economy encountered three major crises: namely supply chain collapse, energy shortages, and high inflation; meanwhile the effect of the governments' coping strategy was not obvious, which constrained economic recovery in 2021. Under the pandemic, although the global economy was slowly recovering, the pace of recovery differed in various countries. In 2021, economic development of each country was directly linked to pandemic control, and fiscal and monetary policies. The effectiveness of pandemic prevention and control determined the bottom line of economic development, while monetary policies and its matching political and economic system determined the ceiling of economic development. The vaccination rate in Europe and America was high, thus their economic recovery was strong; the vaccination rate in developing countries was low, thus they suffered economic ups and downs. Among major economies, the United States' total GDP was still at the top of global ranking, and China ranked second, with total GDP reaching three-fourths of that of the United States. The economic gap between China and the United States continued to narrow.

In 2021, China's GDP was RMB114.4 trillion (amounting to approximately US\$17.7 trillion), representing an 8.1% increase year-on-year, and the two-year average growth rate was 5.1%. From the perspective of four quarters, GDP increased by 18.3% on a year-on-year basis in the first quarter, 7.9% in the second, 4.9% in the third and 4.0% in the fourth; the two-year average growth rates were 5.0%, 5.5%, 4.9% and 5.2%, respectively. From the main economic data, in 2021, various economic indicators further recovered from the low base in 2020, with only two exceptions, namely real estate investment and infrastructure investment. In 2021, these two traditional stable growth momentums were showing a slowdown in growth rate, and the two-year average growth rate was notably lower than 2019 level before the pandemic; the two-year average annual rate in real estate investment dropped to 5.7% from 9.9% in 2019, and the two-year average growth rate in infrastructure investment decreased from 3.3% to 1.8%. Meanwhile, the two-year average growth rates of the following were beyond pre-pandemic levels: industrial added value (especially high-tech industries), export delivery value, and manufacturing investments. One of these major engines was strong external demand, which drove up domestic industrial production and manufacturing investments; moreover, domestic green transition and the tackling of technology difficulties boosted manufacturing investments. Under the impact of the pandemic, commodities, food consumption and service production has yet to recover to pre-pandemic growth rates. From how the two-year average growth rate of the total retailing amount of domestic consumer goods has not risen further since 2021, we can still draw the conclusion that the consumption recovery is lackluster.

In general, China's total economic growth slowed down, while at the same time, the structural transformation had prominent features. Though the pull of external demand on China's economy was relatively stable, the slowdown of real estate investments dragged down capital formation, and the problem of weak consumption growth proposed challenges to China's economy's higher reliance on internal circulation in the future.

The Group has been actively responding to the Chinese government's and the Hong Kong SAR government's continued approach to promote financial technology ("FinTech") development, and made great efforts in exploring the methodology of enhancing its business model and creating new value for the Group. While maintaining our real estate business and financing services business, the Group actively collaborated with leading FinTech companies in the market and grasped every opportunity to develop in the FinTech market. For instance, we invested in ZhongAn Online P & C Insurance Co., Ltd. ("ZhongAn Online") (stock code: 6060), with whom we established a joint venture, ZhongAn Technologies International Group Limited ("ZhongAn International").

For the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group's revenue was HK\$432.2 million, increasing by 12% as compared to last year. Gross profit was HK\$268.8 million, increasing by 17% as compared to last year. The Company recorded profit attributable to the owners of the Company of HK\$190.7 million during the year, comparing to a loss of HK\$453.1 million to last year. Basic earnings per share amounted to HK3.34 cents, comparing to a restated basic loss per share of HK11.07 cents to last year.

PROPERTY RENTAL

For the year ended 31 December 2021, total rental income amounted to HK\$212.4 million, representing an increase of 23% as compared to last year. Due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, rental income recorded from investment properties dropped last year due to rent concession granted to tenants with an aim to help them to overcome the challenging situation, while rental income gradually recovered during this year.

The aforesaid rental income was mainly contributed by our commercial property portfolio, composed of *The Vi City*, *Sinolink Garden Phase One to Four* and *Sinolink Tower*.

Sinolink Tower

Located in the Luohu district in Shenzhen, *Sinolink Tower*, composed of the hotel and office complex of Sinolink Garden Phase Five, has a total gross floor area ("GFA") of approximately 50,000 square meters, of which hotel space occupies 30,000 square meters and office space occupies 20,000 square meters.

As of 31 December 2021, the occupancy rate of the office portion of *Sinolink Tower* was approximately 55%. Tenants are mainly engaged in jewelry, investment and real estate business.

O Hotel, the Group's first hotel that is dedicated to delivering a personalized experience, has 188 rooms and suites, a trendy restaurant, a specialty coffee shop, a premium fitness club and other facilities. During the year, the hotel continued to operate in a challenging business environment. After the outbreak of the COVID-19 epidemic and the implementation of epidemic prevention and control policies, *O Hotel*, as a feature hotel under our proprietary brand, still experienced a low occupancy rate. The management has adopted measures for more stringent cost control and better services to improve the overall performance of the hotel.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

PROPERTIES UNDER DEVELOPMENT

As at 31 December 2021, the Group has the following properties under development:

1. *Rockbund*

Located at the Bund in Shanghai, Rockbund is an integrated property project jointly developed by the Group and The Rockefeller Group International, Inc. The project has a total site area of 18,000 square meters with a GFA of 94,080 square meters, and comprises of the repairs and operation of heritage buildings, and the construction of some new structures. The Group intends to redevelop the historical site and structures into an upscale mixed-use neighborhood with residential, commercial, retail, food and beverages, offices and cultural facilities. The preserved heritage buildings have already commenced operation and have been leased out. The foundation of the new building structures have been completed, with structural works well under way. The entire project is expected to commence operation gradually upon completion of the construction in 2022.

2. *Ningguo Mansions*

Located in the Changning District of Shanghai, Ningguo Mansions is a residential project currently in the construction and inspection phase. The project, with a total site area of 13,599.6 square meters and a plot ratio of 1.0, will be developed into 11 quadrangle courtyards boasting a fusion of Chinese and Western cultures, each with a GFA of 1,000 to 1,500 square meters. David Chipperfield Architects, a British architecture design company, is in charge of the construction, decoration and design of the project. Situated in one of the most accessible, low-density and tranquil luxury neighborhoods in Shanghai, Ningguo Mansions is approximately 10-minute and 30-minute ride away from the airport and the downtown respectively.

The project is currently undergoing inspection, with 4 luxuriously decorated buildings and 7 bare shells, and the landscaping work is undergoing subsequent improvement and inspection. Later, appropriate operational arrangements will be made based on market demand and the actual conditions.

FINANCING SERVICES BUSINESS

Financing services business are principally engaged in provision of efficient financial leasing solutions and multiple consultancy services, to satisfy technology and new economy companies' demands for financial services at different stages of development.

For the year ended 31 December 2021, the interest income from financing services business amounted to HK\$23.0 million (2020: HK\$22.2 million). As at 31 December 2021, other loans receivables to independent third parties are unsecured, carried at fixed interest rate ranged from 4.0% to 7.0% (2020: 4.9% to 6.0%) per annum and will be matured in 2022 to 2023 (2020: 2021 to 2023). Due to the impacts on various sectors from the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic and the delay in resumption of work and production of the enterprises, we made continuous efforts to enhance risk management of the financial leasing and factoring business.

We believe that there are new opportunities within the challenges arising from the COVID-19 pandemic. Although the clients affected by the pandemic are faced with increasing liquidity risks in the short term, which may impose downward pressure on the Group's asset quality and in turn impact its short-term operating results to a certain extent, we are confident that with improvement in the situation for mid to long-run, enterprises with high growth will gradually recover from liquidity shortage and remain favorable in the market, to which the Group will pay close attention. We will take proactive measures to tackle the new challenges brought by the complex situation.

OTHER BUSINESSES

Other businesses within the Group include property, facility and project management services. For the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group recorded a revenue of HK\$196.8 million from other businesses, representing an increase of 8% during the year.

JOINT VENTURE – ZHONGAN INTERNATIONAL

The Company entered into the joint venture agreement with ZhongAn Information and Technology Services Co., Ltd. (“ZhongAn Technology”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of ZhongAn Online, pursuant to which the Company and ZhongAn Technology agreed to jointly invest in ZhongAn International to enable the Company to partner with ZhongAn Technology to explore international business development, collaboration and investment opportunities in the areas of FinTech and Insurtech in overseas markets. Pursuant to the Joint Venture Agreement dated 8 December 2017, the Company and ZhongAn Technology owned 49% and 51% of the voting interest in ZhongAn International, respectively.

On 29 April 2021, the Company entered into the subscription agreement with ZhongAn Technology and ZhongAn International, pursuant to which the Company conditionally agreed to subscribe for, and ZhongAn International conditionally agreed to allot and issue, an aggregate of 500,000,000 new redeemable preference shares of ZhongAn International for a total subscription price of RMB500,000,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$600,197,000) in cash (“Subscription Agreement”). Details of which are set out in the circular dated 9 August 2021.

The Subscription Agreement was completed on 3 May 2021. ZhongAn International have the right to redeem from the Group all or any portion of redeemable preference shares within 5 years from the date of the issuance of redeemable preference shares (whose term shall be renewed automatically every 5 years, subject to any veto by any of the Group or ZhongAn Technology) at the amount of the redeemable preference shares attributable to the Group plus an interest rate of 5.5% per annum on the price redeemed calculated from the date of the relevant contribution by the Group on pro-rata basis. The Group did not have any voting rights from redeemable preference shares and did not have any right to receive dividend from ZhongAn International. In the event of a return of capital, liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of ZhongAn International, the Group shall be entitled to receive in cash, the amount of contribution attributable to the then issued redeemable preference shares and the amount of revenue as of the day on which any of the above incidents happens. As the rights and obligations of the ownership over redeemable preference shares are different from the ownership of ordinary shares of ZhongAn International, the Group’s investment in redeemable preference shares is accounted for in accordance with HKFRS 9 and measured at FVTPL. Upon completion, the voting interests held by the Company and ZhongAn Technology in the joint venture shall remain 49% and 51%, respectively. As at 31 December 2021, the fair value of redeemable preference shares amounted to approximately HK\$633.5 million (2020: nil), representing 5% of the Group’s total assets. There were no realized gain or loss or dividend received during the year ended 31 December 2021. The unrealised fair value gain on other financial assets at FVTPL amounted approximately HK\$21.9 million for the year ended 31 December 2021.

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On 27 October 2021, the Company entered into the Share Purchase Agreement with ZhongAn Technology, ZhongAn International, Warrior Treasure Limited (“Warrior”) and AIA VCC for a/c of AIA Opportunities Fund - Venture Capital 2021 (“Opportunities Fund”), pursuant to which, among other things, the Company has conditionally agreed to subscribe for 74,212,258 new ZhongAn International Ordinary Shares for a subscription price of approximately US\$49 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$381.6 million). The dilution of the interests in ZhongAn International resulted in a gain of approximately HK\$309.2 million, being the difference between the proportionate share of ZhongAn International’s net assets attributable to the Group and the carrying amount of the interests in ZhongAn International before the dilution, recognised in the profit or loss during the year ended 31 December 2021. All investors have conducted closing on 23 November 2021. ZhongAn Technology, the Company, Warrior and Opportunities Fund hold approximately 45.15%, approximately 43.21%, approximately 8.67% and approximately 2.97% voting interests of the joint venture, respectively.

ZhongAn International and its subsidiaries provide technology developments and technology consulting services to customers; virtual banking services to its customers and insurance business.

As at 31 December 2021, carrying amount of the Group’s interest in ZhongAn International amounted to approximately HK\$1,069 million, representing 9% of the Group’s total assets. As at 31 December 2021, the Company held 1,103,212,258 ordinary shares and the voting interest in ZhongAn International was 43.21% (31 December 2020: 49%). The original cost is approximately HK\$1,538 million. For the year ended 31 December 2021, there was no dividend received from ZhongAn International.

Business Review and Outlook

The Board acknowledges that ZhongAn International, as a FinTech company, will take time to build and require substantial upfront investment in development of hardware and underlying technologies before it is capable of generating profit. The FinTech industry is fast-growing, and it is believed that the industry may dramatically alter the financial services model in the coming decade. The Board considers that the investment by the Company in ZhongAn International is a long-term investment and believes that the performance of ZhongAn International will improve over the next few years. Given the considerable impact of FinTech and Hong Kong government’s continuing support for the industry, the Board considers its investment in ZhongAn International presents numerous opportunities which are beneficial to the Company.

By providing additional working capital and enhancing financial flexibility to ZhongAn International, the Company is expected to further facilitate its business process of exploring international business development, cooperation and investment opportunities in FinTech and Insurtech in overseas markets. In respect of the expansion plan of the Company’s FinTech business, the FinTech business is conducted through ZhongAn Bank Limited, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of ZhongAn International. ZhongAn International will help the Company optimize its investment objectives and strategies.

In October 2021, ZhongAn International received a capital injection of approximately US\$232 million from investors including AIA Group’s subsidiary Opportunities Fund and Warrior, becoming a local FinTech unicorn in Hong Kong with huge potential in future development.

For the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group’s share of loss of ZhongAn International was HK\$353.5 million (for the year ended 31 December 2020: loss of HK\$243.3 million), which was mainly attributable to the upfront development costs of ZhongAn International.

ZA Bank Limited (“ZA Bank”)

ZhongAn International actively participates in FinTech innovation in Hong Kong, and ZA Bank became one of the first banks in Hong Kong to be granted a virtual banking license on 27 March 2019. On 24 March 2020, ZA Bank officially became the first virtual bank in Hong Kong, providing Hong Kong residents with breakthrough banking products and services.

With its innovative and safe products and services, within just two years of its official opening, ZA Bank has won the trust and support from users, becoming the first virtual bank in Hong Kong. As of 31 December 2021, the number of customers of ZA Bank exceeded 500,000, representing approximately 6% of Hong Kong’s population. ZA Bank became the largest virtual bank in Hong Kong in terms of the scale of customers. Meanwhile, the balance of deposits reached HK\$7 billion, and the balance of loans increased by approximately four times year-on-year to approximately HK\$2.5 billion.

In addition, ZA Bank is also one of the virtual banks with the most complete local products, providing users with innovative deposit, loan, transfer, consumption, insurance and commercial banking services.

In March 2021, ZA Bank officially entered the commercial banking business to assist small and medium-sized enterprises in different industries in Hong Kong to develop business opportunities. It also participated in the “SME Financing Guarantee Scheme” launched by HKMC Insurance Limited to help small and medium-sized enterprises calmly cope with the operational challenges brought by the epidemic. In May 2021, ZA Bank took advantage of the dual licenses of ZhongAn International to work with ZA Life Limited, a digital-only insurer under ZhongAn International, to create a brand-new insurance experience for users through the ZA Bank App.

As a rapidly growing new bank, ZA Bank is committed to taking care of users’ comprehensive financial needs. In January 2022, ZA Bank has become the first virtual bank in Hong Kong to be granted a Type 1 regulated activity (dealing in securities) license by the Securities and Futures Commission, and is ready to further upgrade users’ investment and wealth management experience.

ZA Life Limited (“ZA Life” or “ZA Insure”)

In May 2020, ZA Life, the joint venture between ZhongAn International and Fubon Life Insurance (Hong Kong) Company Limited, obtained a digital-only insurer license from the Hong Kong Insurance Authority under its Fast Track pilot scheme. Under the business name of ZA Insure, it has launched a variety of basic life and medical insurance.

In May 2021, ZA Insure launched the cheapest voluntary health insurance “Standard Plan” in Hong Kong - “ZA VHIS”, allowing users to obtain comprehensive medical coverage at an inclusive price. In December, ZA Insure launched a savings protection with a guaranteed average rate of return of up to 2.5% per year through the ZA Bank App - “ZA Savings Insurance”, and worked with ZA Bank to achieve another breakthrough in product innovation.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

ZA Tech Global Limited (“ZA Tech”)

ZhongAn International, in collaboration with SoftBank Vision Fund Phase 1, established ZA Tech to export ZhongAn’s cutting-edge technology solutions to overseas markets. ZA Tech focuses on providing comprehensive innovative digital solutions to insurance companies and Internet companies, redefining the insurance value chain and Internet ecology with technology.

Currently, ZA Tech has made outstanding achievements in the field of Insurtech in many Asian markets, with footprints in Japan, Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia, and has further expanded to Vietnam, Thailand and the Philippines, etc. With cutting-edge solutions, extensive industry knowledge and accumulated experience in Asia, ZA Tech has become the best technology partner for insurance companies and Internet companies to assist them in digital transformation and innovative growth.

ZA Tech has reached cooperation agreements with companies such as Grab Holdings Inc., a leading platform in Southeast Asia; and OVO, a leading E-wallet platform in Indonesia. In addition, ZA Tech announced in December 2020 that it has become a regional technology partner with AIA Group to help AIA accelerate digitalization, reach new customer groups, and fill users’ protection needs.

In March 2021, ZA Tech and PFI Mega Life, a joint venture operated by Prudential Financial Group in Indonesia, became partners, leveraging ZA Tech’s technological expertise to jointly create insurance products and digital solutions, and jointly promoting the digital transformation of the local insurance industry.

In October 2021, ZA Tech announced a technology partnership with Muang Thai Life, one of Thailand’s largest life and health insurers. Empowered by ZA Tech’s “Nano” software-as-a-service (SaaS) solution, Muang Thai Life will simplify and accelerate product development cycles and go-to-market strategies to respond to the ever-changing needs of users.

In November 2021, ZA Tech announced a joint venture with Klook, the world’s leading leisure travel booking platform, to provide consumers around the world with richer and more convenient travel-related insurance. ZA Tech will export its self-developed technology solution “Fusion” to Klook, equip the platform with related technologies, and create a smooth digital experience for travelers and partners in the ecosystem.

MAJOR ASSOCIATE – ROCKEFELLER GROUP ASIA PACIFIC, INC.

The Group’s investment in Rockefeller Group Asia Pacific, Inc. (“RGAP”) has recognized a net loss of HK\$56.2 million, representing current year fair value loss of HK\$210.1 million and reversal of portion of share of loss of HK\$153.8 million, in respect of investment in RGAP being recognised in the profit or loss during the year ended 31 December 2021.

A fair value loss of HK\$210.1 million (for the year ended 31 December 2020: HK\$314.5 million) is recognised in current year’s profit or loss stemming from loan receivables from RGAP (which constituting as part of the total investment in RGAP) and amounts due from RGAP.

According to Hong Kong Accounting Standard 28 “Investments in Associates”, when the Group’s share of losses of an associate exceeds the Group’s interest in that associate (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group’s net investment in the associate), the Group discontinues recognising its share of further losses. Accordingly, for the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group recorded reversal of share of loss of an associate, RGAP, of HK\$153.8 million (for the year ended 31 December 2020: share of loss of HK\$1.3 million), in respect of the Rockbund project.

LOAN RECEIVABLE FROM ASSOCIATES

The loan receivable is an investment in RGAP by way of a shareholder's loan used for financing the *Rockbund* project, constituting a part of the total investment of the Group in RGAP. As the loan receivable is in fact a net investment, the Group has recognized its share of loss of RGAP in excess of the investment cost against the loan receivable. Since HKFRS 9 became effective on 1 January 2018, the loan receivable from RGAP is measured at fair value through profit or loss. The directors considered that the investment is a long-term investment, which should be classified into a non-current asset accordingly.

According to HKFRS 9, the loan receivable from associates, as well as the amounts due from associates, represent an investment in the project of RGAP; hence these amounts are not held within a business model whose objective is to collect contractual cash flows. The loan receivable from associates as well as the amounts due from associates are both measured at fair value through profit or loss. The directors of the Company assessed the fair value of the loan receivable from associates and amounts due from associates by taking into consideration the estimated future cash flows and timing of such cash flows discounted at market interest rate.

As at 31 December 2021, the directors of the Company reassessed the fair value of such investment amount after taking into consideration and the discounted estimated future cash flow and time based on the original actual flows of the loan. The fair value loss of HK\$210.1 million (for the year ended 31 December 2020: HK\$314.5 million) is recognised in profit or loss during the year ended 31 December 2021.

SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT

As at 31 December 2021, total equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income amounted to HK\$2,042.1 million (31 December 2020: HK\$2,528.9 million), mainly representing that of ZhongAn Online held by the Group of approximately HK\$1,852.0 million (31 December 2020: HK\$2,334.6 million), which was measured at fair value at the end of the reporting period. As at 31 December 2021, the significant investment of the Group are as follows:

Name of Significant investment	Number of shares held as at 31 December 2021	Percentage of shareholding as at 31 December 2021	Unrealized	Realized	Dividends received for the year ended 31 December 2021	Approximate percentage of the Group's total asset as at 31 December 2021	Cost of investment	Market value*
			fair value gain (loss) recognized in other comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2021	fair value gain (loss) recognized in other comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2021				as at 31 December 2021
		%	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	%	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Hong Kong listed shares								
- ZhongAn Online (Stock code: 6060)	81,000,000	5.51	(543,694)	-	-	15	92,000	1,851,996

* In 2020, ZhongAn Online obtained the approval for full circulation of its converted H shares, and the H share full circulation shares is subject to lock-up mechanisms. In valuation of the fair value of its investment in ZhongAn Online, the Group has taken into account the aforesaid lock-up mechanisms on the H shares of ZhongAn Online.

ZhongAn Online is an online Insurtech company, incorporated in the PRC with limited liability and is a joint stock company engaged in Fintech business, which provides internet insurance services, insurance information technology services and online banking services to customers.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The performance and prospects of the Group's significant investment during the year are detailed below:

During the year ended 31 December 2021, the gross written premiums of ZhongAn Online was approximately RMB20,480 million, a year-on-year increase of approximately 22.6%; the net profit attributable to owners of the parent company was approximately RMB1,165 million, a year-on-year increase of approximately 110.3%.

Of all the industries, we consider that the FinTech industry has the greatest development potential. FinTech has experienced rapid development over the past several years, and this technology is continuously being applied to various financial service scenarios, which not only increases the efficiency of the financial service industry, but also provides the general public with more products and service options.

As the first internet-based Insurance + Technology ("Insurtech") company in China, ZhongAn Online upheld the mission of "empowering the finance business with technologies and providing insurance services with a caring hand". ZhongAn Online embraced the two-winged growth strategy of "Insurance + Technology", and adhered to integrating technologies into the whole insurance value chain. By empowering the insurance value chain with technologies and adopting an ecosystem-oriented approach, ZhongAn Online focuses on the Internet life from the customer end through self-operated channels and over 300 platforms operated by its ecosystem partners, in order to meet the diversified protection demands of customers and create value for them. ZhongAn Online proved and upgraded its technology strength in the operation of its insurance business, and aims to enable the Internet insurance industry chain to export Insurtech and facilitate the digital transformation of the industry.

In the future, ZhongAn Online, as a pioneer in the Insurtech and FinTech industry, will utilize its experience accumulated in Insurtech sector in the PRC to release the synergetic value of various ecosystems, and grow along with the industry with openness and long-term win-win as its goal.

RIGHTS ISSUE

References are made to the Company's announcement dated 6 January 2021 and circulars dated 11 February 2021 and 19 March 2021. Capitalized terms used in this report shall have the same meanings stated in the above announcement and circulars. The Company implemented the Rights Issue on the basis of four Rights Shares for every five (5) ordinary shares in issue at the Subscription Price of HK\$0.28 per Rights Share to raise up to approximately HK\$793.2 million by way of issuing up to 2,832,890,264 Rights Shares. The reasons for the Rights Issue were (i) to prepare for further investment into the FinTech business through ZhongAn International; (ii) to reduce the debt level; and (iii) as additional working capital for the Group.

The Subscription Price of HK\$0.28 per Rights Share represented (i) discount of 42.86% to the closing price of HK\$0.49 per Share on 5 January 2021 being the last full trading day for the Shares before the release of joint announcement by the Company dated 6 January 2021 (the "Last Trading Day"); and (ii) a discount of approximately 45.21% to the average of the closing prices per Share as quoted on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") for five previous consecutive trading days up to and including the Last Trading Day of HK\$0.51. The closing price per Share on 6 January 2021 (being the date on which the terms of Rights Issue were fixed) is HK\$0.475.

The Rights Issue was approved by the shareholders of the Company at the special general meeting on 8 March 2021.

Use of proceeds from the Rights Issue

The Company completed the Rights Issue on 15 April 2021. The Company issued and allotted 2,832,890,264 shares at HK\$0.28 per Rights Share on the basis of four Rights Shares for every five ordinary shares held in issue. The net price is approximately HK\$0.278. The net proceeds from the Rights Issue (after deducting expenses) are approximately HK\$788.2 million.

As of 31 December 2021, the intended use and actual use of the net proceeds from the Rights Issue, as well as the unutilized net proceeds therefrom are as follows:

	Intended use of proceeds from the Rights Issue <i>HK\$' million</i>	Actual use of net proceeds as at 31 December 2021 <i>HK\$' million</i>	Unutilized net proceeds as at 31 December 2021 <i>HK\$' million</i>
Repayment of external debts	118.2	118.2	—
Further investment into the FinTech business of the Group	591.2	591.2	—
General working capital	78.8	69.1	9.7
Total	788.2	778.5	9.7

The unutilized net proceeds from the Rights Issue was used according to the intended use as disclosed in the circular of the Company dated 11 February 2021. As at the date hereof, the net proceeds have been fully utilized.

PROSPECTS

Looking forward to 2022, the global economic growth rate may slow down to 4.5~4.8%, and the growth rate of major economies will also decline. On a basic level, it is impossible to completely end the epidemic in 2022, but through the characteristics of normalization, repeated waves, lower fatality rate, and overall slowdown, its impact on the economy will gradually decrease. The tightening trend of global monetary policies has also been clear, and the US Federal Reserve may start raising interest rates in mid-2022. In the case of tight monetary policies in developed economies, especially the expectation of raised interest rates by the US Federal Reserve, other emerging economies will also adopt interest rate hike strategies in advance to prevent a series of risks brought by capital outflows.

In 2022, the momentum of China's economic growth will also face greater challenges: First, the external demand affects the chain of domestic exports-industrial production-manufacturing investment, and the return of exports from high prosperity to normal in 2022 may pose a challenge. Second, the monthly growth rate of real estate investment in December 2021 turned negative, showing a stalled decline. Due to continuous negative growth in sales of real estate, on 17 January 2022, the central bank lowered the MLF and opened market operation interest rates of 10bp, and the 5-year LPR quotation on 20 January is expected to be simultaneously lowered by 5-10bp, which is an important part of stabilizing real estate. Third, what the stock market first reflects is that it is doubtful of whether the expectation of strong growth in infrastructure investment in early 2022 can be achieved. In 2022, investment in new infrastructure, major projects, and affordable housing will increase at an accelerated rate, and the growth rate of infrastructure investment is expected to rise, but its sustainability and magnitude should not be overestimated. Fourth, the decline in the growth rate of residents' income has become a more important constraint on consumption recovery.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

With the introduction of the top-level design of the “dual carbon” policy, current constraints on the supply side of China’s economy were alleviated, resulting in a better balance between economic growth and green transformation. Alongside the improved mid-stream and downstream profit as a result of pull back of bulk commodity prices, both of these aspects will provide support to the stability of China’s economy in 2022. However, on the demand side, in addition to manufacturing investment, the constraints on economic recovery are becoming more and more obvious. It is necessary to take multiple measures in monetary, fiscal and industrial policies to prevent the economy from entering the continuous downward of “reduced total demand, weakened consumption capacity of residents, declining willingness of enterprises to invest, and further decreased demand”.

Of all the industries, we consider that the FinTech industry has the greatest development potential. FinTech has experienced rapid development over the past several years, and this technology is continuously being applied to various financial service scenarios, which not only increases the efficiency of the financial service industry, but also provides the general public with more products and service options. In particular, amidst the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic at the beginning of the year, technology helped to change and improve our lifestyle by providing faster and more convenient services and experiences. We witnessed rapid improvement in the potential and room for development in technology, which in turn offers more opportunities and greater value.

In terms of business development, while striving to balance the profitability and growth of the existing business, we will also spare no effort in exploring new development opportunities. The Group will continue to ride on the development momentum of the FinTech industry in the future, and hope that proper resource allocation and effective management can provide a business development for the Group’s stable growth and bring long-term values for shareholders.

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The Group’s total borrowings was HK\$955 million as at 31 December 2021 (31 December 2020: HK\$753.1 million). As at 31 December 2021, the Group’s gearing ratio, calculated on the basis of total borrowings over shareholders’ equity, was 12.6% as compared with 11.2% as at 31 December 2020. The Group remained financially strong with a net cash position.

At 31 December 2021, pledged bank deposits of HK\$930,275,000 (31 December 2020: HK\$846,038,000) and investment properties of HK\$563,570,000 (2020: nil), were pledged to banks to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group. The borrowings of the Group are denominated in HK\$. As the entire operation of the Group is carried out in the PRC, substantial receipts and payments in relation to operation are denominated in RMB. No financial instruments have been used for hedging purposes; however, the Board will continue to evaluate and closely monitor the potential impact of RMB and interest rate fluctuation on the Group.

The Group’s cash and bank balances amounted to HK\$2,974.4 million (including structured deposits, bank deposits, pledged bank deposits, and cash and cash equivalents) as at 31 December 2021, mostly denominated in RMB, HK\$ and USD.

CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

As at 31 December 2021, the Group had commitments of HK\$28.8 million in respect of properties under development.

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 31 December 2021, guarantees offered to banks as security for the mortgage loans arranged for the Group's property buyers amounted to HK\$8.6 million.

EVENT AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

Subsequent to 31 December 2021, ZhongAn Technology has subscribed for new ordinary shares of ZhongAn International, and thus the Group's equity interests in ZhongAn International is decreased from 43.21% to 41.5%.

This is a non-adjusting event after the financial year end and does not result in any adjustments to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021. The directors of the Company are in the process of assessing the impact on the consolidated financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2022.

FINAL DIVIDEND

In order to retain resources for the Group's business development, the Board does not recommend payment of a final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2021 (2020: Nil).

EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICIES

As at 31 December 2021, the Group employed approximately 664 full time employees for its principal activities. The Group recognizes the importance of high calibre and competent staff, and continues to provide remuneration packages to employees with reference to prevailing market practices and individual performance. Other various benefits, such as medical and retirement benefits, are also provided. In addition, share options may be granted to eligible employees of the Group in accordance with the terms of the approved share option scheme.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company has an audit committee (the "Audit Committee") which was established in accordance with the requirements of the Listing Rules for the purposes of reviewing and providing supervision over the Group's financial reporting process and internal controls. The Audit Committee comprises three independent non-executive directors, namely, Mr. Tian Jin, Dr. Xiang Bing and Mr. Xin Luo Lin. The Audit Committee meets regularly with the Company's senior management and the Company's auditor to consider the Company's financial reporting process, effectiveness of internal controls, audit process and risk management.

The annual results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2021 had been reviewed by the Audit Committee.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

The annual general meeting of the Company (the “AGM”) was scheduled to be held on Tuesday, 31 May 2022. The notice of AGM will be published on the Company’s website at www.sinolinkhk.com and the designated website of the Stock Exchange at www.hkexnews.hk in due course.

The register of members of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 26 May 2022 to Tuesday, 31 May 2022, both days inclusive, during which period no share transfer will be effected. In order to identify the entitlement for attending the AGM, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company’s branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen’s Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 25 May 2022.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Mr. Xiang Ya Bo, aged 65, was appointed as the chairman of the board of directors of the Company (the “Chairman”) and a member of remuneration committee and nomination committee of the Company on 28 June 2017. He was appointed as an executive director of the Company in 2011 and the chief executive officer in August 2013. Mr. Xiang is the chairman and the general manager of Sinolink Properties Limited, a subsidiary of the Company. He is a brother of Mr. Ou Yaping, a non-executive director and a substantial shareholder of the Company and is an uncle of Mr. Ou Jin Yi Hugo, a non-executive director of the Company. He graduated with an engineering degree. Mr. Xiang has over 36 years of experience in the field of corporate management, investment management and technical administration on computer technologies and e-commerce. Mr. Xiang has not held any directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years.

Mr. Chen Wei, aged 60, was appointed as an executive director of the Company in December 1997. He holds a Bachelor of Engineering Management degree from the Beijing Institute of Technology in the People’s Republic of China (the “PRC”). Mr. Chen was previously employed by a number of large organisations and has over 36 years of experience in engineering, business administration, market development and management. Mr. Chen joined the Group in February 1992 and is responsible for the overall business development, management and strategic planning of the Group. Mr. Chen has not held any directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years.

NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Mr. Ou Jin Yi Hugo, aged 30, was appointed as a non-executive director of the Company in January 2016. He was appointed as a non-executive director of ZhongAn Online P & C Insurance Co., Ltd. (SEHK: 6060) (“ZhongAn Online”), a company whose shares are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”), on 3 July 2017 and was re-designated as an executive director on 27 November, 2017. He is also a member of strategy and investment decision committee of ZhongAn Online. He obtained a Bachelor’s degree in East Asian Studies from Princeton University. Mr. Hugo Ou worked as an associate of the investment team at Thrive Capital. Mr. Hugo Ou had served as an investment manager and the deputy director of the Corporate Development Department of the Company from 2010 to 2012 and 2012 to 2015, respectively. He has extensive experience in reviewing residential and commercial property development deals in the United States and portfolio managing of public and private equities, including stocks, bonds, startups, and private equity firms. Mr. Hugo Ou is a son of Mr. Ou Yaping who is a non-executive director and substantial shareholder of the Company. Mr. Hugo Ou is also a nephew of Mr. Xiang Ya Bo, the Chairman, chief executive officer and an executive director of the Company. Save as disclosed above, Mr. Hugo Ou has not held any directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years.

Mr. Ou Yaping, aged 60, was appointed as the Chairman and an executive director of the Company in December 1997 and re-designated as a non-executive director and resigned as the Chairman and a member of remuneration committee of the Company in August 2013. Mr. Ou is the founder of the Group and the substantial shareholder of the Company. He is the chairman, executive director, a member of nomination and remuneration management committee and chairman of strategy and investment decision committee of ZhongAn Online, a company whose shares are listed on the Stock Exchange. Mr. Ou holds a Bachelor of Engineering Management degree from the Beijing Institute of Technology in the PRC. Mr. Ou is a brother of Mr. Xiang Ya Bo, an executive director, the Chairman and chief executive officer of the Company and the father of Mr. Ou Jin Yi Hugo, a non-executive director of the Company. He is also the director and shareholder of Asia Pacific Promotion Limited, a substantial shareholder of the Company, whose interest in shares of the Company is disclosed in the section of “Substantial Shareholder and Other Persons” in this annual report. Save as disclosed above, Mr. Ou has not held any directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years.

PROFILES OF DIRECTORS

Mr. Tang Yui Man Francis, aged 59, was appointed as an executive director of the Company in September 2001 and the chief executive officer in 2002 and ceased to act as chief executive officer and appointed as the Chairman and a member of the remuneration committee of the Company in August 2013. Mr. Tang was also appointed as a member of nomination committee of the Company since 27 March 2012. Mr. Tang was re-designated as a non-executive director and ceased to act as the Chairman, a member of remuneration committee and nomination committee of the Company on 28 June 2017. He is currently a director of Sinolink Properties Limited, a subsidiary of the Company. Mr. Tang is the vice general manager of ZhongAn Online, a company whose shares are listed on the Stock Exchange, and was the chief financial officer of ZhongAn Online from 3 July 2017 to 23 March 2020. Mr. Tang holds a Bachelor's degree in Computer Studies from the University of Victoria in Canada and a Master of Business Administration degree from The City University of New York in the United States. Mr. Tang has numerous years of experience in management, accounting and finance. Mr. Tang was responsible for corporate planning, strategic development and financial planning and management of the Group. Mr. Tang has not held any directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years.

INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Mr. Tian Jin, aged 64, was appointed as an independent non-executive director of the Company in May 2005. He is also a member of audit committee and chairman of nomination committee of the Company. Mr. Tian holds a Bachelor of Arts from Hunan University, Master of Arts from Wuhan University and Doctorate in Administration and Management from Auburn University. He is the Principal of Tur Partners LLC effective from 14 November 2011. Before joining Tur Partners LLC, Mr. Tian served as CEO of Morningstar Asia and chairman of Morningstar China and was a lecturer of Hunan University, visiting professor of Auburn University, director of Academic Technology Development of DePaul University, director of Institutional Planning and Research of DePaul University. Mr. Tian has not held any directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years.

Dr. Xiang Bing, aged 60, was appointed as an independent non-executive director of the Company in December 2008. He is also a member of audit committee, remuneration committee and nomination committee of the Company. Dr. Xiang obtained a Doctoral degree in accounting from the University of Alberta in Canada. Dr. Xiang is currently the founding dean and a professor of the Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business (長江商學院). He is an independent non-executive director and a member of audit committee, remuneration committee and nomination committee of Longfor Group Holdings Limited, a company listed on the Stock Exchange. Save as disclosed above, Dr. Xiang has not held any directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years.

Mr. Xin Luo Lin, aged 73, was appointed as an independent non-executive director of the Company in June 2002. He is also the chairman of audit committee and remuneration committee and a member of nomination committee of the Company. Mr. Xin is a postgraduate from the Peking University in PRC. He was a research associate at the Waseda University in Japan, an honorary research associate at the University of British Columbia, Canada and a visiting fellow at the University of Adelaide, Australia from 1984 to 1985. He was appointed as a Justice of the Peace in New South Wales of Australia in 1991. Mr. Xin is a co-author of a book titled "China's iron and steel industry policy: implications for Australia". Mr. Xin is also an independent non-executive director, chairman of remuneration committee and member of audit committee and nomination committee of Central China Real Estate Limited and an independent non-executive director, member of audit committee, remuneration committee and nomination committee of Beijing Sports and Entertainment Industry Group Limited, all are listed companies on the Stock Exchange. Mr. Xin is a director of Daikokuya Holdings Co., Ltd., a public company listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. Save as disclosed above, Mr. Xin has not held any directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years.

The directors of the Company (the “Directors”) present their report and the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The Company acts as an investment holding company. The activities of its principal subsidiaries and associates are set out in notes 43 and 16 respectively to the financial statements.

BUSINESS REVIEW

A fair review of the business of the Company and a discussion and analysis of the Group’s performance during the year and the material factors underlying its results and financial position as well as the outlook of the Company’s business are provided in the “Chairman’s Statement” and “Management Discussion and Analysis” from pages 2 to 4 and pages 5 to 17 of this annual report. An analysis of the Group’s performance during the year using financial key performance indicators is provided in the Financial Summary on page 162 of this annual report. Description of the principal risks and uncertainties facing the Company can be found throughout this annual report particularly in notes 32 and 33 to the consolidated financial statements and the “Management Discussion and Analysis” from pages 5 to 17 of this annual report.

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES AND PERFORMANCE

The Group is subject to certain laws, rule and regulations concerning environmental protection in Hong Kong (“HK”) and PRC including those in relation to the discharge of gaseous waste, liquid waste and solid waste, the disposal of hazardous substances and noise pollution during the construction and development of projects.

The Group emphasizes on complying with relevant environmental laws and regulations and requires its own staff and construction contractors to comply with the relevant laws and regulations relating to the operation and quality of construction including environmental, labour, social and safety regulations, as well as its own standards.

The Directors believe that the Group is compliance in all material respects with applicable environmental laws and regulations in HK and PRC.

The Group recognises environmental protection is of vital importance to the long-term development of the Group. In order to minimise the environmental impact, the Group will continue to review and improve the effectiveness of its management practices from time to time.

A report containing the prescribed information of environmental, social and governance matters will be published on the Company’s website within 5 months from the financial year ended 31 December 2021.

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The Group’s business are mainly carried out by the Company’s subsidiaries established in HK, PRC and the British Virgin Islands while the Company itself is incorporated in Bermuda with its shares listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange. Our establishment and operations accordingly shall comply with relevant laws and regulations in Bermuda, PRC, the British Virgin Islands and HK.

During the year ended 31 December 2021 and up to the date of this report, the Group has complied in material aspects in the relevant applicable laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the businesses and operations of the Group.

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KEY RELATIONSHIPS WITH EMPLOYEES, CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

The Group has always paid great attention to and maintained a good working relationship with its suppliers of construction materials, and has been providing quality professional and customer-oriented services for its regional government, markets and customers. The aforementioned suppliers and customers are good working partners creating value for the Group. The Group also values the knowledge and skills of its employees, and continues to provide favourable career development opportunities for its employees.

The Group has not only been committed to providing safe and premium quality property projects to its tenants but also to improving the urban living environment and quality of life overall. Throughout the life-cycle of the property development projects, the Group persistently places its customers at the center of its products and services.

RESULTS AND APPROPRIATIONS

The results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2021 are set out in the consolidated statement of profit or loss on page 49 of the annual report.

No interim dividend (2020: Nil) was paid to the shareholders of the Company during the year.

The Board does not recommend the payment of a final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2021 (2020: Nil).

DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

Details of the movements in the reserves of the Group during the year are set out in the consolidated statement of changes in equity on page 53 of this annual report.

The Company's reserves available for distribution to shareholders of the Company as at 31 December 2021 amounted to HK\$609,114,000 (2020: HK\$588,810,000).

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

A summary of the results, assets and liabilities of the Group for each of the last five financial years is set out on page 162 of this annual report.

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Details of movements during the year in the property, plant and equipment of the Group are set out in note 14 to the consolidated financial statements.

INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

Details of movements during the year in the investment properties of the Group are set out in note 15 to the consolidated financial statements.

SHARE CAPITAL

Details of movements during the year in the share capital of the Company are set out in note 31 to the consolidated financial statements.

DIRECTORS

The Directors during the year and up to the date of this report were:

Executive Directors:

Xiang Ya Bo (*Chairman and Chief Executive Officer*)
Chen Wei

Non-executive Directors:

Ou Jin Yi Hugo
Ou Yaping
Tang Yui Man Francis

Independent Non-executive Directors:

Tian Jin
Xiang Bing
Xin Luo Lin

In accordance with Bye-law 87(1) of the Bye-laws, Mr. Xiang Ya Bo, Mr. Ou Jin Yi Hugo and Mr. Tang Yui Man Francis will retire by rotation at the forthcoming annual general meeting (the “AGM”). All the above retiring Directors will, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The Company has received annual confirmation from each of the Independent Non-executive Directors as regards their independence to the Company pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the “Listing Rules”) on the Stock Exchange. The Company considers that each of the Independent Non-executive Directors is independent to the Company.

DIRECTORS’ INTERESTS OR SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND SHARE OPTIONS

As at 31 December 2021, the interests and short positions of the Directors and chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporation (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the “SFO”)) which were required pursuant to: (a) divisions 7 to 9 of Part XV of the SFO, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange; (b) Section 352 of Part XV of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein; or (c) the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers, to be notified to the Company were as follows:

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Long positions in shares or underlying shares of the Company

Name of Directors	Capacity	Interest in shares			Total interest in shares	Interest in underlying shares pursuant to share options	Aggregate interest	Approximate percentage of the issued shares of the Company as at 31.12.2021
		Personal interest	Corporate interest	Family interest				
Chen Wei	Beneficial owner	13,500,000	–	–	13,500,000	3,468,000	16,968,000	0.266%
Ou Yaping	Joint interest and interest of controlled corporation	–	3,272,309,301 (Note)	13,113,738	3,285,423,039	–	3,285,423,039	51.54%
Tang Yui Man Francis	Beneficial owner	21,375,000	–	–	21,375,000	40,460,000	61,835,000	0.970%
Tian Jin	Beneficial owner	–	–	–	–	2,312,000	2,312,000	0.036%
Xiang Bing	Beneficial owner	–	–	–	–	2,312,000	2,312,000	0.036%
Xiang Ya Bo	Beneficial owner	–	–	–	–	40,460,000	40,460,000	0.635%
Xin Luo Lin	Beneficial owner	–	–	–	–	2,312,000	2,312,000	0.036%

Note: These 3,272,309,301 shares of the Company are held by Asia Pacific Promotion Limited (“Asia Pacific”), a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, which is wholly-owned by Mr. Ou Yaping. Accordingly, Mr. Ou is deemed to be interested in the shares of the Company held by Asia Pacific under the SFO.

Details of the share options granted by the Directors are set out in the below section headed “Directors’ Rights to Acquire Shares or Debentures of the Company and Associated Corporation”.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2021, none of the Directors or chief executives of the Company had, nor were they taken to or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO, any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any associated corporation or any interests which are required to be entered into the register kept by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO.

DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY AND ASSOCIATED CORPORATION

Pursuant to the Company's share option scheme adopted in 2012, the Company has granted to certain Directors of the Company options to subscribe for the shares of the Company, details of which as at 31 December 2021 were as follows:

Name of Directors	Date of grant	Exercise period	Exercise price HK\$	Number of shares subject to outstanding options as at 1.1.2021	Number of shares subject to outstanding options as at 31.12.2021	Approximate percentage of the issued shares of the Company as at 31.12.2021
Chen Wei	15.05.2015	15.11.2015-14.05.2025	1.185	1,500,000	1,734,000	0.027%
		15.05.2016-14.05.2025	1.185	1,500,000	1,734,000	0.027%
Tang Yui Man Francis	15.05.2015	15.11.2015-14.05.2025	1.185	17,500,000	20,230,000	0.317%
		15.05.2016-14.05.2025	1.185	17,500,000	20,230,000	0.317%
Tian Jin	15.05.2015	15.11.2015-14.05.2025	1.185	1,000,000	1,156,000	0.018%
		15.05.2016-14.05.2025	1.185	1,000,000	1,156,000	0.018%
Xiang Bing	15.05.2015	15.11.2015-14.05.2025	1.185	1,000,000	1,156,000	0.018%
		15.05.2016-14.05.2025	1.185	1,000,000	1,156,000	0.018%
Xiang Ya Bo	15.05.2015	15.11.2015-14.05.2025	1.185	17,500,000	20,230,000	0.317%
		15.05.2016-14.05.2025	1.185	17,500,000	20,230,000	0.317%
Xin Luo Lin	15.05.2015	15.11.2015-14.05.2025	1.185	1,000,000	1,156,000	0.018%
		15.05.2016-14.05.2025	1.185	1,000,000	1,156,000	0.018%

Notes:

1. The vesting period of the share options is from the date of grant until the commencement date of the exercise period.
2. These options represent personal interest held by the Directors as beneficial owners.
3. The exercise price of the above share options has been adjusted from HK\$1.37 to HK\$1.185 as a result of Rights Issue from 15 April 2021.

Other than the share option scheme of the Company mentioned below, at no time during the year was the Company, its holding company, or any of its subsidiaries or fellow subsidiaries, a party to any arrangements to enable the Directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate, and neither the Directors nor the chief executive of the Company, nor any of their spouses or children under the age of 18, had any right to subscribe for the securities of the Company, or had exercised any such right.

SHARE OPTION SCHEME OF THE COMPANY

A share option scheme was adopted by shareholders of the Company on 17 May 2012 (the "Date of Adoption") (the "2012 Share Option Scheme"), under which the Board may, at its discretion, offer any Eligible Persons (as hereinafter mentioned) options to subscribe for shares in the Company subject to the terms and conditions stipulated therein. The 2012 Share Option Scheme has a life of 10 years from the Date of Adoption. The remaining life of the 2012 Share Option Scheme is approximately 1 year.

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The 2012 Share Option Scheme is a share incentive scheme and is established to enable the Group to, (i) recognise and acknowledge the contributions that Eligible Persons have (or may have) made or may make to the Group (whether directly or indirectly); (ii) attract and retain and appropriately remunerate the best possible quality of employees and other Eligible Persons; (iii) motivate the Eligible Persons to optimise their performance and efficiency for the benefit of the Group; (iv) enhance its business, employee and other relations; and/or (v) retain maximum flexibility as to the range and nature of rewards and incentives which the Company can offer to Eligible Persons. The Eligible Persons include (a) any full time or part time employees of the Group or any Directors of the Company or any of its subsidiaries; (b) any customer, supplier or provider of services, landlord or tenant, agent, partner, consultant, or adviser of or a contractor to or person doing business with any member of the Group; (c) trustee of any trust the principal beneficiary of which is, or discretionary trust the discretionary objects of which include, any person referred to (a) or (b) above; (d) a company wholly beneficially owned by any person referred to in (a) or (b) above, and (e) such other persons (or classes of persons) as the Board may in its absolute discretion determine.

The share options are exercisable at any time for a period to be determined by the Directors, which shall not be more than 10 years from the date of grant. The minimum period for which a share option must be held before it can be exercised would be determined by the Board.

The total number of shares of the Company in respect of which options may be granted under the 2012 Share Option Scheme is not permitted to exceed 10% of the shares of the Company in issue on the Date of Adoption ("Scheme Mandate Limit"), without prior approval from the Company's shareholders. The Company may seek approval of its shareholders in general meeting to renew the Scheme Mandate Limit provided that the total number of shares of the Company in respect of which options may be granted under the 2012 Share Option Scheme and any other share option schemes of the Company must not exceed 10% of the shares of the Company in issue as at the date of the approval to renew the Scheme Mandate Limit. The number of shares of the Company in respect of which options may be granted to any Eligible Person in any 12-month period is not permitted to exceed 1% of the shares of the Company in issue at any point in time, without prior approval from the Company's shareholders. In addition, the number of shares of the Company in respect of which options may be granted to any Eligible Person (who is a substantial shareholder or an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company, or any of their associates (within the meaning as ascribed under the Listing Rules)) in any 12-month period is not permitted to exceed 0.1% of the total number of shares in issue and HK\$5,000,000 in an aggregate value, based on the closing price of the shares of the Company at the date of each grant, without prior approval from the Company's shareholders.

The exercise price for the share options under the 2012 Share Option Scheme shall be a price determined by the Board at its sole discretion and notified to the Eligible Persons and shall be no less than the highest of (i) the closing price of the shares of the Company as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the date on which an option is granted, (ii) the average closing price of the shares of the Company as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheets for the 5 business days immediately preceding the date on which an option is granted; and (iii) the nominal value of a share of the Company on the date on which an option is granted.

Consideration of HK\$1 is payable by each Eligible Person for acceptance of a grant of option.

As at the date of this report, a total of 637,400,309 shares (representing approximately 10% of the existing issued shares of the Company), as refreshed by shareholders at the annual general meeting held on 28 May 2021, may be granted under the 2012 Share Option Scheme and a total of 131,784,000 shares (representing approximately 2.07% of the existing issued shares of the Company) may be issued upon exercise of all options which had been granted and yet to be exercised under the 2012 Share Option Scheme.

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Details of specific categories of options are as follows:

Option type	Date of grant	Exercise period	Exercise price HK\$	Adjusted exercise price after Rights Issue HK\$
2015A Option	15.05.2015	15.11.2015-14.05.2025	1.37	1.185
	15.05.2015	15.05.2016-14.05.2025	1.37	1.185
2015B Option	15.05.2015	15.11.2015-14.05.2025	1.37	1.185
	15.05.2015	15.05.2016-14.05.2025	1.37	1.185
	15.05.2015	15.11.2016-14.05.2025	1.37	1.185

The following table discloses movements in the Company's share options granted under the 2012 Share Option Scheme during the year:

Option types	Outstanding at 1.1.2021	Granted during the year	Exercised during the year	Adjusted during the year	Lapsed during the year	Outstanding at 31.12.2021	
<i>Category 1: Directors</i>							
Chen Wei	2015A Option	3,000,000	—	—	468,000	—	3,468,000
Tang Yui Man Francis	2015A Option	35,000,000	—	—	5,460,000	—	40,460,000
Tian Jin	2015A Option	2,000,000	—	—	312,000	—	2,312,000
Xiang Bing	2015A Option	2,000,000	—	—	312,000	—	2,312,000
Xiang Ya Bo	2015A Option	35,000,000	—	—	5,460,000	—	40,460,000
Xin Luo Lin	2015A Option	2,000,000	—	—	312,000	—	2,312,000
Total for Directors		<u>79,000,000</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>12,324,000</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>91,324,000</u>
<i>Category 2: Employees</i>							
	2015B Option	<u>35,000,000</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>5,460,000</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>40,460,000</u>
Total for employees		<u>35,000,000</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>5,460,000</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>40,460,000</u>
All categories		<u><u>114,000,000</u></u>	<u><u>—</u></u>	<u><u>—</u></u>	<u><u>17,784,000</u></u>	<u><u>—</u></u>	<u><u>131,784,000</u></u>

Notes:

- The vesting period of the share options is from the date of grant until the commencement date of the exercise period.
- During the year, no options were granted, exercised, lapsed or cancelled under the 2012 Share Option Scheme.
- The exercise price and the number of shares entitled to be subscribed for under the outstanding share options have been adjusted following the completion of the Rights Issue on 15 April 2021.

Under the terms of the 2012 Share Option Scheme, the Company by resolution in general meeting or the Board may at any time terminate the operation of the 2012 Share Option Scheme and in such event no further options will be offered thereunder but in all other respects the provisions of the 2012 Share Option Scheme shall remain in full force and effect. As the 2012 Share Option Scheme will soon expire, it is proposed by the Directors that at the forthcoming AGM, an ordinary resolution will be proposed to terminate the operation of the 2012 Share Option Scheme and to approve and adopt the new share option scheme in accordance with the Listing Rules (the "New Share Option Scheme"). A summary of the terms of the New Share Option Scheme is set out in the circular of the Company dated 27 April 2022.

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Additional information in relation to the 2012 Share Option Scheme are set out in note 35 to the consolidated financial statements.

EQUITY-LINKED AGREEMENTS

Save as disclosed in this annual report relating to “Share Option Scheme of the Company”, no equity-linked agreements were entered into during the year or subsisted at the end of the year.

PERMITTED INDEMNITY PROVISION

The Bye-Laws of the Company provides that for the time being acting in relation to any of the affairs of the Company, every director shall be indemnified and secured harmless out of the assets and profits of the Company from and against all losses, damages and expenses which he shall or may incur or sustain by or by reason of any act done about the execution of duties of his office or otherwise in relation thereto.

The Company has arranged appropriate directors’ and officers’ liability insurance coverage for the directors and officers of the Group.

DIRECTORS’ SERVICE CONTRACT

There is no unexpired directors’ service contract which is not terminable by the Company within one year of any Director proposed for re-election at the forthcoming AGM.

DIRECTORS’ INTERESTS IN TRANSACTIONS, ARRANGEMENTS OR CONTRACTS OF SIGNIFICANCE

Save as disclosed in this annual report, no transactions, arrangements or contracts of significance to which the Company or any related company (holding companies, subsidiaries, or fellow subsidiaries) was a party and in which a Director or his connected entities had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS AND OTHER PERSONS

So far as is known to any Director or chief executive of the Company, shareholders of the Company (other than Directors or chief executives of the Company) who had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company as at 31 December 2021 which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO were as follows:

Long positions in shares or underlying shares of the Company

Name of shareholder	Capacity/Nature of Interest	Interest in Shares	Interest in Derivatives	Total Interests	Approximate percentage of the Company’s issued shares at 31 December 2021
Asia Pacific (Note)	Beneficial owner/Beneficial interest	3,272,309,301	—	3,272,309,301	51.34%

Note:

The 3,272,309,301 shares of the Company are held by Asia Pacific, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, which is wholly-owned by Mr. Ou Yaping, Non-executive Director of the Company. Accordingly, Mr. Ou is deemed to be interested in the shares of the Company held by Asia Pacific under the SFO. His interests are disclosed in the section headed "Directors' Interests or Short Positions in Shares and Share Options" above.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2021, the Company has not been notified of any other interests or short positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company which had been recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 336 of the SFO.

CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS AND CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

During the year, there were no transactions which need to be disclosed as connected transactions and continuing connected transactions pursuant to Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Details of the related party transactions are set out in note 34 to the consolidated financial statements. Those related party transactions did not constitute connected transactions under the Listing Rules.

MANAGEMENT CONTRACT

No contract concerning the management and administration of the whole or any substantial part of any business of the Company were entered into during the year or subsisted at the end of the year.

DISCLOSURE PURSUANT TO RULE 13.22 OF THE LISTING RULES

As at 31 December 2021, the aggregate amount of financial assistance to associated companies by the Group in aggregate exceeded 8% of the assets ratios as defined in Rule 14.07(1) of the Listing Rules.

In accordance with the requirements under Rule 13.22 of the Listing Rules, a proforma combined statement of financial position of the associated companies as at 31 December 2021 is presented as follows:

	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Non-current assets	6,394,136
Current assets	1,704,563
Current liabilities	(868,024)
Non-current liabilities	<u>(9,244,866)</u>
Net liabilities	<u>(2,014,191)</u>

The Group's attributable interest in the associated companies as at 31 December 2021 comprised net liabilities of HK\$965,092,000.

The proforma combined statement of financial position of the associated companies has been prepared by combining their statements of financial position, after making adjustments to conform with the Group's significant accounting policies as 31 December 2021.

PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on the information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors as at the date of this report, there is sufficient public float of not less than 25% of the Company's issued shares as required under the Listing Rules.

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MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

The percentage of the operating cost attributable to the Group's five largest suppliers was less than 30% during the year. The percentage of the revenue attributable to the Group's five largest customers was less than 30% during the year.

None of the Directors, their close associates or any shareholders, which to the knowledge of the Directors, owned more than 5% of the Company's issued shares, had an interest in the share capital of any of the five largest suppliers and customers.

PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Company's Bye-laws although there are no restrictions against such rights under the laws of Bermuda.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SHARES

There was no purchase, sale or redemption of the Company's listed shares by the Company or any of its subsidiaries for the year ended 31 December 2021.

EMOLUMENT POLICY

The emolument policy of the employees of the Group is set up on the basis of their merit, qualifications and competence.

The emoluments of the Directors are determined having regard to the Company's operating results, individual performance and comparable market statistics. No Director, or any of his associates, and executive is involved in dealing his own remuneration.

The Company has adopted share option scheme as an incentive to Directors and eligible employees, details of the scheme are set out in note 35 to the consolidated financial statements and under the heading "Share Option Scheme of the Company" of this report.

AUDITOR

The consolidated financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2021 have been audited by Messrs. Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu, who will retire as auditor of the Company upon expiration of its term of office at the forthcoming AGM. The Directors proposed to appoint, subject to approval of the shareholders at the forthcoming AGM, Messrs. PricewaterhouseCoopers, Certified Public Accountants, Hong Kong, as the auditor of the Company to hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company.

On behalf of the Board

Sinolink Worldwide Holdings Limited

Xiang Ya Bo

Chairman & Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 24 March 2022

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

Having established a good, credible and dynamic foundation for corporate governance practices in the Company since 2005, the Company continues to ensure the transparency and protection of shareholders' interest, as well as the stakeholders' interests.

The Company has adopted all the code provisions as set out in the Corporate Governance Code (the "Code") set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules as its own corporate governance practices.

The Company understood the importance on sound corporate governance practices and recognized the changing regulatory environment. Therefore, the theme of the corporate governance practices in the Company has gone through an evolving process, from implementing the Code, evaluating the effectiveness of the Code, and responding to the rapid changes and continuous development in our corporate governance practices, if necessary.

During the year, the Company has complied with the code provisions that were in force as set out in the Code in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules save as disclosed below.

Pursuant to code provision A.2.1, the roles of chairman and chief executive should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. During the year, Mr. Xiang Ya Bo has undertaken both the roles of the Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Having considered the current business operation and the size of the Group, the Board is of the view that Mr. Xiang Ya Bo acting as both the Chairman of the Board and also as the Chief Executive Officer of the Company is acceptable and in the best interest of the Group. There are adequate balance of power and safeguards in place. The Board will review and monitor this situation periodically and would ensure that the present structure would not impair the balance of power of the Company.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Composition

The Board currently comprises 8 members (each member of the Board, a "Director"). Mr. Xiang Ya Bo, an Executive Director, acts as the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Other Executive Director is Mr. Chen Wei and Non-executive Directors are Mr. Ou Jin Yi Hugo, Mr. Ou Yaping and Mr. Tang Yui Man Francis. The Company has 3 Independent Non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Tian Jin, Dr. Xiang Bing and Mr. Xin Luo Lin, and all Independent Non-executive Directors possess appropriate professional accounting experience and related financial management expertise and represent at least one-third of the Board.

All Directors have distinguished themselves in their field of expertise, and have exhibited high standards of personal and professional ethics and integrity. The biographical details of each Director are disclosed on pages 18 to 19 of this annual report.

Each of the Independent Non-executive Director has confirmed, in accordance with Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules, that he is independent of the Company and the Company also considers that they are independent.

Save for the family relationship between Mr. Ou Yaping, Mr. Xiang Ya Bo and Mr. Ou Jin Yi Hugo as disclosed in the biographical details on page 18 of this annual report, there is no other relationship (including financial, business, family or other material/relevant relationship) between any other members of the Board and in particular, the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer.

Pursuant to the Bye-laws of the Company (the “Bye-laws”), the Directors shall hold office subject to retirement by rotation at the annual general meeting of the Company at least once every three years. In addition, any Director appointed by the Board during a year, whether to fill a casual vacancy or as additional member to the Board, shall hold office only until the next following general meeting of the Company (in the case of filling a casual vacancy) or until the next following annual general meeting of the Company (in the case of an addition to the Board) and shall then be eligible for re-election in that meeting. The term of office of each Non-executive Director (including the Independent Non-executive Director) is for a period of 1 year from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022 subject to retirement by rotation and re-election in accordance with the Bye-laws.

Responsibilities of the Board and Management

The Board, headed by the Chairman, is responsible for providing high-level guidance and effective oversight of the management of the Company, formulation and approval of the Group’s development, business strategies, policies, annual budgets and business plans, recommendation of any dividend and supervision of management in accordance with the regulations governing the meetings of the Board and the Bye-laws.

The Executive Directors are responsible for day-to-day management of the Company’s operations. The Executive Directors conduct regular meetings with the management of the Group, at which operational issues and financial performance are evaluated.

The Company considers that internal control system and risk management function are essential and that the Board plays an important role in implementing and monitoring internal financial control and risk management.

Matters specifically decided by the Board and those reserved for the management, such as daily management, administration and operation of the Company, etc., are reviewed by the Board on a periodic basis. The management shall report back to the Board.

The procedures to enable the Directors to seek independent professional advice in appropriate circumstances at the Company’s expenses, was established.

The Bye-laws state the responsibilities and operational procedures of the Board. The Board meets at least 4 times a year at regular intervals to consider operational reports and financial results of the Company and policies.

During the year 2021, the Board held 4 regular Board meetings (within the meanings of the Code) at approximately quarterly intervals and 3 Board meetings convened when necessary. Due notice and Board papers were given to all Directors prior to each regular Board meeting in accordance with the Code and the Bye-laws. An annual general meeting was also held during the year. Details of individual attendance of the Directors in respect of 4 regular Board meetings and the annual general meeting are set out below:

	No. of meeting(s) attended	
	Regular Board Meetings	Annual General Meeting
Executive Directors		
Xiang Ya Bo (<i>Chairman and Chief Executive Officer</i>)	4	1
Chen Wei	4	1
Non-executive Directors		
Ou Jin Yi Hugo	4	1
Ou Yaping	4	1
Tang Yui Man Francis	4	1
Independent Non-executive Directors		
Tian Jin	4	1
Xiang Bing	4	1
Xin Luo Lin	4	1

Directors' Induction and Continuous Professional Development

On appointment to the Board, each newly appointed Director receives a comprehensive induction package covering business operations, policy and procedures of the Company as well as the general, statutory and regulatory obligations of being a Director to ensure that he/she is sufficiently aware of his/her responsibilities under the Listing Rules and other relevant regulatory requirements.

The Directors are regularly briefed on the amendments to or updates on the relevant laws, rules and regulations. In addition, the Company has been encouraging the Directors and management to enrol in a wide range of professional development courses and seminars relating to the Listing Rules, companies ordinance/act and corporate governance practices organised by professional bodies, independent auditors and/or chambers in Hong Kong so that they can continuously update and further improve their relevant knowledge and skills.

From time to time, the Directors are provided with written materials to develop and refresh their professional skills. The Company also organises and arranges seminars on the latest development of applicable laws, rules and regulations for the Directors to assist them in discharging their duties. During the year, the Company organised for the Directors and management an in-house workshop on responsibilities of directors of listed companies.

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According to the records maintained by the Company, the Directors received the following training with an emphasis on the roles, functions and duties of a director of a listed company in compliance with the Code on continuous professional development during the year:

	Corporate Governance/Updates on laws, rules and regulations	
	Read materials	Attend briefings/ in-house workshop
Executive Directors		
Xiang Ya Bo (<i>Chairman and Chief Executive Officer</i>)	√	√
Chen Wei	√	√
Non-executive Directors		
Ou Jin Yi Hugo	√	√
Ou Yaping	√	√
Tang Yui Man Francis	√	√
Independent Non-executive Directors		
Tian Jin	√	√
Xiang Bing	√	√
Xin Luo Lin	√	√

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Having considered the current business operation and the size of the Group, the Board is of the view that Mr. Xiang Ya Bo acting as both the Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer of the Company from 28 June, 2017 onward is acceptable and in the best interest of the Group. The Board will review this situation periodically.

The Chairman provides leadership for the Board and oversees the Board so that it acts in the best interests of the Group. The Chairman is responsible for deciding the agenda of each Board meeting, taking into account matters proposed by other Directors. The Chairman has overall responsibility for providing leadership, vision and direction regarding business development of the Group. During the year, the Chairman had held a meeting with the Independent Non-executive Directors without the presence of the Executive Director and the Non-executive Directors.

The Chief Executive Officer, assisted by the other Executive Director, is responsible for the day-to-day business management and operations of the Group for formulating and successfully implementing policies and for maintaining an effective executive support team. The Chief Executive Officer is accountable to the Board for keeping all Directors fully informed of all major business developments and issues.

Responsibilities of Directors

In the course of discharging their duties, the Directors act in good faith, with due diligence and care, and in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders. Their responsibilities include:

- attending regular Board meetings and focusing on business development and strategy, operational issues and financial performance;
- review, approval and the monitoring of all material policies, including risk management, internal control, dividend policy and other significant financial and operational matters;
- active participation on the respective board of directors of the subsidiaries and associated companies of the Company;
- approval of annual budgets and business plan for each operating company covering strategy, financial and business performance, key risks and opportunities;
- monitoring the quality, timeliness, relevance and reliability of internal and external reporting;
- monitoring and managing potential conflicts of interest of senior management, Board and shareholders of the Company;
- considering misuse of corporate assets and abuse of related party transactions; and
- ensuring processes in place to maintain the overall integrity of the Company, including financial statements, relationships with suppliers, customers and other stakeholders, and compliance with all laws and ethics.

To enable the Directors to fulfill their obligations, an appropriate organizational structure is in place with clearly defined responsibilities and limits of authority.

Corporate Governance functions

The Board is responsible for performing the following corporate governance duties as required under the Code:

- to develop and review the Company's policies and practices on corporate governance;
- to review and monitor the training and continuous professional development of the Directors and senior management;
- to review and monitor the Company's policies and practices on compliance with legal and regulatory requirements;
- to develop, review and monitor the code of conduct and compliance manual applicable to employees and the Directors; and
- to review the Company's compliance with the Code and disclosure in the Corporate Governance Report.

During the year, the Board considered the following corporate governance matters:

- review of the policies (including shareholders communication policy, etc.) and practices on corporate governance and compliance with legal and regulatory requirements adopted by the Company, training for the Directors and senior management and code of conduct and compliance manual, etc.;
- review of the compliance with the Code and disclosure of the Corporate Governance Report; and
- review of the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems of the Company with the assistance of the Audit Committee.

Board Committees

A number of committees of the Board, including the Audit Committee, Nomination Committee and Remuneration Committee, have been set up by the Company, with specific terms of reference relating to authority and duties, to strengthen the Board's functions and enhance its expertise.

Remuneration Committee

The Remuneration Committee comprises one Executive Director, being Mr. Xiang Ya Bo, and two Independent Non-executive Directors, being Dr. Xiang Bing and Mr. Xin Luo Lin and is chaired by Mr. Xin Luo Lin.

The terms of reference of the Remuneration Committee have complied with the Code which are posted on the website of the Company at www.sinolinkhk.com.

The Remuneration Committee's responsibilities include reviewing, considering and making recommendations to the Board on (i) the Company's remuneration policy for the Directors and senior management, (ii) remuneration packages for individual Executive Directors and senior management including benefits in kind, pension rights and compensation payments (under code provision B.1.2(c) (ii)), and (iii) remuneration of the Non-executive Directors, etc.

During the year 2021, the Remuneration Committee:

- reviewed the remuneration policy for 2021/2022;
- reviewed the remuneration of the Executive Directors, the Non-executive Directors and the Independent Non-executive Directors and management year-end bonus;
- assessed performance of the Executive Directors, reviewed and approved the services agreement of the Executive Directors; and
- made recommendations to the Board on the above matters.

The Remuneration Committee held 1 meeting during 2021 with individual attendance as follows:

Members of Remuneration Committee	No. of meeting(s) attended
Xin Luo Lin (<i>Chairman of the Remuneration Committee</i>)	1
Xiang Bing	1
Xiang Ya Bo	1

The Group recognises the importance of high caliber and competent staff and continues to provide remuneration packages to employees with reference to prevailing market practices and individual performance. Other benefits, such as medical and retirement benefits, are also provided. In addition, share options may be granted to eligible employees of the Group (including the Directors) in accordance with the terms of the approved share option scheme adopted by the Group.

The remuneration of the members of the senior management (including all Executive Directors) by band for the year ended 31 December 2021 is set out below:

Remuneration bands (HK\$)	Number of person(s)
2,000,001 to 3,000,000	1
4,000,001 to 5,000,000	1

Further particulars regarding the Directors' remuneration and the five highest paid employees as required to be disclosed pursuant to Appendix 16 to the Listing Rules are set out in note 10 to the consolidated financial statements.

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee comprises three Independent Non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Tian Jin, Dr. Xiang Bing and Mr. Xin Luo Lin and is chaired by Mr. Xin Luo Lin.

The Audit Committee reports directly to the Board and reviews financial statements and internal controls in order to protect the interests of the Company's shareholders.

The Audit Committee meets regularly with the Company's external auditor, at least twice a year, to discuss accounting issues, and reviews effectiveness of internal controls and risk evaluation. Written terms of reference, which describe the authority and duties of the Audit Committee are reviewed and updated by the Board, when necessary. The terms of reference of the Audit Committee have complied with the Code which are posted on the website of the Company at www.sinolinkhk.com.

During the year 2021, the Audit Committee:

- reviewed the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 and for the six months ended 30 June 2021;
- reviewed the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems;

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- reviewed the internal and external auditor's findings;
- reviewed and approved remuneration of auditor for financial year of 2020 and recommended the re-appointment of external auditor; and
- reviewed the implementation of policy for employees of the Group to raise concerns about possible improprieties in financial reporting, internal control or other matters, and the whistleblowing policy.

As at 31 December 2021, the arrangement for employees of the Company to raise concerns about possible improprieties in financial reporting, internal control or other matters was in place. No reporting has been received by the Audit Committee during the year.

The Audit Committee held 3 meetings during the year 2021 with individual attendance as follows:

Members of Audit Committee	No. of meeting(s) attended
Xin Luo Lin (<i>Chairman of the Audit Committee</i>)	3
Tian Jin	3
Xiang Bing	3

Nomination Committee

The Nomination Committee comprises one Executive Director, being Mr. Xiang Ya Bo and three Independent Non-executive Directors, being Mr. Tian Jin, Dr. Xiang Bing and Mr. Xin Luo Lin and is chaired by Mr. Tian Jin.

The terms of reference of the Nomination Committee have complied with the Code which are posted on the website of the Company at www.sinolinkhk.com.

The Nomination Committee's responsibilities include reviewing and recommending the structure, size and composition of the Board and any change thereon; assessing the independence of the Independent Non-executive Directors and recommending the re-election of Directors, etc.

During the year 2021, the Nomination Committee:

- reviewed the structure, size and composition (including the skills, knowledge, diversity and experience) of the Board;
- reviewed the board diversity policy;
- assessed the independence of the Independent Non-executive Directors; and
- reviewed and made recommendations to the Board on re-election of retiring directors at the 2022 annual general meeting.

The Nomination Committee held 1 meeting during the year 2021 with individual attendance as follows:

	No. of meeting(s) attended
Members of Nomination Committee	
Tian Jin (<i>Chairman of the Nomination Committee</i>)	1
Xiang Bing	1
Xin Luo Lin	1
Xiang Ya Bo	1

In considering the nomination of re-appointment of directors, the Nomination Committee assessed the relevant candidates on criteria such as integrity, experience, skill, professional qualifications, independent mind and ability to commit time etc, and made recommendation to the Board for approval.

With the nomination of the Nomination Committee and recommendation of the Board, Mr. Xiang Ya Bo, Mr. Ou Jin Yi Hugo and Mr. Tang Yui Man Francis, the retiring Directors are proposed for re-election by shareholders of the Company at the forthcoming 2022 annual general meeting.

BOARD DIVERSITY POLICY

The Company has formulated the board diversity policy in August 2013 aiming at setting out the approach on diversity of the Board of the Company.

The Board recognizes the importance of having a diverse Board in enhancing the Board effectiveness and corporate governance. A diverse Board will include and make good use of differences in the skills, industry knowledge and experience, education, background and other qualities, etc. of Directors and does not discriminate on the ground of race, age, gender or religious belief. These differences will be taken into account in determining the optimum composition of the Board and when possible should be balanced appropriately.

The Nomination Committee has responsibility for identifying and nominating for approval by the Board, candidates for appointment to the Board. It takes responsibility in assessing the appropriate mix of experience, expertise, skills and diversity required on the Board and assessing the extent to which the required skills are represented on the Board and reviewing effectiveness of the Board.

The Nomination Committee is also responsible for reviewing and reporting to the Board in relation to Board diversity.

Board appointments will be based on merit and candidates will be considered against objective criteria, having due regard for the benefits of diversity on the Board.

The Board considers that Board diversity, including gender diversity, is a vital asset to the business.

At present, the Nomination Committee has not set any measurable objectives to implement the board diversity policy. However, it will consider and review the board diversity policy and setting of any measurable objectives from time to time.

NOMINATION POLICY

The Nomination Committee has formulated and set out a nomination policy (“Nomination Policy”). The objective of the Nomination Policy is to ensure that the Board has a balance of skills, experience and diversity of perspectives appropriate to the requirements of the Company’s business. To ensure changes to the Board composition can be managed without undue disruption, a formal, considered and transparent procedure is in place for selection, appointment and re-appointment of Directors, as well as plans in place for orderly succession (if considered necessary). The appointment of a new Director (to be an additional Director or fill a casual vacancy as and when it arises) or any re-appointment of Directors is a matter for decision by the Board upon the recommendation of the proposed candidate by the Nomination Committee.

The criteria to be applied in considering whether a candidate is qualified shall be his or her ability to devote sufficient time and attention to the affairs of the Company and contribute to the diversity of the Board as well as the effective carrying out by the Board of the responsibilities.

DIVIDEND POLICY

The dividend policy adopted by the Company in December 2018 is intended to be prudent and sustainable, and will be evaluated from time to time. The Company do not have any predetermined dividend payout ratio. The Company currently intends to retain most, if not all, of our available funds and any future earnings to operate and expand our business.

Subject to compliance with applicable rules and regulations, the Board may, at its discretion, determine the declaration of payment of dividend(s) to its shareholders in any amount, frequency in any financial year depending on, among other things, the Company’s operation and financial performance, liquidity condition, capital requirements, future funding needs, contractual restrictions, availability of reserves and prevailing economic climate.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted the Model Code as the code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors. Having made specific enquiry of all Directors, the Company confirmed that in respect of the year ended 31 December 2021, all Directors have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code.

The Company also has written guidelines regarding securities transactions on terms no less exacting than the required standard set out in the Model Code for management and any individuals who may have access to inside information in relation to the securities of the Company.

EXTERNAL AUDITOR

The external auditor of the Company is Messrs. Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu (“Deloitte”). Deloitte provided professional services in respect of the audit of Company’s consolidated financial statements prepared under Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (“HKFRSs”) for the year ended 31 December 2021. Deloitte also reviewed the 2021 unaudited interim financial report of the Company prepared under HKFRSs.

Fees charged by Deloitte in respect of audit services for the year 2021 amounted to HK\$2,800,000. Non-audit services fees charged by Deloitte are as follows:

	Fee HK\$’000
Description of services performed	
Non-audit services	1,550
Review of the interim financial report of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2021	525
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Total	2,075
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RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL

The Board acknowledges its responsibility to ensure the Company maintains sound and effective risk management and internal control systems and to review their effectiveness on an ongoing basis. The Group’s risk management and internal control systems are designed to safeguard assets against misappropriation and unauthorized disposition and to manage operational risks. Review of the Group’s internal controls covers major financial, operational and compliance controls, as well as risk management functions. The controls built into the risk management and internal control systems are designed to manage, not eliminate, the risks of failure to achieve business objectives, and can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The Group’s risk management framework includes the following elements:

- identify significant risks in the Group’s operation environment and evaluate the impacts of those risks on the Group’s business;
- develop necessary measures to manage those risks; and
- monitor and review the effectiveness of such measures.

The implementation of risk management framework of the Group was assisted by the Group’s internal audit team, representatives from major departments of the Company, and by engaging independent professional adviser, as a whole, to perform internal audit function. During the year ended 31 December 2021, Vision & Co. CPA Limited was engaged to conduct independent review of certain internal control matters and no significant deficiency was found during the review. On this basis, the Group could ensure new and emerging risks relevant to the Group’s operation are promptly identified by management, assess the adequacy of action plans to manage these risks and monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of the action plans. These are on-going processes and the Audit Committee and the Board review at least annually the Group’s risk management and internal control systems.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

Audit committee reported to the Board the implementation of the Group's risk management and internal control policies which, among other things, included the determination of risk factors, evaluation of risk level and internal controls the Group could take the effectiveness of risk management and internal control measures. Based on the reports from the Group's internal audit team, representatives from major departments of the Company and independent professional adviser, and the Audit Committee, the Board considers that the Group's risk management and internal control systems are adequate and effective and the Group has complied with the provisions on risk management and internal controls as set out in the Code.

During the year, the Audit Committee and the Board have conducted a review of the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems of the Group. The review covered all material controls, including financial, operational and compliance controls and risk management system and consideration of adequacy of resources, staff qualifications and experience, training programmes and budget of the Company's accounting, internal audit and financial reporting functions. Based on the results of the review, the systems were satisfactory with no major irregularities reported and the Group would take steps to further enhance the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems.

HANDLING AND DISSEMINATION OF INSIDE INFORMATION

For the purposes of handling and disseminating inside information, the Group has taken various procedures and measures, including arousing the awareness to preserve confidentiality of inside information within the Group, sending blackout period and securities dealing restrictions notification to all Directors and the relevant employees regularly, disseminating information to specified persons on a need-to-know basis and regarding closely to the "Guidelines on Disclosure of Inside Information" issued by the Securities and Futures Commission in June 2012.

The Company has a policy of open communication which allows strong access to both internally and externally generated information. Pertinent information is identified, captured and communicated in a timely manner. The policy has been reviewed by the board in December 2021.

The Company provides each employee with an employee manual, which states how employees can communicate with the Company in case any problem arises. The Company considers this as a mechanism to help encourage communications between the Company and employees. Moreover, regular meetings are held to provide an avenue for mutual understanding between the Company and employees. The Company has also made arrangements for employees of the Company to raise concerns about possible improprieties in financial reporting, internal control and other matters.

The Company attaches great importance to fair disclosure as it is considered a key means by which to enhance corporate governance standards and provide necessary information to shareholders and other stakeholders, to enable them to form their own judgments, as well as providing feedback to the Company. The Company also understands that the integrity of the information provided is essential in building market confidence.

With respect to procedures and internal controls for the handling and dissemination of inside information, the Company:

- is well aware of its obligations under the Securities and Futures Ordinance, the Listing Rules and the overriding principle that information which is considered as inside information should be announced promptly when it is the subject of a decision
- conducts its affairs with close regard to the “Guidelines on Disclosure of Inside Information”
- informs all Directors, senior management and related staff of the latest regulations and requirements according to the letters issued or announcements published by the Securities and Futures Commission and the Stock Exchange
- has developed procedures and mechanisms for the disclosure of inside information and established the working team to evaluate whether disclosure of the inside information is required
- has established and implemented procedures for responding to external enquiries about the Company’s affairs. Only Directors and delegated management of the Company can act as the Company’s spokespersons and respond to enquiries on designated areas

GOING CONCERN

The Directors, having made appropriate enquiries, consider that the Company has adequate resources to continue its operational existence for a foreseeable future and that, for this reason, it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the consolidated financial statements.

COMPANY SECRETARY

The Company has engaged and appointed a representative from an external secretarial services provider as the company secretary of the Company. The primary contact person of the Company with the company secretary is Mr. Xiang Ya Bo, the Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director of the Company. The company secretary of the Company has duly complied with the relevant training requirement under Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules.

CONSTITUTIONAL DOCUMENTS

There was no change in the memorandum of association and bye-laws of the Company during the year.

A copy of memorandum of association and bye-laws of the Company is posted on the website of the Company at www.sinolinkhk.com.

SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS AND INVESTOR RELATIONS

(a) Procedures for requisitioning a special general meeting

Shareholder(s) of the Company (“Shareholder(s)”) holding at the date of deposit of the requisition not less than one-tenth of the paid up capital of the Company carrying the right to vote at general meetings of the Company may, by written requisition to the Board or the company secretary of the Company signed and deposited in accordance with the bye-laws of the Company and Bermuda Companies Act 1981, require the Directors to call a special general meeting for the transaction of business specified in the requisition.

(b) Procedures for putting forward proposals at general meetings

Shareholder(s) holding not less than one-twentieth of the paid-up capital of the Company carrying the right to vote at general meetings of the Company or not less than 100 Shareholders may, at their expense, provide a written request to the attention of the company secretary of the Company signed and deposited in accordance with the Bermuda Companies Act 1981.

(c) Communication with Shareholders and investors

Shareholders are provided with detailed information about the Company set out in the interim/annual report and/or the circular so that they can exercise their rights in an informed manner.

The Company uses a range of communication tools, such as the annual general meeting, the annual report, interim report, various notices, announcements and circulars, to ensure the Shareholders are kept well informed of key business imperatives. Procedures for conducting a poll are explained by the chairman of the meeting at the general meetings of the Company.

General meetings of the Company provide a direct forum of communication between Shareholders and the Board. Shareholders are welcome to put forward enquiries to the Board or the management thereat and the Chairman of the Board, or in his absence, an Executive Director of the Company or a Non-executive Director of the Company, as well as chairmen of the Nomination Committee, Remuneration Committee and Audit Committee, or in their absence, other members of the respective committees, and where applicable, the independent board committee, will commonly be present and available to answer questions and Shareholders may also contact the company secretary of the Company to direct their written enquires.

At the 2021 annual general meeting, a resolution was proposed by the chairman of the meeting in respect of each separate issue itemized in the notice, including re-election of retiring Directors. The Chairman of the Board and certain members of all committees or their respective duly appointed delegates and representatives of Deloitte participated the 2021 annual general meeting and answered questions from Shareholders.

The Company is committed to enhancing communications and relationships with its investors. Designated management maintains an open dialogue with institutional investors and analysts to keep them abreast of the Company’s developments.

The Company also maintains a website at www.sinolinkhk.com, where updates on the Company’s business developments and operations, financial information and news can always be found.

Shareholders may at any time send their enquiries and concerns to the Board in writing through the company secretary of the Company whose contact details are as follows:

28/F, Infinitus Plaza, 199 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong

Fax: (852) 2851 0970

Email: ir@sinolinkhk.com

In addition, procedures for Shareholders to propose a person for election as a director of the Company is available on the Company's website at www.sinolinkhk.com.

The above procedures are subject to the bye-laws of the Company and applicable laws and regulations.

DIRECTORS' AND AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY IN PREPARING AND REPORTING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Directors acknowledge that it is their responsibility to prepare the financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and of the profit and cash flows of the Group for the year. The statement of the auditor regarding their reporting responsibility for the financial statements is set out in the Independent Auditor's Report on pages 45 to 48.



TO THE MEMBERS OF SINOLINK WORLDWIDE HOLDINGS LIMITED

(incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

OPINION

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Sinolink Worldwide Holdings Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as "the Group") set out on pages 49 to 160, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2021, and the consolidated statement of profit or loss, consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2021, and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA") and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing ("HKSA") issued by HKICPA. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the HKICPA's Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the "Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

KEY AUDIT MATTERS

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

KEY AUDIT MATTERS (Continued)

Key audit matter

Valuation of investment properties

We identified the valuation of investment properties as a key audit matter due to the inherent level of complex and subjective judgments and estimates required in determining the fair values.

The Group's investment property portfolio comprises office and retail premises and carparks located in the PRC and is stated at fair value of HK\$2,822,127,000 as at 31 December 2021 with a net increase in fair value of investment properties of HK\$2,413,000 recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss for the year then ended as disclosed in Note 15 to the consolidated financial statements.

The Group's investment properties are measured using the fair value model based on a valuation performed by an independent professional valuer. As disclosed in Notes 4 and 15 to the consolidated financial statements, in determining the fair values of the Group's investment properties, the valuer has applied income capitalisation method for respective properties, which involves, inter-alia, certain estimates, including capitalisation rates, market rent and adjustments to market rent, as appropriate.

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

Our procedures in relation to the valuation of investment properties included:

- Evaluating the competence, capabilities, and objectivity of the valuer and obtaining an understanding of the valuer's scope of work and their terms of engagement;
- Evaluating the appropriateness of the valuer's valuation approaches to assess if they meet the requirements of the valuation standards and industry norms;
- Challenging the reasonableness of the key assumptions and appropriateness of valuation models applied based on available market data and our knowledge of the property industry and whether the assumptions and methodologies are consistent with those used in prior year;
- Assessing the reasonableness of key inputs used in the valuation, on a sample basis, by checking to the publicly available information on comparable market transactions, comparing rental income and terms of existing leases to the existing lease summary of the Group; and
- Engaging our valuation specialist to assess the appropriateness of methodologies and key inputs used.

OTHER INFORMATION

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

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

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion solely to you, as a body, in accordance with Section 90 of the Bermuda Companies Act, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSAAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with HKSAAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

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

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

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

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

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

Certified Public Accountants

Hong Kong

24 March 2022

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	NOTES	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Revenue	5		
Interest income		22,994	22,210
Rental income		212,359	172,269
Other revenue from contracts with customers		196,873	190,023
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Total revenue		432,226	384,502
Cost of sales		(163,410)	(155,269)
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Gross profit		268,816	229,233
Other income	6	176,722	90,701
Selling expenses		(4,578)	(4,893)
Administrative expenses		(129,932)	(110,983)
Other gains and losses	7	323,297	(19,666)
Increase (decrease) in fair value of investment properties	15	2,413	(25,872)
Fair value gain on other financial assets			
at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL")		142,256	71,493
Fair value loss on loan receivable from an associate			
at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL	18	(210,082)	(314,454)
Share of results of associates		(193,180)	(243,220)
Finance costs	8	(19,484)	(31,576)
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Profit (loss) before taxation	9	356,248	(359,237)
Taxation	11	(110,931)	(62,880)
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Profit (loss) for the year		245,317	(422,117)
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Attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		190,711	(453,114)
Non-controlling interests		54,606	30,997
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		245,317	(422,117)
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		<i>HK cents</i>	<i>HK cents</i>
			<i>(restated)</i>
Earnings (loss) per share	13		
Basic		3.34	(11.07)
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Diluted		3.34	(11.07)
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000
Profit (loss) for the year	<u>245,317</u>	<u>(422,117)</u>
Other comprehensive income (expense)		
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:		
Exchange differences on translation from functional currency to presentation currency	253,468	480,093
Fair value (loss) gain on equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVTOCI"), net of tax	(413,876)	286,442
Share of fair value loss on equity instruments at FVTOCI of associates, net of tax	<u>(21,703)</u>	<u>—</u>
	<u>(182,111)</u>	<u>766,535</u>
Total comprehensive income for the year	<u>63,206</u>	<u>344,418</u>
Total comprehensive income attributable to:		
Owners of the Company	45,460	171,562
Non-controlling interests	<u>17,746</u>	<u>172,856</u>
	<u>63,206</u>	<u>344,418</u>

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	NOTES	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	14	259,612	281,267
Investment properties	15	2,822,127	2,739,311
Interests in associates	16	1,292,944	840,956
Equity instruments at FVTOCI	17	2,042,146	2,528,880
Amounts due from associates at FVTPL	18	—	26,289
Loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL	18	—	7,311
Loans receivables	21	383,822	268,779
Finance lease receivables	22	1	767
Other financial assets at FVTPL	23	1,121,063	88,406
Pledged bank deposits	24	930,275	—
Bank deposits	24	176,039	124,449
Other receivables	11	158,399	158,399
Deferred tax assets	30	3,035	6,870
		9,189,463	7,071,684
Current assets			
Stock of properties	19	951,774	935,818
Trade and other receivables, deposits and prepayments	20	53,434	122,310
Loans receivables	21	167,703	121,601
Finance lease receivables	22	4	2,984
Other financial assets at FVTPL	23	28,347	355,647
Structured deposits	25	307,036	427,553
Bank deposits	24	21,743	89,911
Pledged bank deposits	24	—	846,038
Cash and cash equivalents	24	1,539,354	1,275,637
		3,069,395	4,177,499
Current liabilities			
Trade payables, deposits received and accrued charges	26	455,249	468,915
Contract liabilities	27	9,133	10,242
Taxation payable		829,123	775,242
Borrowings	28	955,000	753,135
Lease liabilities	29	2,501	9,358
		2,251,006	2,016,892
Net current assets		818,389	2,160,607
Total assets less current liabilities		10,007,852	9,232,291

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	NOTES	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities	29	—	2,391
Deferred tax liabilities	30	921,060	999,523
		921,060	1,001,914
Net assets		9,086,792	8,230,377
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	31	637,400	354,111
Reserves		6,955,804	6,400,424
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		7,593,204	6,754,535
Non-controlling interests		1,493,588	1,475,842
Total equity		9,086,792	8,230,377

The consolidated financial statements on pages 49 to 160 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 24 March 2022 and are signed on its behalf by:

Xiang Ya Bo
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Chen Wei
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Attributable to owners of the Company										
	Share capital HK\$'000	Share premium HK\$'000	Translation reserve HK\$'000	Share option reserve HK\$'000	General reserves HK\$'000 (note a)	Contributed surplus HK\$'000 (note b)	Investments revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Retained earnings HK\$'000	Sub-total HK\$'000	Non-controlling interests HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
As at 1 January 2020	354,111	1,824,979	227,892	79,300	184,298	367,782	1,076,527	2,468,084	6,582,973	1,302,986	7,885,959
(Loss)profit for the year	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(453,114)	(453,114)	30,997	(422,117)
Other comprehensive income for the year	–	–	385,403	–	–	–	239,273	–	624,676	141,859	766,535
Total comprehensive income (expense) for the year	–	–	385,403	–	–	–	239,273	(453,114)	171,562	172,856	344,418
Transfers	–	–	–	–	773	–	–	(773)	–	–	–
As at 31 December 2020	354,111	1,824,979	613,295	79,300	185,071	367,782	1,315,800	2,014,197	6,754,535	1,475,842	8,230,377
Profit for the year	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	190,711	190,711	54,606	245,317
Other comprehensive income (expense) for the year	–	–	208,482	–	–	–	(353,733)	–	(145,251)	(36,860)	(182,111)
Total comprehensive income (expense) for the year	–	–	208,482	–	–	–	(353,733)	190,711	45,460	17,746	63,206
Transfers	–	–	–	–	393	–	–	(393)	–	–	–
Issuance of shares by rights issue (Note 31)	283,289	509,920	–	–	–	–	–	–	793,209	–	793,209
As at 31 December 2021	637,400	2,334,899	821,777	79,300	185,464	367,782	962,067	2,204,515	7,593,204	1,493,588	9,086,792

Notes:

- General reserves represent the enterprise expansion fund and general reserve fund set aside by certain subsidiaries in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations of the People's Republic of China (the "PRC"), which are not available for distribution.
- Contributed surplus of the Group represents the difference between the nominal value of the shares of the acquired subsidiaries and the nominal value of the Company's shares issued for the acquisition at the time of the group reorganisation prior to the listing of the Company's shares in 1998.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit (loss) before taxation	356,248	(359,237)
Adjustments for:		
Share of results of associates	193,180	243,220
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	32,590	33,779
Interest income	(102,511)	(106,765)
Interest expenses	19,484	31,576
Dividend income	(92,818)	(1,895)
(Increase)decrease in fair value of investment properties	(2,413)	25,872
Fair value gain on other financial assets at FVTPL	(140,056)	(71,493)
Fair value loss of loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL	210,082	314,454
Net (reversal of impairment losses) impairment losses under expected credit loss ("ECL") model		
– loans receivables	(2,743)	9,676
– finance lease receivables	(81)	1,164
– trade receivables	(11,132)	4,793
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	–	1,983
Gain on disposal of a subsidiary	–	(1,989)
Gain on dilution of interests in an associate	(309,159)	–
Operating cash flows before movements in working capital	150,671	125,138
Decrease (increase) in stock of properties	11,349	(12,793)
(Increase)decrease in loans receivables	(145,918)	42,957
Decrease in finance lease receivables	3,125	1,756
Decrease in trade and other receivables, deposits and prepayments	7,455	10,153
Decrease in other financial assets at FVTPL	28,363	148,759
Decrease in trade payables, deposits received and accrued charges	(27,061)	(9,051)
Decrease in contract liabilities	(1,391)	(1,102)
Cash generated from operations	26,593	305,817
Taxation paid	(42,940)	(43,363)
Interest received from financing services business	22,994	22,210
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	6,647	284,664

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	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Other interest received	153,049	42,391
Dividend received	46,682	1,895
Placement of bank deposits	(47,303)	(411,746)
Withdrawal of bank deposits	70,467	276,543
Placement of structured deposits	(1,230,277)	(802,025)
Withdrawal of structured deposits	1,362,521	808,774
Placement of pledged bank deposits	(917,937)	(35,996)
Withdrawal of pledged bank deposits	859,312	19,685
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	119	2,078
Payment for property, plant and equipment acquired in previous years	—	(2,888)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(2,630)	(5,859)
Investment in associates	(488,914)	(650,999)
Advances to an associate	(21,903)	(268,682)
Purchase of equity instruments at FVTOCI	(3,669)	(12,492)
Proceed from return of capital from equity instruments at FVTOCI	—	545
Purchase of Redeemable Preference Shares (defined in Note 16) (Note 23(i))	(600,197)	—
Proceed from redemption of Redeemable Preference Shares (Note 23(i))	—	578,025
Proceed from disposal of redeemable convertible preference shares (Note 23(ii))	—	63,197
Net cash inflow on disposal of a subsidiary (Note 7(ii))	—	813
Investment in unlisted fund investment in the PRC	(9,779)	(82,147)
Proceed from disposal of equity securities listed in the overseas	12,390	—
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	<u>(818,069)</u>	<u>(478,888)</u>
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Issuance of new shares by rights issue	793,209	—
New borrowing raised	955,000	68,135
Repayment of borrowings	(685,000)	(112,591)
Repayment of lease liabilities	(9,764)	(9,159)
Interest paid	(17,774)	(29,941)
NET CASH FROM (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES	<u>1,035,671</u>	<u>(83,556)</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	224,249	(277,780)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	1,275,637	1,463,952
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	39,468	89,465
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE YEAR	<u><u>1,539,354</u></u>	<u><u>1,275,637</u></u>

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Sinolink Worldwide Holdings Limited (the “Company”) is a public limited company incorporated in Bermuda as an exempted company and its shares are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”). The ultimate and immediate holding company is Asia Pacific Promotion Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands (“BVI”), which is wholly owned by Mr. Ou Yaping, a non-executive director of the Company. The addresses of the registered office and principal place of business of the Company are disclosed in the corporate information section to the annual report.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars (“HK\$”) while the functional currency of the Company is Renminbi (“RMB”) as the directors of the Company consider that HK\$ is the appropriate presentation currency for the convenience of the users of the consolidated financial statements.

The Company is an investment holding company. The activities of its subsidiaries are set out in Note 43.

2. APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS TO HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“HKFRSs”)

Amendments to HKFRSs that are mandatorily effective for the current year

In the current year, the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the “Group”) has applied the following amendments to HKFRSs issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (“HKICPA”) for the first time, which are mandatorily effective for the annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021 for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements:

Amendments to HKFRS 16	Covid-19-Related Rent Concession
Amendments to HKFRS 9, HKAS 39 and HKFRS 7, HKFRS 4 and HKFRS 16	Interest Rate Benchmark Reform – Phase 2

In addition, the Group applied the agenda decision of the IFRS Interpretations Committee (the “Committee”) of the International Accounting Standards Board issued in June 2021 which clarified the costs an entity should include as “estimated costs necessary to make the sale” when determining the net realisable value of inventories.

The application of the amendments to HKFRSs and the agenda decision of the Committee of the International Accounting Standards Board issued in June 2021 in the current year had no material impact on the Group’s financial positions and performance for the current and prior years and/or on the disclosures set out in these consolidated financial statements.

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2. APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS TO HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“HKFRSs”) (Continued)

New and amendments to HKFRSs in issue but not yet effective

The Group has not early applied the following new and amendments to HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective:

HKFRS 17	Insurance Contracts and the related Amendments ³
Amendments to HKFRS 3	Reference to the Conceptual Framework ²
Amendments to HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture ⁴
Amendments to HKFRS 16	Covid-19-Related Rent Concession beyond 30 June 2021 ¹
Amendments to HKAS 1	Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current and related amendments to Hong Kong Interpretation 5 (2020) ³
Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKFRS Practice Statement 2	Disclosure of Accounting Policies ³
Amendments to HKAS 8	Definition of Accounting Estimates ³
Amendments to HKAS 12	Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction ³
Amendments to HKAS 16	Property, Plant and Equipment – Proceeds before Intended Use ²
Amendments to HKAS 37	Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract ²
Amendments to HKFRSs	Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2018 - 2020 ²

¹ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 April 2021

² Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022

³ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023

⁴ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after a date to be determined

Except for the amendments to HKFRSs mentioned below, the directors of the Company anticipate that the application of all other new and amendments to HKFRSs will have no material impact on the consolidated financial statements in the foreseeable future.

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2. APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS TO HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“HKFRSs”) (Continued)

New and amendments to HKFRSs in issue but not yet effective (Continued)

Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKFRS Practice Statement 2 “Disclosure of Accounting Policies”

HKAS 1 “Presentation of Financial Statements” is amended to replace all instances of the term “significant accounting policies” with “material accounting policy information”. Accounting policy information is material if, when considered together with other information included in an entity’s financial statements, it can reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements.

The amendments also clarify that accounting policy information may be material because of the nature of the related transactions, other events or conditions, even if the amounts are immaterial. However, not all accounting policy information relating to material transactions, other events or conditions is itself material. If an entity chooses to disclose immaterial accounting policy information, such information must not obscure material accounting policy information.

HKFRS Practice Statement 2 “Making Materiality Judgements” (the “Practice Statement”) is also amended to illustrate how an entity applies the “four-step materiality process” to accounting policy disclosures and to judge whether information about an accounting policy is material to its financial statements. Guidance and examples are added to the Practice Statement.

The application of the amendments is not expected to have significant impact on the financial position or performance of the Group but may affect the disclosures of the Group’s significant accounting policies. The impacts of application, if any, will be disclosed in the Group’s future consolidated financial statements.

Amendments to HKAS 8 “Definition of Accounting Estimates”

The amendments define accounting estimates as “monetary amounts in financial statements that are subject to measurement uncertainty”. An accounting policy may require items in financial statements to be measured in a way that involves measurement uncertainty – that is, the accounting policy may require such items to be measured at monetary amounts that cannot be observed directly and must instead be estimated. In such a case, an entity develops an accounting estimate to achieve the objective set out by the accounting policy. Developing accounting estimates involves the use of judgments or assumptions based on the latest available, reliable information.

In addition, the concept of changes in accounting estimates in HKAS 8 “Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors” is retained with additional clarifications.

The application of the amendments is not expected to have significant impact on the Group’s consolidated financial statements.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

3.1 *Basis of preparation of consolidated financial statements*

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA. For the purpose of preparation of the consolidated financial statements, information is considered material if such information is reasonably expected to influence decisions made by primary users. In addition, the consolidated financial statements include applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange and by the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

The directors of the Company have, at the time of approving the consolidated financial statements, a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources to continue its operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the consolidated financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for investment properties and certain financial instruments that are measured at fair values at the end of the reporting period, as explained in the accounting policies set out below.

Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for goods and services.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique. In estimating the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Group takes into account the characteristics of the asset or liability if market participants would take those characteristics into account when pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value for measurement and/or disclosure purposes in these consolidated financial statements is determined on such a basis, except for share-based payment transactions that are within the scope of HKFRS 2 “Share-based Payment”, leasing transactions that are accounted for in accordance with HKFRS 16 “Leases” (“HKFRS 16”), and measurements that have some similarities to fair value but are not fair value, such as net realisable value in HKAS 2 “Inventories” or value in use in HKAS 36 “Impairment of Assets” (“HKAS 36”).

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant’s ability to generate economic benefits by using the assets in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

For financial instruments and investment properties which are transacted at fair value and a valuation technique that unobservable inputs are to be used to measure fair value in subsequent periods, the valuation technique is calibrated so that at initial recognition the results of the valuation technique equals the transaction price.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.1 Basis of preparation of consolidated financial statements (Continued)

In addition, for financial reporting purposes, fair value measurements are categorised into Level 1, 2 or 3 based on the degree to which the inputs to the fair value measurements are observable and the significance of the inputs to the fair value measurement in its entirety, which are described as follows:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date;
- Level 2 inputs are inputs, other than quoted prices included within Level 1, that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

3.2 Significant accounting policies

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and entities controlled by the Company and its subsidiaries. Control is achieved when the Company:

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

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

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

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

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

All intragroup transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated in full on consolidation.

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

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Interests in associates

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

The results and assets and liabilities of associates are incorporated in these consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting. The financial statements of associates used for equity accounting purposes are prepared using uniform accounting policies as those of the Group for like transactions and events in similar circumstances. Under the equity method, investments in associates are initially recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost and adjusted thereafter to recognise the Group's share of the profit or loss and other comprehensive income of the associates. Changes in net assets of the associates other than profit or loss and other comprehensive income are not accounted for unless such changes resulted in changes in ownership interest held by the Group. When the Group's share of losses of an associate exceeds the Group's interest in that associate (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group's net investment in the associate), the Group discontinues recognising its share of further losses. Additional losses are recognised only to the extent that the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate.

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

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

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Interests in associates (Continued)

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

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

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

Revenue from contracts with customers

The Group recognises revenue when (or as) a performance obligation is satisfied, i.e. when “control” of the goods or services underlying the particular performance obligation is transferred to the customer.

A performance obligation represents a good and service (or a bundle of goods or services) that is distinct or a series of distinct goods or services that are substantially the same.

Control is transferred over time and revenue is recognised over time by reference to the progress towards complete satisfaction of the relevant performance obligation if one of the following criteria is met:

- the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits provided by the Group’s performance as the Group performs;
- the Group’s performance creates or enhances an asset that the customer controls as the Group performs; or
- the Group’s performance does not create an asset with an alternative use to the Group and the Group has an enforceable right to payment for performance completed to date.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Revenue from contracts with customers (Continued)

Otherwise, revenue is recognised at a point in time when the customer obtains control of the distinct good or service.

A contract asset represents the Group's right to consideration in exchange for goods or services that the Group has transferred to a customer that is not yet unconditional. It is assessed for impairment in accordance with HKFRS 9. In contrast, a receivable represents the Group's unconditional right to consideration, i.e. only the passage of time is required before payment of that consideration is due.

A contract liability represents the Group's obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which the Group has received consideration (or an amount of consideration is due) from the customer.

A contract asset and a contract liability relating to the same contract are accounted for and presented on a net basis.

Leases

Definition of a lease

A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

For contracts entered into or modified on or after the date of initial application of HKFRS 16 or arising from business combinations, the Group assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease based on the definition under HKFRS 16 at inception, modification date or acquisition date, as appropriate. Such contract will not be reassessed unless the terms and conditions of the contract are subsequently changed.

The Group as a lessee

Allocation of consideration to components of a contract

For a contract that contains a lease component and one or more additional lease or non-lease components, the Group allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of the relative stand-alone price of the lease component and the aggregate stand-alone price of the non-lease components.

Non-lease components are separated from lease component and are accounted for by applying other applicable standards.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Leases (Continued)

The Group as a lessee (Continued)

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Group applies the short-term lease recognition exemption to leases of premises that have a lease term of 12 months or less from the commencement date and do not contain a purchase option. It also applies the recognition exemption for lease of low-value assets. Lease payments on short-term leases and leases of low-value assets are recognised as expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Right-of-use assets

The cost of right-of-use asset includes:

- the amount of the initial measurement of the lease liability;
- any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, less any lease incentives received;
- any initial direct costs incurred by the Group; and
- an estimate of costs to be incurred by the Group in dismantling and removing the underlying assets, restoring the site on which it is located or restoring the underlying asset to the condition required by the terms and conditions of the lease.

Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of its estimated useful life and the lease term.

The Group presents right-of-use assets in “property, plant and equipment”, the same line item within which the corresponding underlying assets would be presented if they were owned.

Refundable rental deposits

Refundable rental deposits paid are accounted under HKFRS 9 and initially measured at fair value. Adjustments to fair value at initial recognition are considered as additional lease payments and included in the cost of right-of-use assets.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Leases (Continued)

The Group as a lessee (Continued)

Lease liabilities

At the commencement date of a lease, the Group recognises and measures the lease liability at the present value of lease payments that are unpaid at that date. In calculating the present value of lease payments, the Group uses the incremental borrowing rate at the lease commencement date if the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable.

The lease payments include fixed payments less any lease incentives receivable.

After the commencement date, lease liabilities are adjusted by interest accretion and lease payments.

The Group presents lease liabilities as a separate line item on the consolidated statement of financial position.

Lease modifications

The Group accounts for a lease modification as a separate lease if:

- the modification increases the scope of the lease by adding the right to use one or more underlying assets; and
- the consideration for the leases increases by an amount commensurate with the stand-alone price for the increase in scope and any appropriate adjustments to that stand-alone price to reflect the circumstances of the particular contract.

For a lease modification that is not accounted for as a separate lease, the Group remeasures the lease liability based on the lease term of the modified lease by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate at the effective date of the modification.

The Group accounts for the remeasurement of lease liabilities by making corresponding adjustments to the relevant right-of-use asset. When the modified contract contains a lease component and one or more additional lease or non-lease components, the Group allocates the consideration in the modified contract to each lease component on the basis of the relative stand-alone price of the lease component and the aggregate stand-alone price of the non-lease components.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Leases (Continued)

The Group as a lessor

Classification and measurement of leases

Leases for which the Group is a lessor are classified as finance or operating leases. Whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an underlying asset to the lessee, the contract is classified as a finance lease. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

Amounts due from lessees under finance leases are recognised as receivables at commencement date at amounts equal to net investments in the leases, measured using the interest rate implicit in the respective leases. Initial direct costs (other than those incurred by manufacturer or dealer lessors) are included in the initial measurement of the net investments in the leases. Interest income is allocated to accounting periods so as to reflect a constant periodic rate of return on the Group's net investment outstanding in respect of the leases.

Rental income from operating leases is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset, and such costs are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term except for investment properties measured under fair value model.

Interest and rental income which are derived from the Group's ordinary course of business are presented as revenue.

Allocation of consideration to components of a contract

When a contract includes both leases and non-lease components, the Group applies HKFRS 15 "Revenue from Contracts with Customers" ("HKFRS 15") to allocate consideration in a contract to lease and non-lease components. Non-lease components are separated from lease component on the basis of their relative stand-alone selling prices.

Refundable rental deposits

Refundable rental deposits received are accounted under HKFRS 9 and initially measured at fair value. Adjustments to fair value at initial recognition are considered as additional lease payments from lessees.

Sublease

When the Group is an intermediate lessor, it accounts for the head lease and the sublease as two separate contracts. The sublease is classified as a finance or operating lease by reference to the right-of-use asset arising from the head lease, not with reference to the underlying asset.

The Group uses the discount rate used for the head lease (adjusted for any initial direct costs associated with the sublease) to measure the net investment in the sublease if the interest rate implicit in the sublease cannot be readily determined

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Leases (Continued)

The Group as a lessor (Continued)

Lease modification

Changes in considerations of lease contracts that were not part of the original terms and conditions are accounted for as lease modifications, including lease incentives provided through forgiveness or reduction of rentals.

The Group accounts for a modification to an operating lease as a new lease from the effective date of the modification, considering any prepaid or accrued lease payments relating to the original lease as part of the lease payments for the new lease.

The Group accounts for a change in the lease payments of a finance lease as a lease modification, that is not accounted for as a separate lease, in accordance with the requirements of HKFRS 9. If the change represents a substantial modification, the finance lease receivables of the original lease are derecognised and a derecognition gain or loss calculated using the revised lease payments discounted at the revised discount rate is recognised in profit or loss on the date of the modification. If the change does not represent a substantial modification, the Group continues to recognise the finance lease receivables in which such carrying amount will be calculated at the present value of the modified contractual cash flows discounted at the related receivables' original discount rate. Any adjustment to the carrying amount is recognised in profit or loss at the effective date of modification.

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are tangible assets that are held for use in the production or supply of goods or services, or for administrative purposes. Property, plant and equipment are stated in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost less subsequent accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any.

When the Group makes payments for ownership interests of properties which includes both leasehold land and building elements, the entire consideration is allocated between the leasehold land and the building elements in proportion to the relative fair values at initial recognition. To the extent the allocation of the relevant payments can be made reliably, interest in leasehold land is presented as right-of-use assets in "property, plant and equipment" in the consolidated statement of financial position except for those that are classified and accounted for as investment properties under the fair value model. When the consideration cannot be allocated reliably between non-lease building element and undivided interest in the underlying leasehold land, the entire properties are classified as property, plant and equipment.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost of items of property, plant and equipment less their residual values over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. Any gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an item of property, plant and equipment is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in profit or loss.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Investment properties

Investment properties are properties held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation. Investment properties include land held for undetermined future use, which is regarded as held for capital appreciation purpose.

Investment properties are measured initially at cost, including any directly attributable expenditure. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are measured at fair value, adjusted to exclude any prepaid or accrued operating lease income. Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of investment properties are included in profit or loss for the period in which they arise.

An investment property is derecognised upon disposal or when the investment property is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefits are expected from its disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the property (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in profit or loss in the period in which the property is derecognised.

Impairment losses on property, plant and equipment (including right-of-use assets)

At the end of the reporting period, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its property, plant and equipment (including right-of-use assets) to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the relevant asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss, if any.

The recoverable amount of property, plant and equipment (including right-of-use assets) are estimated individually. When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount individually, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

In testing a cash-generating unit for impairment, corporate assets are allocated to the relevant cash-generating unit when a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be established, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of cash-generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be established. The recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit or group of cash-generating units to which the corporate asset belongs, and is compared with the carrying amount of the relevant cash-generating unit or group of cash-generating units.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset (or a cash-generating unit) for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Impairment losses on property, plant and equipment (including right-of-use assets) (Continued)

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or a cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or a cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. For corporate assets or portion of corporate assets which cannot be allocated on a reasonable and consistent basis to a cash-generating unit, the Group compares the carrying amount of a group of cash-generating units, including the carrying amounts of the corporate assets or portion of corporate assets allocated to that group of cash-generating units, with the recoverable amount of the group of cash-generating units. In allocating the impairment loss, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill (if applicable) and then to the other assets on a pro-rata basis based on the carrying amount of each asset in the unit or the group of cash-generating units. The carrying amount of an asset is not reduced below the highest of its fair value less costs of disposal (if measurable), its value in use (if determinable) and zero. The amount of the impairment loss that would otherwise have been allocated to the asset is allocated pro rata to the other assets of the unit or the group of cash-generating units. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit or a group of cash-generating units) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or a cash-generating unit or a group of cash-generating units) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Stock of properties

Stock of properties of the Group included properties under development.

Properties under development which are intended to be sold upon completion of development are classified as current assets. Except for the leasehold land element which is measured at cost model in accordance with the accounting policies of right-of-use assets upon the application of HKFRS 16, properties under development are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on a specific identification basis including allocation of the related development expenditure incurred and where appropriate, borrowing costs capitalised. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price for the properties less estimated cost to completion and costs necessary to make the sales. Costs necessary to make the sale include incremental costs directly attributable to the sale and non-incremental costs which the Group must incur to make the sale.

Properties under development for sale are transferred to properties for sale upon completion.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in a consolidated statement of financial position when a group entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the market place.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value except for trade receivables arising from contracts with customers which are initially measured in accordance with HKFRS 15. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at FVTPL) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at FVTPL are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

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

Interest income which are derived from the Group's ordinary course of business are presented as revenue. Interest income from bank deposits and other financial assets at FVTPL are presented as other income.

Financial assets

Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets

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

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

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets (Continued)

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

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

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

A financial asset is held for trading if:

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

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

(i) Amortised cost and interest income

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

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets (Continued)

(ii) Equity instruments designated as at FVTOCI

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

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

(iii) Financial assets at FVTPL

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

Financial assets at FVTPL are measured at fair value at the end of each reporting period, with any fair value gains or losses recognised in profit or loss. The net gain or loss recognised in profit or loss excludes any dividend or interest earned on the financial asset and is included in the "fair value gain on other financial assets at FVTPL" or "fair value loss on loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL" in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

Impairment of financial assets and other items subject to impairment assessment under HKFRS 9

The Group performs impairment assessment under ECL model on financial assets including trade receivables, other receivables and deposits, loans receivables, bank deposits, pledged bank deposits and bank balances, and other items (finance lease receivables and financial guarantee contracts) which are subject to impairment assessment under HKFRS 9. The amount of ECL is updated at the end of the reporting period to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition.

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

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Impairment of financial assets and other items subject to impairment assessment under HKFRS 9 (Continued)

The Group always recognises lifetime ECL for trade receivables and finance lease receivables.

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

(i) Significant increase in credit risk

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

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

- an actual or expected significant deterioration in the financial instrument's external (if available) or internal credit rating;
- significant deterioration in external market indicators of credit risk, e.g. a significant increase in the credit spread, the credit default swap prices for the debtor;
- existing or forecast adverse changes in business, financial or economic conditions that are expected to cause a significant decrease in the debtor's ability to meet its debt obligations;
- an actual or expected significant deterioration in the operating results of the debtor;
- an actual or expected significant adverse change in the regulatory, economic, or technological environment of the debtor that results in a significant decrease in the debtor's ability to meet its debt obligations.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Impairment of financial assets and other items subject to impairment assessment under HKFRS 9 (Continued)

(i) Significant increase in credit risk (Continued)

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

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

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

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

(ii) Definition of default

The Group considers that default has occurred when the instrument is more than 90 days past due unless the Group has reasonable and supportable information to demonstrate that a more lagging default criterion is more appropriate.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Impairment of financial assets and other items subject to impairment assessment under HKFRS 9 (Continued)

(iii) Credit-impaired financial assets

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 assets have been occurred. Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes observable data about the following events:

- Significant financial difficulty of the issuer of the borrower;
- A breach of contract, such as a default or past due event;
- The lender(s) of the borrower, for economic or contractual reasons relating to the borrower's financial difficulty, having granted to the borrower a concession(s) that the lender(s) would not otherwise consider;
- It is becoming probably that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation.

(iv) Write-off policy

The Group writes off a financial asset when there is information indicating that the counterparty is in severe financial difficulty and there is no realistic prospect of recovery, e.g. when the counterparty has been placed under liquidation or has entered into bankruptcy proceedings, or in the case of trade receivables, when the amounts are over two years past due, whichever occurs sooner. Financial assets written off may still be subject to enforcement activities under the Group's recovery procedures, taking into account legal advice when appropriate. A write-off constitutes a derecognition effect. Any recoveries made are recognised in profit or loss.

(v) Measurement and recognition of ECL

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

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Impairment of financial assets and other items subject to impairment assessment under HKFRS 9 (Continued)

(v) Measurement and recognition of ECL (Continued)

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

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

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

Lifetime ECL for certain trade receivables are considered on a collective basis taking into consideration past due information and relevant credit information such as forward looking macroeconomic information.

For collective assessment, the Group takes into consideration the following characteristics when formulating the grouping:

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

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Impairment of financial assets and other items subject to impairment assessment under HKFRS 9 (Continued)

(v) Measurement and recognition of ECL (Continued)

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

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

Except for financial guarantee contracts, the Group recognises an impairment gain or loss in profit or loss for all financial instruments by adjusting their carrying amount, with the exception of trade receivables, loans receivables and finance lease receivables where the corresponding adjustment is recognised through a loss allowance account.

Derecognition of financial assets

The Group derecognises a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity.

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

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

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial liabilities and equity instruments

Classification as debt or equity

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

Equity instruments

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

Financial liabilities at amortised cost

Financial liabilities including borrowings, trade payables, deposits received and accrued charges are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Financial guarantee contracts

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

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

Derecognition of financial liabilities

The Group derecognises financial liabilities when, and only when, the Group's obligations are discharged, cancelled or have expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognised and the consideration paid and payable is recognised in profit or loss.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial liabilities and equity instruments (Continued)

Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, which are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale, are added to the cost of those assets until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale.

Any specific borrowing that remain outstanding after the related asset is ready for its intended use or sale is included in the general borrowing pool for calculation of capitalisation rate on general borrowings. Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs eligible for capitalisation.

All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

Foreign currencies

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

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

For the purposes of presenting the consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the Group's operations are translated into the presentation currency of the Group (i.e. HK\$) using exchange rates prevailing at the end of the reporting period. Income and expenses items are translated at the average exchange rates for the year, unless exchange rates fluctuate significantly during that period, in which case the exchange rates at the date of transactions are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity under the heading of translation reserve (attributed to non-controlling interests as appropriate).

Exchange differences relating to the retranslation of the Group's net assets in RMB to the Group's presentation currency (i.e. HK\$) are recognised directly in other comprehensive income and accumulated in translation reserve. Such exchange differences accumulated in the translation reserve are not reclassified to profit or loss subsequently.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Taxation

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from profit (loss) before taxation because of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and items that are never taxable or deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax is recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognised for all deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries and interests in associates, except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax assets arising from deductible temporary differences associated with such investments and interests are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that there will be sufficient taxable profits against which to utilise the benefits of the temporary differences and they are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period in which the liability is settled or the asset is realised, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Taxation (Continued)

For the purposes of measuring deferred tax for investment properties that are measured using the fair value model, the carrying amounts of such properties are presumed to be recovered entirely through sale, unless the presumption is rebutted. The presumption is rebutted when the investment property is depreciable and is held within a business model whose objective is to consume substantially all of the economic benefits embodied in the investment property over time, rather than through sale.

For the purposes of measuring deferred tax for leasing transactions in which the Group recognises the right-of-use assets and the related lease liabilities, the Group first determines whether the tax deductions are attributable to the right-of-use assets or the lease liabilities.

For leasing transactions in which the tax deductions are attributable to the lease liabilities, the Group applies HKAS 12 "Income Taxes" requirements to the leasing transaction as a whole. Temporary differences relating to right-of-use assets and lease liabilities are assessed on a net basis. Excess of depreciation on right-of-use assets over the lease payments for the principal portion of lease liabilities resulting in net deductible temporary differences.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied to the same taxable entity by the same taxation authority.

Current and deferred tax are recognised in profit or loss, except when they relate to items that are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case, the current and deferred tax are also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

In assessing any uncertainty over income tax treatments, the Group considers whether it is probable that the relevant tax authority will accept the uncertain tax treatment used, or proposed to be used by individual group entities in their income tax filings. If it is probable, the current and deferred taxes are determined consistently with the tax treatment in the income tax filings. If it is not probable that the relevant taxation authority will accept an uncertain tax treatment, the effect of each uncertainty is reflected by using either the most likely amount or the expected value.

Retirement benefits costs

Payments to state-managed retirement benefit schemes and the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme are recognised as an expense when employees have rendered service entitling them to the contributions.

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3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

3.2 Significant accounting policies (Continued)

Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits are recognised at the undiscounted amount of the benefits expected to be paid as and when employees rendered the services. All short-term employee benefits are recognised as an expense unless another HKFRS requires or permits the inclusion of the benefit in the cost of an asset.

A liability is recognised for benefits accruing to employees (such as wages and salaries and annual leave) after deducting any amount already paid.

Share-based payments

Equity-settled share-based payments to employees and others providing similar services are measured at the fair value of the equity instruments at the grant date.

The fair value of the equity-settled share-based payments determined at the grant date without taking into consideration all non-market vesting conditions is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the Group's estimate of equity instruments that will eventually vest, with a corresponding increase in equity (share option reserve). At the end of the reporting period, the Group revises its estimate of the number of equity instruments expected to vest based on assessment of all relevant non-market vesting conditions. The impact of the revision of the original estimates, if any, is recognised in profit or loss such that the cumulative expense reflects the revised estimate, with a corresponding adjustment to the share option reserve.

When share options are exercised, the amount previously recognised in share option reserve will be transferred to share premium. When the share options are forfeited after the vesting date or are still not exercised at the expiry date, the amount previously recognised in share option reserve will be transferred to retained earnings.

4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, which are described in Note 3, the directors of the Company are required to make estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an 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.

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4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (Continued)

Critical judgments in applying accounting policies

The following is the critical judgment, apart from those involving estimations (see below), the directors of the Company have made in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements.

Deferred tax on investment properties

For the purposes of measuring deferred tax liabilities arising from investment properties that are measured using the fair value model, the directors of the Company have reviewed the Group's investment property portfolios and concluded that the Group's investment properties are held under a business model whose objective is to consume substantially all of the economic benefits embodied in the investment properties over time, rather than through sale. Therefore, in determining the Group's deferred tax on investment properties, the directors of the Company have determined that the presumption of investment properties measured using the fair value model are recovered through sale is rebutted. Thus, the Group has recognised deferred tax liabilities on the fair value change of the Group's investment properties based on the enterprise income tax ("Enterprise Income Tax") in the PRC.

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

The following are the key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of the reporting period that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

Fair values of investment properties

Investment properties are stated at fair value based on the valuation performed by an independent professional valuer. In determining the fair value, the independent professional valuer has based on a method of valuation which involves certain estimates including capitalisation rates, market rent and adjustments to market rent. In relying on the valuation report, the directors of the Company have exercised their judgment and are satisfied that the assumptions used in the valuation are reflective of the current market conditions. Changes to these assumptions would result in changes in the fair values of the Group's investment properties and the corresponding adjustments to the amount of fair value gain or loss reported in the profit or loss. As at 31 December 2021, the carrying amount of the Group's investment properties is HK\$2,822,127,000 (2020: HK\$2,739,311,000).

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4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (Continued)

Key sources of estimation uncertainty (Continued)

Fair value of loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL

The Group has a loan receivable from an associate (see Note 18) which represents a shareholder's loan advanced to the Group's associate, Rockefeller Group Asia Pacific, Inc. ("RGAP"), for financing a property development and property investment project in Shanghai. As at 31 December 2021 and 2020, there was also amounts due from associates (Note 18) represent receivables mainly arisen from provision of property management services by the Group and fund advanced from the Group.

Loan receivable from an associate as well as the amounts due from associates represent an investment in the project of RGAP and its subsidiaries ("RGAP Group") are measured at FVTPL. The fair values of these amounts are dependent on the cash flow to be received from RGAP Group that generated from the property development and property investment project impacted by growth rate and the discount rate applied. Where the actual future cash flows or discount rate are changed, a change of fair value may arise.

In determining the fair values of loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL as at 31 December 2021 and 2020, the directors of the Company have taken into account the development status of the property development and property investment project, the expected time to sell the residential properties and the expected market price and the future rental income of the properties, where appropriate, in order to determine the estimated future cash flows and timing of such cash flows of the loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and the amounts due from associates at FVTPL. Also, the Group engaged an independent professional valuer to perform the estimation of discount rate representing the market interest rate of the associates. The carrying amounts of loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL are both nil as at 31 December 2021. The carrying amounts of loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL are HK\$7,311,000 and HK\$26,289,000 as at 31 December 2020, respectively. A fair value loss of HK\$210,082,000 (2020: HK\$314,454,000) was recognised during the year ended 31 December 2021.

Fair value of the investment in ZhongAn Online P&C Insurance Co., Ltd. ("ZhongAn Online") subject to lock-up period, which is classified as equity instruments at FVTOCI

ZhongAn Online is an entity listed on the Stock Exchange. As at 31 December 2021 and 2020, the fair value of the Group's equity securities in ZhongAn Online, which is subject to lock-up period, involves estimates of significant unobservable input (i.e. the discount of the marketability on ZhongAn Online's share prices) with the details set out in Notes 17 and 33. The fair value of equity securities in ZhongAn Online with lock-up period is based on the valuation performed by an independent professional valuer. In relying on the valuation report, the directors of the Company have exercised their judgment and are satisfied that the assumptions used in the valuation are reflective of the current market conditions. Changes to these assumptions would result in changes in the fair values of the Group's equity securities in ZhongAn Online subject to lock-up period and the corresponding adjustments to the amount of fair value gain or loss reported in the other comprehensive income. As at 31 December 2021, the fair value of equity securities in ZhongAn Online subject to lock-up period classified as equity instruments at FVTOCI was approximately HK\$1,340,463,000 (2020: HK\$2,334,621,000).

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4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (Continued)

Key sources of estimation uncertainty (Continued)

Impairment of hotel buildings

Assessing impairment of hotel buildings requires an estimation of its recoverable amounts which is determined based on fair value less costs of disposal. The estimation made by an independent professional valuer is considered to be key areas of judgment, including adjusted room rent and capitalisation rate during the year ended 31 December 2021 and 2020. Where there are changes in assumptions due to market conditions, the estimate of receivable amount may be affected. Details of the recoverable amount calculation of hotel buildings are disclosed in Note 14. As at 31 December 2021, the carrying amounts of hotel buildings are HK\$115,843,000 (2020: HK\$121,460,000). During the year ended 31 December 2021 and 2020, the Group has no impairment loss on hotel buildings.

5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

(A) Revenue

(i) Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers

Revenue primarily represents revenue arising from property management fee income, rental income, interest income from financing services business and other service income, after deducting other sales related taxes. All these revenue are arisen from the PRC. An analysis of the Group's revenue for the period is as follows:

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Recognised over time under HKFRS 15:		
– Property management fee income	134,236	120,224
– Other service income	62,637	62,521
Recognised at a point in time under HKFRS 15:		
– Service income from financing services business	—	7,278
Recognised under HKFRS 15	196,873	190,023
Recognised under other HKFRSs:		
– Rental income	212,359	172,269
– Interest income from financing services business	22,994	22,210
	432,226	384,502

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5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(A) Revenue (Continued)

(i) Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers (Continued)

Set out below is the reconciliation of the revenue from contracts with customers with the amounts disclosed in the segment information.

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	Property management HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Financing services HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Property management fee income	134,236	—	—	—	134,236
Others	—	—	—	62,637	62,637
Revenue from contracts with customers	134,236	—	—	62,637	196,873
Rental income	—	212,359	—	—	212,359
Interest income from financing services business	—	—	22,994	—	22,994
Total revenue	134,236	212,359	22,994	62,637	432,226

For the year ended 31 December 2020

	Property management HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Financing services HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Property management fee income	120,224	—	—	—	120,224
Service income from financing services business	—	—	7,278	—	7,278
Others	—	—	—	62,521	62,521
Revenue from contracts with customers	120,224	—	7,278	62,521	190,023
Rental income	—	172,269	—	—	172,269
Interest income from financing services business	—	—	22,210	—	22,210
Total revenue	120,224	172,269	29,488	62,521	384,502

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5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(A) Revenue (Continued)

(ii) Performance obligations for contracts with customers

Property management fee income

Under the terms of these contracts, the customer of the Group simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits provided by the Group's performance as the Group performs (i.e. services rendered by the Group under property management contracts with the customers with standard contract period up to twelve years (2020: twelve years)) and thus these income are recognised over time.

Service income from financing services business

The Group generated service income by referring potential consumers to insurance providers. The Company will not be entitled to any income until the transaction between the consumers and insurance provider is completed. Service income from financing services business is recognised at a point in time when the customers successfully enter contracts with insurance providers.

(iii) Transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligation for contracts with customers

The transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligations of property management services (unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied) and the expected timing of recognising revenue are as follows:

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within one year	23,407	23,198
More than one year but not more than two years	15,260	15,719
More than two years but not more than five years	24,979	24,909
More than five years	14,163	17,581
	77,809	81,407

All other services delivered by the Group are for periods of one year or less. As permitted under HKFRS 15, the transaction price allocated to these unsatisfied contracts is not disclosed.

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5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(A) Revenue (Continued)

(iv) Leases

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
For operating leases properties:		
– Lease payments that are fixed	206,638	166,598
– Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate	5,721	5,671
	212,359	172,269
For finance leases equipment and premises:		
– Interest income from financing services business	9	124
Total revenue arising from leases	212,368	172,393

(B) Segment information

The Group was organised into four operating divisions for management purposes – property development and sale of properties (“property development”), property management, property investment and provision of finance leasing, loan financing services and other financing service in the PRC (“Financing services”). These divisions are the basis on which the Group reports to the executive directors of the Company, the Group’s chief operating decision makers (“CODM”), for performance assessment and resource allocation. Other than aforesaid reportable and operating segments, the management of the Group has aggregated operations generating other service income as “others”.

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5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(B) Segment information (Continued)

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable and operating segment.

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	Property development HK\$'000	Property management HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Financing services HK\$'000	Total for reportable segments HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000	Consolidated HK\$'000
REVENUE							
External sales	—	134,236	212,359	22,994	369,589	62,637	432,226
RESULT							
Segment results	(1,156)	5,919	179,729	34,922	219,414	(9,111)	210,303
Other income							176,722
Unallocated corporate expenses							(51,532)
Unallocated other gains and losses							301,245
Fair value gain on other financial assets at FVTPL							142,256
Fair value loss on loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL							(210,082)
Share of results of associates							(193,180)
Finance costs							(19,484)
Profit before taxation							356,248

For the year ended 31 December 2020

	Property development HK\$'000	Property management HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Financing services HK\$'000	Total for reportable segments HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000	Consolidated HK\$'000
REVENUE							
External sales	—	120,224	172,269	29,488	321,981	62,521	384,502
RESULT							
Segment results	(953)	8,531	128,262	4,203	140,043	(21,687)	118,356
Other income							90,701
Unallocated corporate expenses							(48,487)
Unallocated other gains and losses							(2,050)
Fair value gain on other financial assets at FVTPL							71,493
Fair value loss on loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL							(314,454)
Share of results of associates							(243,220)
Finance costs							(31,576)
Loss before taxation							(359,237)

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5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(B) Segment information (Continued)

The accounting policies of the reportable and operating segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies described in Note 3. Segment results represent the profit earned/loss incurred by each segment without allocation of other income, certain other gains and losses, central administration costs, directors' salaries, share of results of associates, change in fair value of other financial assets at FVTPL, loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL and finance costs.

No analysis of the Group's assets and liabilities by reportable and operating segments is disclosed as it is not regularly provided to the CODM for review.

Other segment information

	Property development HK\$'000	Property management HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Financing services HK\$'000	Others in operating segments HK\$'000	Unallocated HK\$'000	Consolidated HK\$'000
<i>For the year ended 31 December 2021</i>							
Amounts included in measure of segment results:							
Depreciation of other property, plant and equipment	–	395	42	43	11,862	12,052	24,394
Depreciation of right-of-use assets included in property, plant and equipment	–	–	1,296	515	–	6,385	8,196
Increase in fair value of investment properties	–	–	2,413	–	–	–	2,413
Net reversal of impairment losses under ECL model							
– loans receivables	–	–	–	2,743	–	–	2,743
– finance lease receivables	–	–	–	81	–	–	81
– trade receivables	–	–	–	11,132	–	–	11,132
Amounts regularly provided to CODM but not included in the measure of segment results:							
Fair value loss on loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL							
	–	–	–	–	–	210,082	210,082
Share of results of associates	–	–	–	–	–	193,180	193,180
Interest income (other than interest income from financing services)	–	–	–	–	–	79,517	79,517
Fair value gain on other financial assets at FVTPL	–	–	–	–	–	142,256	142,256
Finance costs	–	–	–	–	–	19,484	19,484

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	Property development <i>HK\$'000</i>	Property management <i>HK\$'000</i>	Property investment <i>HK\$'000</i>	Financing services <i>HK\$'000</i>	Others in operating segments <i>HK\$'000</i>	Unallocated <i>HK\$'000</i>	Consolidated <i>HK\$'000</i>
<u>For the year ended 31 December 2020</u>							
Amounts included in measure of segment results:							
Depreciation of other property, plant and equipment	–	333	847	60	17,008	6,088	24,336
Depreciation of right-of-use assets included in property, plant and equipment	–	–	1,209	486	–	7,748	9,443
Decrease in fair value of investment properties	–	–	25,872	–	–	–	25,872
Net Impairment losses under ECL model							
– loans receivables	–	–	–	9,676	–	–	9,676
– finance lease receivables	–	–	–	1,164	–	–	1,164
– trade receivables	–	–	–	4,793	–	–	4,793
Amounts regularly provided to CODM but not included in the measure of segment results:							
Fair value loss on loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL							
	–	–	–	–	–	314,454	314,454
Share of results of associates	–	–	–	–	–	243,220	243,220
Interest income (other than interest income from financing services)							
	–	–	–	–	–	84,555	84,555
Fair value gain on other financial assets at FVTPL	–	–	–	–	–	71,493	71,493
Finance costs	–	–	–	–	–	31,576	31,576

All the Group's revenue for both years is generated from the PRC. The Group's non-current assets other than financial instruments and deferred tax assets of HK\$3,303,085,000 (2020: HK\$3,121,785,000) and HK\$1,071,598,000 (2020: HK\$739,749,000), respectively, are located in the PRC and Hong Kong, based on the place of domicile of the group entities that hold such assets. No individual customer of the Group has contributed sales over 10% of the revenue of the Group during each of the year ended 31 December 2021 or 2020.

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6. OTHER INCOME

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Dividends from financial assets at FVTOCI	—	750
Dividends from financial assets at FVTPL	92,818	1,145
Interest income from bank deposits	74,524	70,450
Interest income on other financial assets at FVTPL	4,993	14,105
Others	4,387	4,251
	176,722	90,701

7. OTHER GAINS AND LOSSES

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment, net	—	(1,983)
Net exchange gains (losses)	182	(4,039)
Net reversal of impairment losses (impairment losses) under ECL model (note (i))		
– loans receivables	2,743	(9,676)
– finance lease receivables	81	(1,164)
– trade receivables	11,132	(4,793)
Gain on disposal of a subsidiary (note (ii))	—	1,989
Gain on dilution of interests in an associate (Note 16)	309,159	—
	323,297	(19,666)

Notes:

- (i) Details of impairment assessment for the year ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 are set out in Note 33.
- (ii) During the year ended 31 December 2020, the Group disposed of 100% equity interests in AA Finance (Hong Kong) Limited (“AA Finance”) to an associate of the Group, ZhongAn Technologies International Group Limited (“ZhongAn International”) at a cash consideration of HK\$2,000,000. As at date of disposal, AA Finance had cash and cash equivalents of HK\$1,187,000 and net asset value of HK\$11,000. It resulted in a gain on disposal of HK\$1,989,000.

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8. FINANCE COSTS

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Interest on borrowings	17,362	29,051
Interest on lease liabilities	412	890
Interest on deposits received for rental	1,710	1,635
	<u>19,484</u>	<u>31,576</u>

9. PROFIT (LOSS) BEFORE TAXATION

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Profit (loss) before taxation has been arrived at after charging (crediting):		
Auditor's remuneration	2,800	2,700
Staff costs including directors' remuneration		
Salaries	139,772	121,838
Retirement benefits schemes contributions	9,575	8,897
	<u>149,347</u>	<u>130,735</u>
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	32,590	33,779
Gross rental income from investment properties	(212,359)	(172,269)
Less: Direct operating expenses incurred for investment properties that generated rental income during the year	10,295	7,479
Less: Direct operating expenses incurred for investment properties that did not generate rental income during the year	2,025	18
	<u>(200,039)</u>	<u>(164,772)</u>

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10. DIRECTORS', CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S AND EMPLOYEES' REMUNERATION

The emoluments paid or payable to each of the 8 (2020: 8) directors of the Company were as follows:

	Year ended 31 December 2021								
	Executive directors		Non-executive directors			Independent non-executive directors			Total
	Mr. Xiang Ya Bo	Mr. Chen Wei	Mr. Ou Yaping	Mr. Ou Jin Yi Hugo	Mr. Tang Yui Man Francis	Mr. Xin Luo Lin	Mr. Tian Jin	Dr. Xiang Bing	
HK\$'000 (note e)	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Fees (Note a)	–	–	–	–	–	250	250	250	750
Other emoluments									
Salaries and other benefits (Notes b and c)	4,157	2,240	3,065	650	2,240	–	–	–	12,352
Bonuses (Note c)	500	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	500
Retirement benefits schemes contributions	18	42	42	18	18	–	–	–	138
Total emoluments	4,675	2,282	3,107	668	2,258	250	250	250	13,740

	Year ended 31 December 2020								
	Executive directors		Non-executive directors			Independent non-executive directors			Total
	Mr. Xiang Ya Bo	Mr. Chen Wei	Mr. Ou Yaping	Mr. Ou Jin Yi Hugo	Mr. Tang Yui Man Francis	Mr. Xin Luo Lin	Mr. Tian Jin	Dr. Xiang Bing	
HK\$'000 (note e)	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Fees (Note a)	–	–	–	–	–	250	250	250	750
Other emoluments									
Salaries and other benefits (Notes b and c)	3,906	2,240	3,061	650	2,240	–	–	–	12,097
Bonuses (Note c)	1,000	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1,000
Retirement benefits schemes contributions	18	42	42	18	18	–	–	–	138
Total emoluments	4,924	2,282	3,103	668	2,258	250	250	250	13,985

Notes:

- The director's fee of independent non-executive directors is determined by the board of directors and the remuneration committee of the Company with reference to their duties and responsibilities with the Group and to be authorised by the shareholders of the Company at the annual general meeting.
- The emoluments of the directors are covered by their respective service contracts and/or supplemental agreements or letters of appointment entered into with the Group.
- The annual salary increment and year-end discretionary bonus (if any) of executive directors and non-executive directors are based on the review and recommendation from the remuneration committee of the Company with reference to their duties and responsibilities within the Group, the Group's performance and the prevailing market situation.
- The executive directors' emoluments (including Mr. Xiang Ya Bo and Mr. Chen Wei) shown above were for their services in connection with the management of the affairs of the Company and the Group. The directors' emoluments of the non-executive directors (including Mr. Ou Yaping, Mr. Ou Jin Yi Hugo and Mr. Tang Yui Man Francis) were for their services as directors of the Company and certain subsidiaries undertaking. The independent non-executive directors' emoluments were for their services as directors of the Company.
- Mr. Xiang Ya Bo is also the chief executive of the Company and his remuneration disclosed above included these services rendered by him as chief executive.

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10. DIRECTORS', CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S AND EMPLOYEES' REMUNERATION (Continued)

Of the five individuals with the highest emoluments in the Group, four (2020: four) were directors of the Company whose emoluments are included in the disclosures above. The emoluments of the remaining one (2020: one) highest paid employee who was neither a director nor chief executive of the Company is follows:

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Salaries and other benefits	1,550	1,800
Retirement benefits schemes contributions	42	42
	1,592	1,842

The number of the highest paid employee who is not the director of the Company and whose remuneration fell within the following band:

	2021 Number of employee	2020 Number of employee
HK\$1,500,001 to HK\$2,000,000	1	1

During the year, no remuneration was paid by the Group to the five highest paid individuals or directors of the Group as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office. None of the directors has waived any remunerations for the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020.

11. TAXATION

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
The charge comprises:		
Current tax		
PRC Enterprise Income Tax	74,427	55,848
Deferred tax (Note 30)	36,504	7,032
	110,931	62,880

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11. TAXATION (Continued)

No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made in the consolidated financial statements as the amount involved was insignificant for both years.

Taxation for subsidiaries of the Group, which were established and principally operated in the PRC, is calculated at the rate of 25% of their assessable profits for the year ended 31 December 2021 (2020: 25%) according to the Law of the People's Republic of China on Enterprise Income Tax (the "EIT Law") and Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law.

Under the EIT Law of the PRC, withholding tax is imposed on the dividend declared to non-PRC tax residents in respect of profits earned by PRC subsidiaries from 1 January 2008 onwards.

In addition, Land Appreciation Tax (the "LAT") shall be levied at progressive rates ranging from 30% to 60% on the appreciation of land value, represented by the excess of sales proceeds of properties over prescribed direct costs. Prescribed direct costs are defined to include costs of land, development and construction costs, as well as certain costs relating to the property development. According to the State Administration of Taxation's official circulars, LAT shall be payable provisionally upon entering into pre-sales contracts of the properties, followed by final ascertainment of the gain at the completion of the properties development.

The taxation for the year can be reconciled to the profit (loss) before taxation per the consolidated statement of profit or loss as follows:

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Profit (loss) before taxation	356,248	(359,237)
Tax at the applicable tax rate of 25% (2020: 25%)	89,062	(89,809)
Tax effect of expenses not deductible for tax purpose	4,452	13,590
Tax effect of income not taxable for tax purpose	(87,099)	(4,210)
Tax effect of share of results of associates	48,295	60,805
Tax effect on deferred tax liabilities resulting from withholding tax on undistributed profits of subsidiaries	4,825	4,499
Tax effect of tax losses not recognised	152	3,111
Tax effect of deductible temporary differences not recognised	52,521	78,614
Utilisation of tax losses previously not recognised	—	(2,809)
Utilisation of deductible temporary difference previously not recognised	(1,277)	(911)
Taxation for the year	110,931	62,880

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11. TAXATION (Continued)

Since prior years, Hong Kong Inland Revenue Department (the “IRD”) queried against a subsidiary of the Group regarding the chargeability of notional interest income received from an associate of the Group in the tax returns for the years of assessment 2006/2007 to 2012/2013. In previous years, the IRD has issued estimated/additional assessments demanding final tax (the “Assessments”) for the years of assessment 2006/2007 to 2012/2013 and the Group has purchased tax reserve certificates of approximately HK\$134,750,000 (2020: HK\$134,750,000) for conditional standover order of objection against the notices of Assessments for the years of assessment 2006/2007 to 2012/2013 and the amount is presented as “other receivables” classified as non-current assets in the Group’s consolidated statement of financial position. In 2016, the IRD issued a letter informing the Group that the IRD would put up the case for Commissioner’s determination. In 2020, Commissioner has issued notice of objection to the Group and the Group has filed notice of appeal to Board of Review (Inland Revenue Ordinance) for hearing and determining tax appeals. Up to the date of issuance of these consolidated financial statements, the appeal hearing is yet to be held. Having considered advices from tax representatives, the directors of the Company are of the view that there were ample grounds to contest the tax positions of the subsidiary of the Group for the relevant years of assessments and hence it is not probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle this obligation and thus no provision is recognised.

Also, since prior years, the IRD queried against another subsidiary of the Group regarding the offshore income on the transactions between group entities in the tax returns for the year of assessment 2007/2008. Up to 31 December 2021, the Group has purchased tax reserve certificates of approximately HK\$23,649,000 (2020: HK\$23,649,000) for conditional standover order of objection and the amount is presented as “other receivables” classified as non-current assets in the Group’s consolidated statement of financial position. In 2016, the IRD issued a letter informing the Group that the IRD would put up the case for Commissioner’s determination. In 2020, Commissioner has issued notice of objection to the Group and the Group has filed notice of appeal to Board of Review (Inland Revenue Ordinance) for hearing and determining tax appeals. Up to the date of issuance of these consolidated financial statements, the appeal hearing is yet to be held. Having considered advices from tax representatives, the directors of the Company are of the view that there were ample grounds to contest the tax positions of the subsidiary of the Group for the relevant year of assessment and hence it is not probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle this obligation and thus no provision is recognised.

12. DIVIDENDS

No dividends were paid, declared or proposed during both years.

The directors of the Company do not recommend the payment of a dividend in respect of the year ended 31 December 2021 (2020: nil).

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13. EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share attributable to owners of the Company is based on the following data:

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Earnings (loss) for the year attributable to owners of the Company for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share	<u>190,711</u>	<u>(453,114)</u>
	Number of shares	
	2021	2020
		<i>(restated)</i>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share	<u>5,717,975,563</u>	<u>4,093,526,434</u>

The weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share has been adjusted for the bonus element of the rights issue on 15 April 2021.

The computation of diluted earnings (loss) per share does not assume the exercise of the Company's share options because the exercise price of those share options was higher than the average market price of shares for both 2021 and 2020.

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14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Leasehold lands and buildings <i>HK\$'000</i>	Hotel buildings <i>HK\$'000</i>	Building improvement in hotel <i>HK\$'000</i>	Furniture, fixtures and equipment <i>HK\$'000</i>	Motor vehicles <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
COST						
As at 1 January 2020	304,640	246,429	180,234	84,716	14,887	830,906
Currency realignment	17,299	15,801	11,559	3,520	739	48,918
Disposals	(11,464)	—	—	(7,964)	(156)	(19,584)
Additions	5,858	—	—	574	142	6,574
Derecognition upon sublease	(6,601)	—	—	—	—	(6,601)
As at 31 December 2020	309,732	262,230	191,793	80,846	15,612	860,213
Currency realignment	8,432	7,691	5,627	1,648	360	23,758
Disposals	—	—	—	(360)	—	(360)
Additions	3,373	—	—	518	6	3,897
As at 31 December 2021	321,537	269,921	197,420	82,652	15,978	887,508
DEPRECIATION AND IMPAIRMENT						
As at 1 January 2020	145,717	122,773	180,234	70,655	11,108	530,487
Currency realignment	8,751	8,448	11,559	2,973	593	32,324
Provided for the year	19,336	9,549	—	3,967	927	33,779
Eliminated on disposals	(10,046)	—	—	(5,321)	(156)	(15,523)
Eliminated on depreciation of sublease	(2,121)	—	—	—	—	(2,121)
As at 31 December 2020	161,637	140,770	191,793	72,274	12,472	578,946
Currency realignment	4,869	4,269	5,627	1,545	291	16,601
Provided for the year	21,395	9,039	—	1,296	860	32,590
Eliminated on disposals	—	—	—	(241)	—	(241)
As at 31 December 2021	187,901	154,078	197,420	74,874	13,623	627,896
CARRYING VALUES						
As at 31 December 2021	133,636	115,843	—	7,778	2,355	259,612
As at 31 December 2020	148,095	121,460	—	8,572	3,140	281,267

The carrying amount of the Group's leasehold land and buildings and hotel buildings comprises properties mainly situated in the PRC.

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14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

The above items of property, plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis, after taking into account their estimated residual values, at the following rates per annum:

Leasehold land and buildings	Over the shorter of its estimated useful life and the lease term
Hotel buildings	Over the shorter of the lease term and 20 years
Building improvement in hotel	20%
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	20% to 30%
Motor vehicles	20% to 30%

Right-of-use assets (included in the leasehold lands and buildings)

	Leasehold land HK\$'000	Leased properties HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Carrying amount			
As at 31 December 2021	59,927	2,465	62,392
As at 31 December 2020	59,495	8,088	67,583
For the year ended 31 December 2021			
Depreciation charge	1,296	6,900	8,196
Addition to right-of-use assets	—	1,267	1,267
For the year ended 31 December 2020			
Depreciation charge	1,209	8,234	9,443
Addition to right-of-use assets	—	715	715
Derecognition upon sublease	—	4,480	4,480
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		2021	2020
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Expense relating to short-term leases		1,095	916
Expense relating to leases of low-value assets, excluding short-term leases of low-value assets		93	93
Total cash outflow for leases		11,364	11,058
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>

For both years, the Group leases various offices for its operations. Lease contracts are entered into for fixed term of one to three years (2020: one to three years), but may have extension option as described below. Lease terms are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. In determining the lease term and assessing the length of the non-cancellable period, the Group applies the definition of a contract and determines the period for which the contract is enforceable.

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14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

Right-of-use assets (included in the leasehold lands and buildings) (Continued)

In addition, the Group owns offices and hotel buildings. The Group is the registered owner of these property interests, including the underlying leasehold lands. Lump sum payments were made upfront to acquire these property interests. The leasehold land components of these owned properties are presented separately only if the payments made can be allocated reliably.

The Group regularly entered into short-term leases for offices. As at 31 December 2021 and 2020, the portfolio of short-term leases is similar to the portfolio of short-term leases to which the short-term lease expense for years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 disclosed above.

The Group has extension option in a lease for an office. It is used to maximise operational flexibility in terms of managing the assets used in the Group's operations. The extension option held is exercisable only by the Group and not by the lessor.

The Group assesses at lease commencement date whether it is reasonably certain to exercise the extension option. The potential exposures to these future lease payments for extension option in which the Group is not reasonably certain to exercise is summarised below:

	Potential future lease payments not included in lease liabilities (undiscounted)	Lease liabilities recognised as at	Potential future lease payments not included in lease liabilities (undiscounted)
31 December 2021 HK\$'000	31 December 2021 HK\$'000	31 December 2020 HK\$'000	31 December 2020 HK\$'000
Office – Hong Kong	2,282	11,111	27,629

During the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020, the Group did not exercise any renewal options.

In addition, the Group reassesses whether it is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option upon the occurrence of either a significant event or a significant change in circumstances that is within the control of the lessee. During the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020, there is no such triggering event.

Impairment assessment on hotel buildings

In previous years, the Group recorded an impairment loss on hotel buildings due to the loss-making hotel operation suffered by the Group. As at 31 December 2021, the aggregate impairment losses on hotel buildings was HK\$58,882,000 (2020: HK\$58,882,000).

The Group carried out a review of the recoverable amount of the hotel. The recoverable amount of the hotel buildings as at 31 December 2021 and 2020 has been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out by Messrs. Cushman & Wakefield Limited ("C&W"), an independent professional valuer which is not connected with the Group, who are the members of The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors.

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14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

Impairment assessment on hotel buildings (Continued)

As at 31 December 2021, the recoverable amount of hotel buildings was assessed based on fair value less costs of disposal. The fair value of the hotel building was determined based on income capitalisation approach, which the fair value measurement categorised within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. There has been no change to the valuation technique during both years. One of the key unobservable inputs used in valuation was adjusted room rent of RMB30 (2020: RMB33) per square meter per month. A 5% (2020: 5%) decrease in adjusted room rent used would result 4.6% (2020: 4.2%) decrease in the fair value measurement, and vice versa. Another key unobservable input used in the valuation was capitalisation rate of 10% (2020: 10%). A 1% (2020: 1%) increase in capitalisation rate used would result 8.3% (2020: 8.5%) decrease in the fair value measurement, and vice versa.

Since the recoverable amount of the hotel buildings and building improvement in hotel determined based on the above is approximate to the carrying amount as at 31 December 2021 and 2020, no impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss during the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020.

15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

The Group leases out various offices, retail premises and car parks located in the PRC under operating leases with rentals payable monthly. The leases typically run for an initial period of one to twelve years. The leases of retail stores contain variable lease payment that are based on 2.5% to 25% (2020: 2.5% to 25%) sales and minimum annual lease payment that are fixed over the lease term.

The lease contracts do not contain residual value guarantee or lessee's option to purchase the property at the end of lease term.

	<i>HK\$'000</i>
FAIR VALUE	
As at 1 January 2020	2,599,888
Currency realignment	165,295
Decrease in fair value of investment properties	<u>(25,872)</u>
As at 31 December 2020	2,739,311
Currency realignment	80,403
Increase in fair value of investment properties	<u>2,413</u>
As at 31 December 2021	<u><u>2,822,127</u></u>

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15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (Continued)

The fair values of the completed investment properties as at 31 December 2021 and 2020 have been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out on those dates by C&W.

The management of the Group works closely with the independent professional valuer to establish and determine the appropriate valuation techniques and inputs. Where there is a material change in the fair value of the assets, the causes of the fluctuations will be reported to the executive directors of the Company to explain the cause of the fluctuations.

The fair values of office, retail premises and car parks were determined based on the income capitalisation approach, where the rentals of all lettable units of the properties are assessed and discounted at the capitalisation rates expected by investors for this type of properties. The rentals are assessed based on estimates of future cash flows, supported by the terms of existing lease, the market rents of the similar properties in the neighbourhood and adjustments to market rents. The capitalisation rate is determined by reference to the yields derived from similar properties in Shenzhen and adjusted to take into account the market expectation from property investors to reflect factors specific to the Group's investment properties so to estimate the reversionary rental value.

There has been no change from the valuation technique used in the prior year.

In estimating the fair value of the properties, the highest and best use of the properties is their current use.

The fair values of investment properties have been adjusted to exclude prepaid or accrued operating lease income to avoid double counting.

The fair value of investment properties as disclosed below are determined (in particular, the valuation techniques and input used), as well as the fair value hierarchy in which the fair value measurements are categorised (Levels 1 to 3) based on the degree to which significant inputs used in the fair value measurement is observable.

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15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (Continued)

Information about fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs

The following table shows the valuation techniques used in the determination of fair values for investment properties and unobservable inputs used in the valuation models.

Description	Fair value HK\$'000	Fair value hierarchy	Valuation techniques	Key inputs	Range of significant inputs	Relationship of inputs to fair value
<u>As at 31 December 2021</u>						
Office and retail premises	2,073,350	Level 3	Income capitalisation approach	(i) Capitalisation rate taking into account the capitalisation of existing contracts rent, market rent and nature of property (ii) Market rent	4.25% – 6.75% (a) Office: RMB148 to RMB178 per month per square meter (b) Retails: RMB121 to RMB167 per month per square meter	(i) The higher the capitalisation rate, the lower the fair value. (ii) The higher the market rent, the higher the fair value.
Car parks	748,777	Level 3	Income capitalisation approach	(i) Capitalisation rate taking into account the capitalisation of existing contracts rent, market rent and nature of car parks (ii) Market rent (iii) Adjustments to market rent (location, size and decoration standard)	4.25% RMB250 to RMB600 per month per square meter 80% – 105%	(i) The higher the capitalisation rate, the lower the fair value. (ii) The higher the market rent, the higher the fair value. (iii) The higher the premium/discount, the higher/lower the fair value.
	<u>2,822,127</u>					

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15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (Continued)

Description	Fair value HK\$'000	Fair value hierarchy	Valuation techniques	Key inputs	Range of significant inputs	Relationship of inputs to fair value
<u>As at 31 December 2020</u>						
Office and retail premises	2,011,876	Level 3	Income capitalisation approach	(i) Capitalisation rate taking into account the capitalisation of existing contracts rent, market rent and nature of property (ii) Market rent	4.25% – 6.75% (a) Office: RMB150 to RMB158 per month per square meter (b) Retails: RMB117 to RMB150 per month per square meter	(i) The higher the capitalisation rate, the lower the fair value. (ii) The higher the market rent, the higher the fair value.
				(iii) Adjustments to market rent (location, size and decoration standard)	94% – 105%	(iii) The higher the premium/discount, the higher/lower the fair value.
Car parks	727,435	Level 3	Income capitalisation approach	(i) Capitalisation rate taking into account the capitalisation of existing contracts rent, market rent and nature of car parks (ii) Market rent (iii) Adjustments to market rent (location and facilities standard)	4.25% RMB250 to RMB600 per month per square meter 80% – 105%	(i) The higher the capitalisation rate, the lower the fair value. (ii) The higher the market rent, the higher the fair value. (iii) The higher the premium/discount, the higher/lower the fair value.
	<u>2,739,311</u>					

There were no transfers into or out of Level 3 during both years.

All of the Group's interests in leasehold land in respect of completed properties and buildings to earn rentals or for capital appreciation purposes are measured using the fair value model.

At 31 December 2021, the Group's investment properties with carrying values of HK\$563,570,000 (2020: nil) were pledged to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group.

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16. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000
Cost of unlisted interests in associates	1,843,989	1,317,451
Share of post-acquisition results and other comprehensive income and gain on dilution of interests in an associate	(551,045)	(476,495)
	<u>1,292,944</u>	<u>840,956</u>

Details of the Group's principal associates as at 31 December 2021 and 2020 are as follows:

Name of associate	Place of incorporation/ establishment and form of business structure	Principal place of operation	Percentage of equity interest attributable to the Group		Principal activities
			2021	2020	
<i>Interest directly held by the Group</i>					
RGAP	BVI – limited liability company	PRC	49%	49%	Investment holding
ZhongAn International	Hong Kong – limited liability company	Hong Kong	43.21%	49%	Technology Development/ Technology Consulting
Chongqing ZhongAn Loan Co., Ltd. ("Chongqing ZhongAn")	PRC – sino-foreign equity joint venture	PRC	17.64%	17.64%	Money lending in the PRC
MMT E Buy (Cayman) Corporation ("MMT E Buy")	Cayman Islands – limited liability company	PRC	N/A	N/A [^]	Investment holding
<i>Key subsidiaries of RGAP*</i>					
Shanghai Bund de Rockefeller Group Master Development Co., Ltd. ("Shanghai Rockefeller")	PRC – sino-foreign equity joint venture	PRC	44.57%#	44.57%#	Property development and property investment
Shanghai Rockbund Property Management Limited	PRC – limited liability company	PRC	44.57%#	44.57%#	Property management

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16. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

Details of the Group's principal associates as at 31 December 2021 and 2020 are as follows:

Name of associate	Place of incorporation/ establishment and form of business structure	Principal place of operation	Percentage of equity interest attributable to the Group		Principal activities
			2021	2020	
<i>Key subsidiaries of ZhongAn International®</i>					
ZA Tech Global Limited	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	21.17%#	24.01%#	Technology Development/ Technology Consulting
ZA Bank Limited	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	43.21%#	49%#	Virtual banking
ZA Life Limited	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	28.09%#	31.85%#	Life insurance
<i>Key subsidiary of MMT E Buy*</i>					
深圳市融壹買信息科技有限公司	PRC – limited liability company	PRC	N/A	N/A [^]	Online lending platform

* RGAP has 90.96% interest in Shanghai Rockefeller and Shanghai Rockbund Property Management Limited as at 31 December 2021 and 2020. MMT E Buy had 100% interest in 深圳市融壹買信息科技有限公司 as at 31 December 2020.

[^] As at 31 December 2020, the Group had 15% voting rights in the shareholders' meetings of MMT E Buy. Details are set out below under the heading "MMT E Buy" in this note.

The percentage represented the effective interest in these entities by the Group.

® ZhongAn International has 49% interest in ZA Tech Global Limited. The directors of ZhongAn International considered that ZhongAn International controls ZA Tech Global Limited, even though it holds less than half of the equity interests as the subscription agreement signed between the shareholders of ZA Tech Global Limited grants ZhongAn International the right to appoint a majority of the board of directors who is responsible for directing the relevant activities of ZA Tech Global Limited.

ZhongAn International has 100% and 65% interest in ZA Bank Limited and ZA Life Limited, respectively.

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16. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

Summarised financial information in respect of each of the Group's material associates is set out below. The summarised financial information below represents amounts shown in the associates' financial statements prepared in accordance with HKFRSs.

RGAP Group

The functional currency of RGAP is RMB. For financial reporting purpose, the assets and liabilities of RGAP Group are translated into HK\$ using exchange rates prevailing at the end of the reporting period, while income and expenses items are translated at the average exchange rate for the year.

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current assets (mainly represented by investment properties)	6,394,136	6,017,570
Current assets (mainly represented by properties under development for sale)	1,704,563	1,582,011
Current liabilities	(868,024)	(906,510)
Non-current liabilities (mainly represented by amounts due to shareholders)	(9,244,866)	(8,613,010)
Net liabilities	(2,014,191)	(1,919,939)
Deficit in equity attributable to owners of RGAP	(1,969,576)	(1,880,843)
Non-controlling interests of RGAP's subsidiaries	(44,615)	(39,096)
	(2,014,191)	(1,919,939)
Revenue	201,208	177,374
Other gains and losses	175,260	20,847
Total expenses	(362,931)	(252,591)
Tax (charge) credit	(50,435)	51,695
Loss for the year (note (i))	(36,898)	(2,675)
Group's reversal of share of loss (2020: share of loss) of associates for the year (note (ii))	153,838	(1,310)

Notes:

- (i) Based on the agreement between RGAP and non-controlling shareholder of Shanghai Rockefeller, non-controlling shareholder of Shanghai Rockefeller, would not share any of the losses incurred by Shanghai Rockefeller. Subsequent profits earned by Shanghai Rockefeller will be used first to recover the losses borne by RGAP, and then be shared by RGAP and non-controlling shareholder of Shanghai Rockefeller based on their profit sharing ratio.
- (ii) As mentioned in Note 18, the fair value loss of HK\$210,082,000 is recognised on loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL due to the renewed its banking facility of RGAP and the fair value of the loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL before share of loss and other comprehensive expenses of associates in excess of cost of investment is HK\$704,082,000 and nil respectively as at 31 December 2021. The Group limits the recognition of the RGAP Group's losses to HK\$704,082,000 as the carrying amount of its net investment in RGAP Group is then zero, the Group reversed the share of loss of RGAP Group recognised in previous years of HK\$153,838,000 during the year ended 31 December 2021.

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16. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

RGAP Group (Continued)

Reconciliation of the above summarised consolidated financial information to the carrying amount of the interest in the associate recognised in the consolidated financial statements:

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000
Net liabilities of RGAP Group attributable to owners of RGAP	(1,969,576)	(1,880,843)
Proportion of the Group's ownership interest in RGAP Group	49%	49%
Carrying amount of the Group's interest in RGAP Group	—	—

The cumulative loss in excess of cost of interest in RGAP recognised against loan receivable from RGAP is disclosed in Note 18. Cumulative unrecognised share of loss of RGAP is HK\$171,918,000 (2020: nil) as at 31 December 2021.

Chongqing ZhongAn

During the year ended 31 December 2021, all shareholders of Chongqing ZhongAn further invested in Chongqing ZhongAn in proportion to their existing shareholding and the Group has invested HK\$107,334,000 in cash.

The management of the Group considers that the Group has significant influence over Chongqing ZhongAn because the Group can appoint one out of five directors of Chongqing ZhongAn to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of Chongqing ZhongAn based on the shareholders' agreement. Thus, the Group can exercise its significant influence over Chongqing ZhongAn.

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16. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

Chongqing ZhongAn (Continued)

The functional currency of Chongqing ZhongAn is RMB. For financial reporting purpose, the assets and liabilities of Chongqing ZhongAn are translated into HK\$ using exchange rates prevailing at the end of the reporting period, while income and expenses items are translated at the average exchange rate for the year. Details of the financial information of Chongqing ZhongAn are as follows:

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current assets	6,660	5,517
Current assets (mainly represented by loan receivables)	1,777,709	827,541
Current liabilities	(202,379)	(213,418)
Non-current liabilities	(290,626)	—
Net assets	1,291,364	619,640
Revenue	268,659	143,610
Provision for loss allowance on financial assets	(65,468)	(11,353)
Administrative expenses	(153,456)	(124,456)
Taxation	(12,956)	—
Profit for the year	36,779	7,801
Group's share of profit of associate for the year	6,488	1,376

Reconciliation of the above summarised financial information of Chongqing ZhongAn to the carrying amount of the interest in the associate recognised in the consolidated financial statements:

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Net assets attributable to owners of Chongqing ZhongAn	1,291,364	619,640
Proportion of the Group's ownership interest in Chongqing ZhongAn	17.64%	17.64%
Currency realignment	227,797	109,304
	(3,963)	708
Carrying amount of the Group's interest in Chongqing ZhongAn	223,834	110,012

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16. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

ZhongAn International and its subsidiaries (collectively known as “ZhongAn International Group”)

As at 1 January 2020, the Group has 49% equity interests in ZhongAn International.

During the year ended 31 December 2020, the Group has further subscribed for 588,000,000 new ordinary shares of ZhongAn International, in proportion to its existing shareholding for HK\$650,999,000 in cash. Upon the subscription of shares, the Group continues to hold 49% equity interests in ZhongAn International as at 31 December 2020.

During the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group has further subscribed for 74,212,258 new ordinary shares of ZhongAn International for HK\$381,580,000 in cash. Also, ZhongAn International has issued new shares to ZhongAn Information Technology Services Co., Limited (“ZhongAn Technology”), the another shareholder of ZhongAn International, and two independent third parties during the year ended 31 December 2021 and thus, the Group’s equity interests in ZhongAn International is decreased from 49% to 43.21% as at 31 December 2021. The dilution of the interests in ZhongAn International resulted in a gain of approximately HK\$309,159,000, being the difference between the proportionate share of ZhongAn International’s net assets attributable to the Group and the carrying amount of the interests in ZhongAn International before the dilution, recognised in the profit or loss during the year ended 31 December 2021.

During the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group also agreed to invest RMB500,000,000 (equivalent to HK\$600,197,000) in consideration for redeemable preference shares of ZhongAn International (“Redeemable Preference Shares”). As the rights and obligations of the ownership over Redeemable Preference Shares are different from the ownership of ordinary shares of ZhongAn International, the Group’s investment in Redeemable Preference Shares is accounted for in accordance with HKFRS 9 and measured at FVTPL. Details of the Redeemable Preference Shares are disclosed in Note 23.

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16. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

ZhongAn International and its subsidiaries (collectively known as “ZhongAn International Group”) (Continued)

Details of the financial information of ZhongAn International Group are as follows:

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current assets (mainly represented by financial assets at FVTOCI)	6,451,376	676,313
Current assets (mainly represented by cash and cash equivalents)	5,707,546	8,804,905
Current liabilities (mainly represented by deposits from customers)	(8,431,585)	(6,859,531)
Non-current liabilities	(182,631)	(6,574)
Net assets	<u>3,544,706</u>	<u>2,615,113</u>
Surplus in equity attributable to owners of ZhongAn International	2,215,530	1,340,105
Redeemable preference shares	1,047,192	938,709
Non-controlling interests of subsidiaries of ZhongAn International	281,984	336,299
	<u>3,544,706</u>	<u>2,615,113</u>
Total revenue	671,947	272,474
Total expenses	(1,494,740)	(900,791)
Other income, other gains and losses	12,281	52,465
Share of results of associates and joint ventures	(17,067)	(33,953)
Income tax	(224)	(73)
Loss for the year	(827,803)	(609,878)
Other comprehensive expense for the year	(51,740)	—
Total comprehensive expense for the year	<u>(879,543)</u>	<u>(609,878)</u>
Loss for the year attributable to:		
Owners of ZhongAn International	(740,897)	(496,502)
Non-controlling interests of subsidiaries of ZhongAn International	(86,906)	(113,376)
	<u>(827,803)</u>	<u>(609,878)</u>
Other comprehensive expense for the year attributable to:		
Owners of ZhongAn International	(44,807)	—
Non-controlling interests of subsidiaries of ZhongAn International	(6,933)	—
	<u>(51,740)</u>	<u>—</u>
Group's share of loss of associate for the year	(353,506)	(243,286)
Group's share of other comprehensive expense of associate for the year	(21,703)	—

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16. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

ZhongAn International and its subsidiaries (collectively known as “ZhongAn International Group”) (Continued)

Reconciliation of the above summarised financial information of ZhongAn International Group to the carrying amount of the interest in the associate recognised in the consolidated financial statements:

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Net assets attributable to owners of ZhongAn International	2,215,530	1,340,105
Proportion of the Group's ownership interest in ZhongAn International	43.21%	49%
	957,331	656,651
Currency realignment	65,852	44,056
Other adjustment (note)	45,927	30,237
Carrying amount of the Group's interest in ZhongAn International	1,069,110	730,944

Note:

Other adjustment represented the Group's contribution to ZhongAn International which is not in proportion to equity interest shared by the Group and transaction with non-controlling shareholder by ZhongAn International.

MMT E Buy

During the year ended 31 December 2018, the Group subscribed a redeemable convertible preference shares in MMT E Buy with a cash consideration of HK\$113,482,000. The Group can convert the preference shares into fully-paid ordinary shares of MMT E Buy and has rights to receive dividend from MMT E Buy. The Group has the right to redeem all or any portion of this redeemable convertible preference shares on or before 31 December 2021 upon occurrence of the breach of obligation or dishonesty by MMT E Buy or the majority shareholder of MMT E Buy at the redemption price of the amount the Group's contribution attributable to redeemable convertible preference shares plus the higher of (i) simple rate of 10% per annum or (ii) per share fair value on the redeemable convertible preference shares. In the event of liquidation, the Group ranks in priority to other classes of shares in MMT E Buy at the price of the amount the Group's contribution attributable to redeemable convertible preference shares plus all accrued or declared but unpaid dividends to such shares. As the rights and obligations of the ownership over this redeemable convertible preference shares is substantially different from the ownership of ordinary shares of MMT E Buy, the Group's investment in this redeemable convertible preference shares is accounted for in accordance with HKFRS 9 and measured at FVTPL in Note 23(ii).

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16. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

MMT E Buy (Continued)

Other than the terms mentioned above, the Group has the rights to vote in the meetings of MMT E Buy and the Group has the rights to appoint one out of three directors to MMT E Buy. As at 31 December 2020, the Group has 15% voting rights in the meetings of MMT E Buy. The relevant activities of MMT E Buy are controlled by the board of directors and the decisions of the board of directors are made through the majority vote in the meetings of board of directors. Accordingly, the Group is able to exercise significant influence over MMT E Buy.

During the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group has disposed of the entire redeemable convertible preference shares in MMT E Buy. The Group ceased the significant influence over MMT E Buy because the Group no longer has the rights to appoint any directors to MMT E Buy upon the disposal of redeemable convertible preference shares in MMT E Buy.

The functional currency of MMT E Buy is RMB. For financial reporting purpose, the assets and liabilities of MMT E Buy are translated into HK\$ using exchange rates prevailing at the end of the reporting period, while income and expenses items are translated at the average exchange rate for the year. Details of the financial information of MMT E Buy during the year ended 31 December 2020 were as follows:

	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Non-current assets	99,216
Current assets	91,332
Current liabilities	(58,470)
Non-current liabilities	(2)
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Net assets	132,076
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	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Revenue	115,801
Selling and administrative expenses and other gain and losses	(157,386)
Tax charge	(132)
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Loss for the year	(41,717)
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Group's share of loss of associate for the year (note)	—
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Note: For the purposes of HKAS 28, equity method is not applicable as the rights and obligations of the ownership over the redeemable convertible preference shares is substantially different from the ownership of ordinary shares of MMT E Buy.

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17. EQUITY INSTRUMENTS AT FVTOCI

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000
Equity instruments at FVTOCI comprise:		
Equity securities of ZhongAn Online, at fair value (note (i))	1,851,996	2,334,621
Equity securities of an entity listed in Hong Kong, at fair value	65,300	—
Unlisted equity securities in Hong Kong, the PRC and overseas, at fair value	124,850	194,259
Total (note (ii))	<u>2,042,146</u>	<u>2,528,880</u>

Notes:

- (i) As at 31 December 2020, all the shares of ZhongAn Online owned by the Group are with lock-up period. During year ended 31 December 2021, lock-up period of certain number of shares of ZhongAn Online has been expired.

The marketability of the shares with lock-up period is different from those publicly traded. The fair value of equity securities in ZhongAn Online with lock-up period as at 31 December 2021 and 2020 has been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out by an independent professional valuer. Details of the fair value estimation are set out in Note 33.

- (ii) The Group has made an irrevocable election to designate these investments in equity instruments as at FVTOCI. These investments are not held for trading, instead, they are held for long-term strategic purposes. The directors of the Company have elected to designate these investments in equity instruments as at FVTOCI as they believe that recognising short-term fluctuations in these investments' fair value in profit or loss would not be consistent with the Group's strategy of holding these investments for long-term purposes and realising their performance potential in the long run.

18. LOAN RECEIVABLE FROM AN ASSOCIATE AT FVTPL/AMOUNTS DUE FROM ASSOCIATES AT FVTPL

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000
Loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL	704,082	865,231
Less: Share of loss and other comprehensive expenses of associates in excess of cost of investment	(704,082)	(857,920)
	<u>—</u>	<u>7,311</u>
Amounts due from associates at FVTPL	<u>—</u>	<u>26,289</u>

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18. LOAN RECEIVABLE FROM AN ASSOCIATE AT FVTPL/AMOUNTS DUE FROM ASSOCIATES AT FVTPL (Continued)

RGAP Group is principally engaged in property development and property investment in Shanghai. The amount represents a shareholder's loan receivable from RGAP for financing a property development and property investment project in Shanghai, which carries a 20% coupon interest rate per annum and forms part of the net investment in RGAP. As the loan receivable from an associate was considered as a net investment, the Group has recognised its share of loss of RGAP in excess of the cost of investment against the loan receivable from an associate.

As at 31 December 2021 and 2020, amounts due from associates, which represented the current account with RGAP Group, were unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand. The loan receivable from an associate is unsecured and has no fixed repayment terms. The directors of the Company consider that the loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL will not be repayable within one year from the end of the reporting period, they are classified as non-current asset accordingly.

Loan receivable from an associate and the amounts due from associates represent an investment in the project of RGAP. In accordance with the investment agreement, the Group and the other shareholder contributed minimal amount of capital and substantially all portion of the associates' capital expenditures/operations were funded through loan receivable from an associate and amounts due from associates by the Group and a detailed analysis of the particular facts and circumstances led to the conclusion that these amounts are not held within a business model whose objective is to collect contractual cash flows at the initial application of HKFRS 9. Hence, loan receivable from an associate as well as the amounts due from associates are both measured at FVTPL. The directors of the Company assessed the fair value of the loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL by taking into consideration the expected time to sell the residential properties and the expected market price and the future rental income of the properties, where appropriate, in order to determine the estimated future cash flows to the Group and timing of such cash flows discounted at market interest rate. During the year ended 31 December 2021, RGAP renewed its banking facility and the revised terms of the facility placed certain limitations that RGAP can repay the loan to the Group upon the full repayment of its bank borrowings. As such, the Group has revised its timing of the expected receipts on the repayment from RGAP. Details of the valuation techniques and key inputs are stated in Note 33.

A fair value loss of HK\$210,082,000 (2020: HK\$314,454,000) is recognised in profit or loss during the year ended 31 December 2021. The Group limits the recognition of the RGAP Group's losses to HK\$704,082,000 as the carrying amount of its net investment in RGAP is then zero, the Group reversed the share of loss of RGAP Group recognised in previous years of HK\$153,838,000 during the year ended 31 December 2021. Accordingly, the Group has net loss of HK\$56,244,000 (representing the fair value loss of HK\$210,082,000 and reversal of share of loss of HK\$153,838,000) in respect of investment in RGAP being recognised in the profit or loss during the year ended 31 December 2021.

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19. STOCK OF PROPERTIES

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Properties under development	<u>951,774</u>	<u>935,818</u>

As at 31 December 2021, properties under development of HK\$951,774,000 (2020: HK\$935,818,000) represent the carrying amount of the properties expected to be completed more than one year from the end of the reporting period upon the Group's revision on the selling strategy over the properties under development during the year.

	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Analysis of leasehold lands:	
As at 1 January 2020	378,533
Currency realignment	<u>24,325</u>
As at 31 December 2020	402,858
Currency realignment	<u>11,820</u>
As at 31 December 2021	<u>414,678</u>

The carrying amount of leasehold lands is measured under HKFRS 16 at cost less any accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. The residual values are determined as the estimated disposal value of the leasehold land component. No depreciation charge is made on the leasehold lands taking into account the estimated residual values as at 31 December 2021 and 2020.

20. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES, DEPOSITS AND PREPAYMENTS

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Trade receivables from property management and property investment business	4,729	4,610
Trade receivables from financing services	<u>—</u>	<u>13,714</u>
	4,729	18,324
Less: allowance for credit loss	<u>—</u>	<u>(13,714)</u>
Total trade receivables	4,729	4,610
Interest receivables from bank deposits	17,111	90,643
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	<u>31,594</u>	<u>27,057</u>
	<u>53,434</u>	<u>122,310</u>

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20. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES, DEPOSITS AND PREPAYMENTS (Continued)

As at 1 January 2020, the carrying amount of trade receivables is HK\$7,285,000.

The Group allows an average credit period ranging from 0 to 60 days to its customers of property management and property investment business from invoices issuance dates. The Group allows a credit period of 30 days to its customers of financing business. The following is an aged analysis of trade receivables presented based on invoice dates at the end of the reporting period, net of allowance for credit loss:

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000
Aged:		
0 to 60 days	3,348	3,683
61 to 180 days	1,186	546
Over 181 days	195	381
	4,729	4,610

Management of the Group closely monitors the credit quality of trade receivables and considers the trade receivables that are neither past due nor impaired to be of a good credit quality.

As at 31 December 2021, trade receivables from property management and property investment of HK\$1,381,000 (2020: HK\$927,000) are past due. Management of the Group considers that the ECL for trade receivables from property management and property investment business is insignificant as the debtors have good settlement history as at 31 December 2021 and 2020.

During the year ended 31 December 2020, the directors of the Company considered the gross carrying amount of trade receivables from financing services of HK\$13,714,000 as in default and credit-impaired in view of significant financial difficulty and suspension of the operation of the customer and no settlement arrangement could be made during the year ended 31 December 2020 after discussion with this debtor. Thus, the management of the Group considered a full impairment on the gross carrying amount of this debtor as at 31 December 2020. During the year ended 31 December 2021, a settlement arrangement has been made with this debtor. The Group has received settlement of such trade receivables of HK\$11,132,000 and written-off the remaining trade receivables of HK\$2,582,000 during the year ended 31 December 2021.

The Group applies simplified approach to provide for ECL for trade receivables prescribed by HKFRS 9. Details of the ECL of trade receivables, other receivables and deposits were disclosed in Note 33.

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21. LOANS RECEIVABLES

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Factoring loans receivables with recourse (note (i))	—	92,883
Other loans receivables (note (ii))	562,236	310,603
	562,236	403,486
Less: allowance for credit loss	(10,711)	(13,106)
Total	551,525	390,380
Analysed for reporting purposes as:		
Non-current	383,822	268,779
Current	167,703	121,601
Total	551,525	390,380

Notes:

- (i) The Group provided loan factoring services to independent third parties, in terms of which the independent third parties factor to the Group a portfolio of loans or receivables originated by them to the underlying customers. According to the factoring agreements signed between the independent third parties and the Group, the legal title of the receivables of the underlying customers were transferred to the Group and the independent third parties were responsible for the management of the underlying customer receivables, including the collection of receivables from the underlying customers. Also, such receivable was recourse by the independent third parties and repayable by instalment based on the terms of the factoring agreement. In the event of default of repayment by the underlying customers, the Group had the right to request independent third parties to repurchase the outstanding receivables of the underlying customers plus accrued interest. The independent third parties were obliged to repay to the Group within 5 days upon their collection of money from the underlying customers, and the Group expected to realise such amounts by collecting the repayments from the independent third parties. The effective interest rates of the factoring loans receivables was 5.5% per annum as at 31 December 2020. The management of the Group reviewed and assessed for impairment loans receivables originated by them individually and continues to monitor any significant changes.

As at 31 December 2020, none of factoring loans receivables was past due or credit-impaired.

- (ii) Other loans receivables to independent third parties are unsecured, carried at fixed interest rate ranged from 4.0% to 7.0% (2020: 4.9% to 6.0%) per annum and will be matured in 2022 to 2023 (2020: 2021 to 2023).

As at 31 December 2021 and 2020, none of the other loan receivables is past due or credit-impaired.

Details of ECL on loans receivables are set out in Note 33.

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22. FINANCE LEASE RECEIVABLES

The Group purchased equipment or leased premises from independent third parties and leased these equipment and premises to lessees under finance leases. The leases are denominated in RMB or HK\$. The term of finance leases entered into is one to five years.

	Minimum lease payments 2021 HK\$'000	Present value of minimum lease payments 2021 HK\$'000	Minimum lease payments 2020 HK\$'000	Present value of minimum lease payments 2020 HK\$'000
Finance lease receivables comprise:				
Within one year	5,286	5,277	9,248	8,186
In the second year	2	1	770	766
In the third year	—	—	2	1
Gross investment in the lease	5,288	5,278	10,020	8,953
Less: Unearned finance income	(10)	N/A	(1,067)	N/A
Present value of lease obligations	5,278	5,278	8,953	8,953
Less: allowance for credit loss	(5,273)	(5,273)	(5,202)	(5,202)
	<u>5</u>		<u>3,751</u>	
Less: Amounts receivable within one year (shown as current assets)		<u>(4)</u>		<u>(2,984)</u>
Amount receivable after one year (shown as non-current assets)		<u>1</u>		<u>767</u>

The effective interest rates of the finance leases as at 31 December 2021 range from 5.5% to 10.0% (2020: 5.5% to 10.0%) per annum.

During the year ended 31 December 2020, the Group subleased certain areas of the remaining lease term of the head lease in Hong Kong. The carrying amount of finance lease receivables in respect of this sublease is HK\$3,751,000 as at 31 December 2020. The sublease has been terminated during the year ended 31 December 2021.

There was no unguaranteed residual value in connection with finance lease arrangements or contingent lease arrangements that needed to be recorded as at the end of the reporting period.

The finance lease receivables of HK\$5,000 (2020: HK\$3,751,000) as at 31 December 2021 are neither past due nor impaired.

As at 31 December 2021, the directors of the Company considered the gross carrying amount of HK\$5,273,000 (2020: HK\$5,202,000) as in default and credit-impaired in view of no settlement arrangement could be made during the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 and the Group took legal action against the debtor to recover the amount.

Details of ECL on finance lease receivables are set out in Note 33.

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23. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FVTPL

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Other financial assets at FVTPL comprise:		
Equity securities listed in Hong Kong	6,728	7,239
Equity securities listed in the PRC	21,619	22,424
Equity securities listed in the overseas	22,255	—
Investments in Redeemable Preference Shares (note (i))	633,473	—
Investments in redeemable convertible preference shares of an entity (note (ii))	—	68,135
Senior notes listed in Hong Kong	—	22,833
Unlisted fund investments in the PRC (note (iii))	320,981	215,270
Unlisted fund investments in the overseas	144,354	108,152
	<u>1,149,410</u>	<u>444,053</u>
Analysed for reporting purposes as:		
Non-current	1,121,063	88,406
Current	28,347	355,647
	<u>1,149,410</u>	<u>444,053</u>

Notes:

- (i) The Group has subscribed Redeemable Preference Shares, as disclosed in Note 16, of RMB500,000,000 (equivalent to HK\$600,197,000) during the year 31 December 2021. ZhongAn International has the right to redeem from the Group all or any portion of Redeemable Preference Shares within 5 years from the date of the issuance of Redeemable Preference Shares, which the term shall be renewed automatically every 5 years, subject to any veto by any of the Group or ZhongAn Technology, another shareholder of ZhongAn International, at the principal amount of the Redeemable Preference Shares being redeemed plus simple rate of 5.5% per annum on the amount redeemed calculated from the date of the relevant contribution by the Group on a pro-rata basis. Also, the Group granted to ZhongAn Technology a call option to require the Group to sell to ZhongAn Technology up to all Redeemable Preference Shares issued to the Group. The exercise price of the call option is equal to the principal amount of the Redeemable Preference Shares being called plus simple rate of 5.5% per annum on the amount redeemed calculated from the date of the relevant contribution by the Group on pro-rata basis.

The Group did not have any voting rights from Redeemable Preference Shares and did not have any right to receive dividend from ZhongAn International. In the event of liquidation of ZhongAn International, the Group ranks in priority to other classes of shares in ZhongAn International. As the rights and obligations of the ownership over Redeemable Preference Shares is different from the ownership of ordinary shares of ZhongAn International, the Group's investment in Redeemable Preference Shares is accounted for in accordance with HKFRS 9 and measured at FVTPL.

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23. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FVTPL (Continued)

Notes: (Continued)

- (ii) As the rights and obligations of the ownership over this redeemable convertible preference shares are substantially different from the ownership of ordinary shares of the MMT E Buy, the Group's investment in this redeemable convertible preference shares is accounted for in accordance with HKFRS 9 and measured at FVTPL.

During the year ended 31 December 2020, the Group disposed of half of the subscribed redeemable convertible preference shares in MMT E Buy to the controlling shareholder of MMT E Buy at a consideration of HK\$63,197,000. The Group has also entered into a borrowing agreement with the controlling shareholder of MMT E Buy for RMB57,370,000 (equivalent to HK\$68,135,000). The Group would transfer the remaining redeemable convertible preference shares as repayment when the agreement matures within one year as at 31 December 2020. During the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group transferred the entire shares of redeemable convertible preference shares as repayment of other borrowing of RMB57,370,000 (equivalent to HK\$68,135,000).

- (iii) The Group has committed to invest RMB150,000,000 for establishment of investment fund in previous years. During the year ended 31 December 2020, the Group invested RMB75,000,000 (approximately HK\$82,147,000) in that investment fund. During year ended 31 December 2021, a supplementary agreement is entered by all investees that the remaining commitments are waived.

Details of the fair value estimation on other financial assets at FVTPL are set out in Note 33.

24. BANK DEPOSITS, PLEDGED BANK DEPOSITS AND CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Bank deposits

Bank deposits classified as non-current assets are deposits with banks with a maturity period of more than twelve months at the date of inception and will mature after 12 months from the end of the reporting period. Bank deposits classified as current assets are deposits with banks that will mature within 12 months from the end of the reporting period. The bank deposits carry interest at prevailing market rate ranging from 2.10% to 3.75% (2020: ranging from 3.08% to 3.85%) per annum as at 31 December 2021.

Pledged bank deposits

The Group's pledged bank deposits represent deposits pledged to banks to secure banking facilities granted to the Group. As at 31 December 2021, there are pledged bank deposits of HK\$930,275,000 to secure the long-term bank borrowings granted to the Group. Thus, such pledged bank deposits are classified as non-current assets as at 31 December 2021. As at 31 December 2020, there are pledged bank deposits of HK\$845,606,000 to secure borrowings that are scheduled to be repaid within one year, thus these pledged bank deposits are classified as current assets as at 31 December 2020. The pledged bank deposits carry interest at prevailing market rate at 3.50% (2020: 4.18%) per annum as at 31 December 2021.

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24. BANK DEPOSITS, PLEDGED BANK DEPOSITS AND CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Continued)

Cash and cash equivalents

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Cash and cash equivalents comprise:		
Bank balances and cash	1,344,773	1,009,530
Deposits in the brokers' house that can be withdrawn anytime with no penalty	194,581	266,107
Total	<u>1,539,354</u>	<u>1,275,637</u>

Bank balances carry interest at prevailing market rates which range from 0.00% to 3.50% (2020: 0.00% to 4.18%) per annum as at 31 December 2021.

Deposits in the brokers' house are for securities trading purpose. The deposits are interest-free, have no maturity date and there is no restriction on withdrawal of the deposits.

At the end of the reporting period, the Group has the following bank deposits, pledged bank deposits and cash and cash equivalents denominated in foreign currencies of the relevant group entities:

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
United States Dollar ("USD")	25,831	21,244
HK\$	17,954	3,320
RMB	1,237	2,638

Details of ECL on bank deposits, pledged bank deposits and cash and cash equivalents are set out in Note 33.

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25. STRUCTURED DEPOSITS

The Group entered into deposit placement with banks in the PRC. The bank guaranteed 100% of the invested principal amount and returns of which are determined by reference to the change in certain exchange rates quoted in the market as specified in the relevant agreements.

Major terms of the structured deposits at FVTPL at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

As at 31 December 2021

Principal amount	Maturity	Annual coupon rate	Notes
RMB216,500,000	January 2022	from 1.30% to 4.21%	(i)
RMB4,500,000	January 2022	from 1.30% to 3.41%	(ii)
RMB30,000,000	March 2022	from 1.30% to 3.41%	(iii)

As at 31 December 2020

Principal amount	Maturity	Annual coupon rate	Note
RMB315,000,000	February 2021 to March 2021	from 1.10% to 5.35%	(i)
RMB10,000,000	March 2021	from 1.50% to 3.50%	(ii)
RMB5,000,000	January 2021	from 1.50% to 3.15%	(iii)
RMB30,000,000	January 2021	from 1.50% to 3.15%	(iv)

Notes:

- (i) The annual interest rate is dependent on whether exchange rate between Euro and USD is higher than that as specified in the relevant deposit placements during the period from inception date to maturity date of the relevant agreements.
- (ii) The annual interest rate is dependent on whether exchange rate between Australian Dollar and USD is higher than that as specified in the relevant deposit placements during the period from inception date to maturity date of the relevant agreements.
- (iii) The annual interest rate is dependent on whether exchange rate between Canadian Dollar and USD is higher than that as specified in the relevant deposit placements during the period from inception date to maturity date of the relevant agreements.
- (iv) The annual interest rate is dependent on whether exchange rate between Japanese Yen and USD is higher than that as specified in the relevant deposit placements during the period from inception date to maturity date of the relevant agreements.

Because the contractual cash flows of structured deposits do not represent solely the payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding, structured deposits are measured at FVTPL. Details of the fair value measurement over the structured deposits at FVTPL are disclosed in Note 33.

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26. TRADE PAYABLES, DEPOSITS RECEIVED AND ACCRUED CHARGES

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Trade payables	33,387	33,938
Accruals for construction work	176,457	194,439
Deposits received for rental	38,660	37,125
Advance lease payments	13,837	17,808
Deposits received for management fee	47,097	53,687
Other tax payables	18,520	17,504
Salaries payable and staff welfare payables	58,589	57,232
Other payables and accrued charges	68,702	57,182
	<u>455,249</u>	<u>468,915</u>

The following is an aged analysis of trade payables, based on the invoice date, at the end of the reporting period:

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Aged:		
0 to 90 days	5,237	5,598
91 to 180 days	1,621	1,175
181 to 360 days	201	119
Over 360 days	26,328	27,046
	<u>33,387</u>	<u>33,938</u>

As at year ended 31 December 2021, the Group has accruals for construction work in relation to acquisition and/or construction of property, plant and equipment, investment properties and stock of properties amounting to HK\$48,790,000 (2020: HK\$47,400,000), HK\$11,511,000 (2020: HK\$11,183,000) and HK\$116,156,000 (2020: HK\$135,856,000) respectively.

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27. CONTRACT LIABILITIES

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Property management	4,180	3,944
Others	4,953	6,298
	9,133	10,242

As at 1 January 2020, the carrying amount of contract liabilities is HK\$10,719,000.

When the Group receives a deposit before the provision of services, this will give rise to contract liabilities at the start of a contract, until the revenue recognised on the relevant contract exceeds the amount of the deposit. The Group typically receives a one year deposit for certain property management and other services.

The following table shows how much of the revenue recognised in the current year relates to carried-forward contract liabilities.

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Revenue recognised that was included in the contract liabilities balance at the beginning of the year	10,242	10,719

28. BORROWINGS

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Bank borrowings – secured	955,000	685,000
Other borrowings – unsecured	–	68,135
	955,000	753,135

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28. BORROWINGS (Continued)

	Other borrowings 2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>	Bank borrowings 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Carrying amounts repayable based on a schedule repayment term:			
Within one year	<u>68,135</u>	—	<u>685,000</u>
	68,135	—	685,000
Carrying amounts of borrowings that contain a repayment on demand clause (shown under current liabilities) but repayable:			
Within one year	—	65,400	—
Within a period of more than one year but not exceeding two years	—	85,900	—
Within a period of more than two years but not exceeding five years	—	803,700	—
	<u>—</u>	<u>955,000</u>	<u>—</u>
Less: Amount classified as current liabilities	<u>(68,135)</u>	<u>(955,000)</u>	<u>(685,000)</u>
Amount due after one year and classified as non-current liabilities	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>

As at 31 December 2021, bank borrowings of HK\$995,000,000 (2020: HK\$685,000,000) carried interest at benchmark interest rate as stipulated by Hong Kong Interbank Offered Rate (“HIBOR”) plus a certain percentage.

The other borrowings of RMB57,370,000 (equivalent to HK\$68,135,000) as at 31 December 2020 represented an unsecured borrowing from the controlling shareholder of MMT E Buy with no interest-bearing and repayable within one year. The other borrowings were settled during the year ended 31 December 2021.

The interest rates as at the end of the reporting period for the loans range from 1.75% to 2.80% (2020: 0% to 1.96%) per annum.

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29. LEASE LIABILITIES

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Lease liabilities payable:		
Within one year	2,501	9,358
Within a period of more than one year but not exceeding two years	<u>—</u>	<u>2,391</u>
	2,501	11,749
Less: Amount due for settlement within 12 months shown under current liabilities	<u>(2,501)</u>	<u>(9,358)</u>
Amount due for settlement after 12 months shown under non-current liabilities	<u>—</u>	<u>2,391</u>

Lease liabilities are denominated in the respective functional currencies of group entities.

The weighted average incremental borrowing rates applied to lease liabilities range from 4.35% to 5.50% (2020: from 4.35% to 5.50%).

30. DEFERRED TAX ASSETS/LIABILITIES

The following is the analysis of the deferred tax balances for financial reporting purposes:

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Deferred tax assets	3,035	6,870
Deferred tax liabilities	<u>(921,060)</u>	<u>(999,523)</u>
	<u>(918,025)</u>	<u>(992,653)</u>

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30. DEFERRED TAX ASSETS/LIABILITIES (Continued)

The following are the major deferred tax (liabilities) and assets recognised and movements thereon during the current and prior years:

	Fair value change on investment properties <i>HK\$'000</i>	Fair value change of equity instruments at FVTOCI <i>HK\$'000</i>	Fair value change of other financial assets at FVTPL <i>HK\$'000</i>	ECL provision <i>HK\$'000</i>	Undistributed profits of subsidiaries <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
As at 1 January 2020	(351,374)	(448,934)	(10,909)	3,191	(29,931)	(837,957)
Currency realignment	(22,146)	(33,737)	(1,386)	389	(2,171)	(59,051)
Credit (charge) to profit or loss	6,468	—	(12,291)	3,290	(4,499)	(7,032)
Charge to other comprehensive income	—	(88,613)	—	—	—	(88,613)
As at 31 December 2020	(367,052)	(571,284)	(24,586)	6,870	(36,601)	(992,653)
Currency realignment	(10,777)	(13,947)	(1,086)	148	(1,139)	(26,801)
Charge to profit or loss	(603)	—	(27,093)	(3,983)	(4,825)	(36,504)
Credit to other comprehensive income	—	137,933	—	—	—	137,933
As at 31 December 2021	<u>(378,432)</u>	<u>(447,298)</u>	<u>(52,765)</u>	<u>3,035</u>	<u>(42,565)</u>	<u>(918,025)</u>

At the end of the reporting period, the Group has estimated unused tax losses of HK\$89,176,000 (2020: HK\$88,568,000) available to offset against future profits. No deferred tax asset has been recognised due to the unpredictability of future profit streams and such losses may be carried forward indefinitely.

At the end of the reporting period, the Group has deductible temporary differences of HK\$1,398,166,000 (2020: HK\$1,193,190,000), which mainly attributable to fair value loss on loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL. No deferred tax asset has been recognised in relation to such deductible temporary difference as it is not probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

Deferred tax on undistributed profits of subsidiaries has been recognised taking into account the dividends to be distributed from profits earned by the subsidiaries in the PRC starting from 1 January 2008 under the New Law of the PRC that requires withholding tax with tax rate ranging from 5% to 10% upon the distribution of such profits to the shareholders. Deferred tax has not been recognised in respect of certain undistributable retained earnings earned by the subsidiaries in the PRC starting from 1 January 2008 amounting to HK\$1,844,884,000 (2020: HK\$1,644,685,000) as the directors of the Company are of the opinion that the Group is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

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31. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of shares	Amount <i>HK\$'000</i>
Shares of HK\$0.10 each		
Authorised:		
As at 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020	6,000,000,000	600,000
Increase in authorised share capital (note (i))	9,000,000,000	900,000
As at 31 December 2021	15,000,000,000	1,500,000
Issued and fully paid:		
As at 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020	3,541,112,832	354,111
Issues new shares upon rights issue (note (ii))	2,832,890,264	283,289
As at 31 December 2021	6,374,003,096	637,400

Notes:

- (i) On 8 March 2021, the authorised share capital of the Company was increased from HK\$600,000,000 divided into 6,000,000,000 shares of HK\$0.10 each to HK\$1,500,000,000 divided into 15,000,000,000 shares by creation of an additional 9,000,000,000 shares.
- (ii) On 15 April 2021, 2,832,890,264 shares of HK\$0.10 each were issued by way of rights issue at a subscription price of HK\$0.28 per share. The new shares rank pari passu with the existing shares in all respects.

32. CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group manages its capital to ensure that entities in the Group will be able to continue as a going concern while maximising the return to shareholders through the optimisation of the debt and equity balances. The Group's overall strategy remains unchanged from prior year.

The capital structure of the Group consists of debts, which include the borrowings disclosed in Note 28, and equity attributable to owners of the Company, comprising share capital and reserves including retained earnings.

The directors of the Company review the capital structure on a semi-annual basis. As part of this review, the directors of the Company consider the cost of capital and the risks associates with each class of capital. Based on recommendations of the directors of the Company, the Group will balance its overall capital structure through the payment of dividends, new share issues and share buy-backs as well as the issue of new debt or the redemption of existing debt.

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Categories of financial instruments

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Financial assets		
Financial assets at FVTPL	1,456,446	905,206
Financial assets at amortised cost	3,251,661	2,830,673
Equity instruments at FVTOCI	<u>2,042,146</u>	<u>2,528,880</u>
Financial liabilities		
Amortised cost	<u>1,142,846</u>	<u>935,067</u>

Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Group's major financial instruments include equity instruments at FVTOCI, loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL, amounts due from associates at FVTPL, loans receivables, other financial assets at FVTPL, structured deposits at FVTPL, trade and other receivables and deposits, bank deposits, pledged bank deposits, cash and cash equivalents, borrowings, trade payables, deposits received and accrued charges and lease liabilities. Details of the financial instruments are disclosed in respective notes. The risks associated with these financial instruments include market risk (currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The policies on how to mitigate these risks are set out below. The management manages and monitors these exposures to ensure appropriate measures are implemented on a timely and effective manner.

Market risk

Currency risk

Currency risk refers to the risk that movement in foreign currency exchange rate which will affect the Group's financial results and its cash flows. The management of the Group considers the Group is not exposed to significant foreign currency risk as majority of its transactions are denominated in RMB (the functional currency of the Group's major subsidiaries). There were certain financial assets are denominated in foreign currencies other than the functional currency of the relevant group entities, which expose the Group to foreign currency risk.

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

Market risk (Continued)

Currency risk (Continued)

At the end of the reporting period, the Group has the following financial assets denominated in foreign currencies of the relevant group entities:

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Cash and cash equivalents denominated in:		
USD against RMB as functional currency	221	17,052
USD against HK\$ as functional currency	25,610	4,192
HK\$ against RMB as functional currency	17,954	3,320
RMB against HK\$ as functional currency	1,237	2,638
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Loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL denominated in USD against RMB as functional currency	—	7,311
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Amounts due from associates at FVTPL denominated in USD against RMB as functional currency	—	26,289
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Financial assets at FVTOCI denominated in:		
USD against HK\$ as functional currency	86,238	147,661
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Other financial assets at FVTPL denominated in:		
USD against HK\$ as functional currency	166,609	130,985
HK\$ against RMB as functional currency	6,728	7,239
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Since the exchange rate of HK\$ is pegged with USD, the Group does not expect any significant movements in USD/HK\$ exchange rates. Therefore, the following sensitivity analysis does not include the effect between USD and HK\$. The Group's sensitivity is based on 5% increase and decrease in the functional currency of the respective group entity against relevant foreign currencies and all other variables were held constant. 5% is the sensitivity rate used by management in the assessment of the reasonably possible change in foreign exchange rates.

If foreign currencies had weakened/strengthened 5% against the respective functional currencies and all other variables were held constant, the Group's profit after taxation for the year ended 31 December 2021 would decrease/increase by HK\$980,000 (2020: loss after taxation would increase/decrease HK\$2,394,000). This is mainly attributable to the Group's exposure to foreign currency exchange rate on the bank balances, loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates and FVTPL.

In management's opinion, the sensitivity analysis is unrepresentative of the inherent currency risk as the year end exposure does not reflect the exposure during the year.

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

Market risk (Continued)

Interest rate risk

The Group is exposed to fair value interest rate risk in relation to fixed-rate financial assets (including loans receivables, Redeemable Preference Shares, loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL, amounts due from associates at FVTPL, redeemable convertible preference shares of an entity), finance lease receivables and lease liabilities as at 31 December 2021 and 2020. The Group is also exposed to cash flow interest rate risk in relation to variable-rate structured deposits at FVTPL, bank deposits, pledged bank deposits, cash and cash equivalents, and bank borrowings as at 31 December 2021 and 2020.

The Group manages its interest rate exposures by assessing the potential impact arising from any interest rate movements based on interest rate level and outlook. The management of the Group will review the proportion of borrowings in fixed and floating rates and ensure they are within reasonable range.

A fundamental reform of major interest rate benchmarks is being undertaken globally, including the replacement of some interbank offered rates ("IBORs") with alternative nearly risk-free rates. The Group is closely monitoring the market and managing the transition to new benchmark interest rates, including announcements made by the relevant IBOR regulators.

While the Hong Kong Dollar Overnight Index Average ("HONIA") has been identified as an alternative to HIBOR, there is no plan to discontinue HIBOR. The multi-rate approach has been adopted in Hong Kong, whereby HIBOR and HONIA will co-exist.

For floating rate bank borrowings that are linked to HIBOR, the Group had confirmed with the relevant counterparty HIBOR will continue to maturity. The management of the Group considers that the risks arising from the interest rate benchmark reform is immaterial.

Total interest income from financial assets that are measured at amortised cost is as follows:

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interest revenue:		
– Financial assets at amortised cost	22,994	22,210
Other income:		
– Financial assets at amortised cost	74,524	70,450
Total interest income	97,518	92,660

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

Market risk (Continued)

Interest rate risk (Continued)

Total interest expenses from financial liabilities that are not measured at FVTPL is as follows:

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interest expenses:		
– Financial liabilities at amortised cost	19,072	30,686
– Lease liabilities	412	890
	19,484	31,576

Sensitivity analysis

The management of the Group considers that the Group's exposure to cash flow interest rate risk on variable-rate bank deposits, pledged bank deposits and cash and cash equivalents as a result of the change of market interest rate is insignificant due to its short-term maturity and thus no sensitivity analysis is prepared for interest rate risk.

The sensitivity analyses below have been determined based on the exposure to cash flow interest rate risk for financial instruments at the end of the reporting period. For variable-rate financial instruments, the analysis is prepared assuming the stipulated changes took place at the beginning of the financial year with other variables held constant throughout the reporting period. A 50 basis points increase or decrease is used which represents management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in interest rates. If interest rates on variable-rate bank borrowings in Hong Kong had been 50 basis points higher/lower and all other variables were held constant, the Group's profit after taxation for the year ended 31 December 2021 would decrease/increase by HK\$3,987,000 (2020: loss after taxation would increase/decrease HK\$2,860,000). If interest rates on structured deposits at FVTPL in the PRC had been 50 basis points higher/lower due to change of exchange rates to which the interest rates of the deposits are linked to and all other variables were held constant, the Group's profit after taxation for the year ended 31 December 2021 would increase/decrease by HK\$1,151,000 (2020: loss after taxation would decrease/increase HK\$1,603,000).

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

Market risk (Continued)

Other price risk

The Group is exposed to price risk through its financial assets at FVTPL (not including investment in Redeemable Preference Shares as at 31 December 2021 and redeemable convertible preference shares of an entity as at 31 December 2020) and equity instruments at FVTOCI.

For equity securities measured at FVTPL quoted in the stock exchanges and the unlisted funds, the management of the Group manages this exposure by maintaining a portfolio of investments with different risks. In addition, the Group also invested in certain unquoted equity securities for investees operating in diversified industry sectors for long term strategic purposes which had been designed as FVTOCI. The Group has appointed a special team to monitor the price risk and will consider hedging the risk exposure should the need arise.

In management's opinion, the sensitivity analysis is unrepresentative of the inherent other price risk as the year end exposure does not reflect the exposure during the year.

The sensitivity analyses below have been determined based on the exposure to price risks.

If the prices of the respective instruments had been 10% higher/lower, profit after taxation for the year ended 31 December 2021 would increase/decrease by HK\$40,169,000 (2020: loss after taxation would decrease/increase by HK\$27,464,000) as a result of the changes in fair value of respective financial assets at FVTPL and investments revaluation reserve for the year ended 31 December 2021 increase/decrease by HK\$153,161,000 (2020: HK\$189,666,000) as a result of the change in fair value of equity instruments at FVTOCI.

Credit risk and impairment assessment

The Group's maximum exposure to credit risk which will cause a financial loss to the Group due to failure to discharge an obligation by the counterparties and financial guarantees issued by the Group arising from:

- the carrying amount of the respective recognised financial assets as stated in the consolidated statement of financial position;
- financial lease receivables; and
- the amount of financial guarantee contracts disclosed in Note 37.

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

Credit risk and impairment assessment (Continued)

Trade receivables arising from contracts with customers, loans receivables and finance lease receivables

In order to minimise the credit risk, management of the Group has delegated a team responsible for determination of credit limits and credit approvals. Before accepting any new customer, the Group uses an internal credit rating system to assess the potential customer's credit quality and defines credit limits by customer. Credit risk of loans receivables and finance lease receivables are assessed individually. The trade receivables from property management and property investment business are grouped into five internal credit rating buckets (namely: low risk, medium risk, high risk, loss and write-off) based on shared credit risk characteristics by reference to past default experience and current past due exposure of the debtor. Limits and scoring attributed to customers are reviewed twice a year. Other monitoring procedures are in place to ensure that follow-up action is taken to recover overdue debts.

In addition, the Group performs impairment assessment under ECL model on trade receivables from property management and property investment business collectively and loans receivables, finance lease receivables and trade receivables from financial services are assessed individually as at 31 December 2021 and 2020.

In this regard, the directors of the Company consider that the Group's credit risk is significantly reduced.

Other receivables and deposits

Management of the Group makes periodic individual assessment on the recoverability of other receivables and deposits based on historical settlement records, past experience, and also available reasonable and supportive forward-looking information. The management of the Group believes that there are no significant increase in credit risk of these amounts since initial recognition and the Group provided impairment based on 12-month ECL. For the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020, the Group assessed the ECL for other receivables and deposits are insignificant and thus no loss allowance is recognised.

Bank deposits, including interest receivables, pledged bank deposits and cash and cash equivalents

The credit risk on bank deposits, including interest receivables, pledged bank deposits and cash and cash equivalents of the Group is limited because the counterparties are banks and financial institutions with high credit ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies and no history of default in the past. No loss allowance for bank deposits, including interest receivables, pledged bank deposits and cash and cash equivalents was recognised. The Group has limited exposure to any single financial institution.

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

Credit risk and impairment assessment (Continued)

Bank deposits, including interest receivables, pledged bank deposits and cash and cash equivalents (Continued)

The Group does not have any significant concentration of credit risk, except from finance lease receivables, 99% of which is due to one debtor operating in technology development business as at 31 December 2020, from loans receivables, 54% (2020: 83%) of which is a debtor operating in commercial lending business (2020: commercial lending business) as at 31 December 2021.

The Group's internal credit risk grading assessment comprises the following categories:

Internal credit rating	Description	Trade receivables/ finance lease receivables	Other financial assets/Others
Low risk	The counterparty has a low risk of default and does not have any past-due amounts	Lifetime ECL (non-credit-impaired)	12-month ECL
Medium risk	Debtor frequently repays after due dates vbut usually settle after due date	Lifetime ECL (non-credit-impaired)	12-month ECL
High risk	There have been significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition through information developed internally or external resources	Lifetime ECL (non-credit-impaired)	Lifetime ECL (non-credit-impaired)
Loss	There is evidence indicating the asset is credit-impaired	Lifetime ECL (credit-impaired)	Lifetime ECL (credit-impaired)
Write-off	There is evidence indicating the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and the Group has no realistic prospect of recovery	Amount is written-off	Amount is written-off

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

Credit risk and impairment assessment (Continued)

The tables below detail the credit risk exposures of the Group's financial assets, finance lease receivables and financial guarantee contracts which are subject to ECL assessment:

	Notes	External credit rating (note v)	Internal credit rating	12-month or lifetime ECL	Gross carrying amounts	
					2021 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000
Financial assets at amortised costs						
Loans receivables (note i)	21	N/A	Low risk	12-month ECL	61,125	5,938
			Medium risk	12-month ECL	501,111	397,548
Trade receivables (note ii)	20	N/A	N/A	Lifetime ECL (provision matrix)	4,729	4,610
			Loss	Lifetime ECL (Credit impaired)	—	13,714
Other receivables and deposits	20	N/A	(note iii)	12-month ECL	10,885	9,005
		Aa1 – Baa2 (2020: Aa1 – Baa2)	N/A	12-month ECL	17,111	90,643
Bank deposits (non-current)	24	Aa1 – Baa2 (2020: Aa1 – Baa2)	N/A	12-month ECL	176,039	124,449
Bank deposits (current)	24	Aa1 – Baa2 (2020: Aa1 – Baa2)	N/A	12-month ECL	21,743	89,911
Pledged bank deposits (non-current)	24	Aa3 – Baa2 (2020: Aa1 – Baa2)	N/A	12-month ECL	930,275	—
Pledged bank deposits (current)	24	Aa1 – Baa2 (2020: Aa1 – Baa2)	N/A	12-month ECL	—	846,038
Cash and cash equivalents	24	Aa1 – Baa2 (2020: Aa1 – Baa2)	N/A	12-month ECL	1,539,354	1,275,637
Other items						
Finance lease receivables (note iv)	22	N/A	Medium risk	Lifetime ECL	5	3,751
			Loss	Lifetime ECL (Credit impaired)	5,273	5,202
Financial guarantee contracts (note vi)	37	N/A	Low risk	12-month ECL	8,597	9,466

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

Credit risk and impairment assessment (Continued)

Notes:

- (i) Loans receivables are assessed individually by the management of the Group by reference to past default experience, current past due exposure of the debtor, the nature and prospect of the debtor's operation. The loss rate ranging from 0.58% to 2.31% (2020: 1.00% to 3.80%) is applied to the debtors. As at 31 December 2021, the allowance for credit loss on loans receivables is HK\$10,711,000 (2020: HK\$13,106,000).

The estimated loss rates are estimated based on historical observed default rates over the expected life of the debtors, the realisation of collateral and guarantee and study of other corporates' default and recovery data from international credit-rating agencies including Moody's and Standard and Poor's, and are adjusted for forward-looking information (for example, the current and forecasted economic growth rates in the PRC, which reflect the general economic conditions of the industry in which the debtors operate) that is available without undue cost or effort.

- (ii) For trade receivables, the Group has applied the simplified approach in HKFRS 9 to measure the loss allowance at lifetime ECL. To measure the ECL of trade receivables from property management and property investments business, trade receivables have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics by reference to past default experience and current past due exposure of the debtor. Management of the Group considers that the ECL for trade receivables from property management and property investments business is insignificant as the debtors have good settlement history.

ECL of trade receivables from financial services are assessed individually. As at 31 December 2020, a debtor with gross carrying amount of HK\$13,714,000 is as in default and credit-impaired in view of significant financial difficulty and suspension of the operation of the customer and no settlement arrangement could be made during the year ended 31 December 2020 after discussion with this debtor. Thus, the management of the Group considered a full impairment on the gross carrying amount of this debtor as at 31 December 2020. During the year ended 31 December 2021, a settlement arrangement has been made with this debtor. The Group has received settlement of such trade receivables of HK\$11,132,000 and the remaining trade receivables of HK\$2,582,000 has been written-off during the year ended 31 December 2021.

As at 31 December 2021, the allowance for credit loss on trade receivables is nil (2020: HK\$13,714,000).

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

Credit risk and impairment assessment (Continued)

Notes: (Continued)

- (iii) For the purpose of internal credit risk management, the Group uses past due information to assess whether credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition.

	Past due HK\$'000	Not past due/ no fixed repayment terms HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
2021			
Other receivables and deposits excluding interest receivables from bank deposits	—	10,885	10,885
	Past due HK\$'000	Not past due/ no fixed repayment terms HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
2020			
Other receivables and deposits excluding interest receivables from bank deposits	—	9,005	9,005

Based on the assessment of the management, the ECL on other receivables and deposits is insignificant.

- (iv) The Group applies simplified approach to provide for ECL prescribed by HKFRS 9. To measure the ECL of finance lease receivables, the debtors are assessed individually by the management of the Group by reference to past default experience, current past due exposure of the debtor, as well as the nature and prospect of the debtor's operation. The loss rate ranging from 2.0% to 100% (2020: 2.2% to 100%) is applied to the debtors. As at 31 December 2021, the allowance for credit loss on finance lease receivables is HK\$5,273,000 (2020: HK\$5,202,000).

The estimated loss rates are estimated based on historical observed default rates over the expected life of the debtors, the realisation of collateral and guarantee and study of other corporates' default and recovery data from international credit-rating agencies including Moody's and Standard and Poor's, and are adjusted for forward-looking information (for example, the current and forecasted economic growth rates in the PRC, which reflect the general economic conditions of the industry in which the debtors operate) that is available without undue cost or effort.

- (v) External credit rating are from international credit-rating agency Moody's.
- (vi) For financial guarantee contracts, the maximum amount that the Group has guaranteed under the respective contracts was HK\$8,597,000 (2020: HK\$9,466,000) as at 31 December 2021. At the end of the reporting period, the directors of the Company have performed impairment assessment, and concluded that there has been no significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition of the financial guarantee contracts. Accordingly, the loss allowance for financial guarantee contracts issued by the Group is measured at an amount equal to 12-month ECL. Based on the assessment of the management, the ECL on financial guarantee contracts is insignificant.

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

Credit risk and impairment assessment (Continued)

The following tables show reconciliation of loss allowances that has been recognised for loans receivables which is measured under 12-month ECL and trade receivables and finance lease receivables which is measured under lifetime ECL:

	12-month ECL Loans receivables HK\$'000	Lifetime ECL (not credit-impaired)		Lifetime ECL (credit-impaired)	
		Finance lease receivables HK\$'000	Trade receivables HK\$'000	Finance lease receivables HK\$'000	Trade receivables HK\$'000
As at 1 January 2020	2,768	3,733	8,132	—	—
Changes due to financial instruments recognised as at 1 January:					
– Transfer to credit-impaired	—	(3,733)	(8,132)	3,733	8,132
– Impairment losses reversed	(2,790)	—	—	—	—
– Impairment losses recognised	—	—	—	1,164	4,793
New financial assets originated or purchased	12,466	—	—	—	—
Currency realignment	662	—	—	305	789
As at 31 December 2020	13,106	—	—	5,202	13,714
Changes due to financial instruments recognised as at 1 January:					
– Impairment losses reversed	(6,713)	—	—	(81)	(11,132)
– Write-offs	—	—	—	—	(2,582)
New financial assets originated or purchased	3,970	—	—	—	—
Currency realignment	348	—	—	152	—
As at 31 December 2021	10,711	—	—	5,273	—

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

Credit risk and impairment assessment (Continued)

Changes in the loss allowances for loans receivables, finance lease receivables and trade receivables are mainly due to:

	2021		2020	
	Increase (decrease) in 12-month ECL <i>HK\$'000</i>	Increase (decrease) in lifetime ECL (credit- impaired) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Increase (decrease) in 12-month ECL <i>HK\$'000</i>	Increase (decrease) in lifetime ECL (not credit- impaired) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Repayment from:				
– loans receivables with gross carrying amount of HK\$94,089,000 (2020: HK\$412,558,000)	(788)	–	(2,790)	–
– trade receivables with gross carrying amount of HK\$11,132,000	–	(11,132)	–	–
Advance of:				
– loans receivables with gross carrying amount of HK\$220,049,000 (2020: HK\$373,549,000)	3,970	–	12,466	–
Increase of credit risk of				
– finance lease receivables with gross carrying amount of HK\$5,202,000	–	–	–	1,164
– trade debtor with gross carrying amount of HK\$13,714,000	–	–	–	4,793
Decrease of credit risk of				
– loans receivables with gross carrying amount of HK\$268,779,000	(5,725)	–	–	–

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

Liquidity risk

In the management of the liquidity risk, the Group monitors and maintains a level of cash and bank balances (including bank deposits, pledged bank deposits, cash and cash equivalents and structured deposits at FVTPL) which is expected adequate by the management to finance the Group's operations and mitigate the effects of fluctuations in cash flows. The management of the Group monitors the utilisation of borrowings and ensures compliance with loan covenants.

The Group relies on borrowings as a source of liquidity.

The following table details the Group's remaining contractual maturity for its financial liabilities based on the agreed repayment terms. The table has been drawn up based on the undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities based on the earliest date on which the Group can be required to pay. The table includes both interest and principal cash flows.

	Weighted average interest rate %	On demand or less than 1 month HK\$'000	1 month to 1 year HK\$'000	1 to 5 years HK\$'000	Total undiscounted cash flows HK\$'000	Carrying amount at 31.12.2021 HK\$'000
2021						
Trade payables, deposits received and accrued charges	—	187,846	—	—	187,846	187,846
Financial guarantees (Note)	—	8,597	—	—	8,597	—
Borrowings	2.35	955,000	—	—	955,000	955,000
Lease liabilities	5.45	848	1,675	—	2,523	2,501
		<u>1,152,291</u>	<u>1,675</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1,153,966</u>	<u>1,145,347</u>
	Weighted average interest rate %	On demand or less than 1 month HK\$'000	1 month to 1 year HK\$'000	1 to 5 years HK\$'000	Total undiscounted cash flows HK\$'000	Carrying amount at 31.12.2020 HK\$'000
2020						
Trade payables, deposits received and accrued charges	—	181,932	—	—	181,932	181,932
Financial guarantees (Note)	—	9,466	—	—	9,466	—
Borrowings	1.78	1,119	765,443	—	766,562	753,135
Lease liabilities	5.28	848	8,909	2,412	12,169	11,749
		<u>193,365</u>	<u>774,352</u>	<u>2,412</u>	<u>970,129</u>	<u>946,816</u>

Note: The amounts included above for financial guarantee contracts were the maximum amounts the Group could be required to settle under the arrangement for the full guaranteed amount if the mortgage loans are defaulted by the counterparties. Based on expectations at the end of the reporting period, the Group considers that it is more likely than not that no amount will be payable under that arrangement. However, this estimate is subject to change depending on the probability of the counterparties would default on the relevant loans under the guarantee which is a function of the likelihood that the financial receivables held by banks which are guaranteed suffer credit losses. Details are set out in Note 37.

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

Liquidity risk (Continued)

Bank borrowings with a repayment on demand clause are included in the “on demand or less than 1 month” time band in the above maturity analysis. As at 31 December 2021, the aggregate carrying amounts of these bank loans amounted to HK\$955,000,000 (2020: nil). Taking into account the Group’s financial position, the management does not believe that it is probable that the banks will exercise their discretionary rights to demand immediate repayment. The management believes that such bank borrowings will be repaid in 3 years after the end of the reporting period in accordance with the scheduled repayment dates set out in the loan agreements, details of which are set out in the table below:

	Less than 1 year HK\$'000	1 to 2 years HK\$'000	2 to 5 years HK\$'000	Total undiscounted cash flows HK\$'000	Carrying amount HK\$'000
As at 31 December 2021	88,459	107,231	816,355	1,012,045	955,000

Fair value measurements of financial instruments

Some of the Group’s financial instruments are measured at fair value for financial reporting purposes. In estimating the fair value of an asset, the Group uses market-observable data to the extent it is available. Where Level 1 inputs are not available, the Group engaged an independent professional valuer to perform the valuation. The management of the Group works closely with the independent professional valuer to establish the appropriate valuation techniques and inputs to the model. The management of the Group reports to the executive directors of the Company semi-annually to explain the cause of fluctuations in the fair value of the assets.

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Fair value measurements of financial instruments (Continued)

Fair value of the Group's financial assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis

Some of the Group's financial assets are measured at fair value at the end of the reporting period. The following table gives information about how the fair values of these financial assets are determined (in particular, the valuation technique(s) and inputs used).

Financial assets	Fair value as at		Fair value hierarchy	Valuation technique(s)
	31.12.2021 HK\$'000	31.12.2020 HK\$'000		
Equity securities of ZhongAn Online classified as equity instruments at FVTOCI	1,340,463	2,334,621	Level 3	Average-price Asian Put Option model (notes (i) and (ii))
	511,533	—	Level 1	Quoted bid prices in an active market (note (ii))
Equity securities of an entity listed in Hong Kong classified as equity instruments at FVTOCI	65,300	—	Level 1	Quoted bid prices in an active market
Unlisted equity securities classified as equity instruments at FVTOCI	124,850	194,259	Level 3 (2020: Level 2)	Quoted prices from financial institutions (which is based on net asset value of the entity (i.e. fair value of the portfolio included in the entities)) (2020: recent transaction prices) (note (iii))
Unlisted fund investments classified as financial assets at FVTPL	465,335	323,422	Level 3 (2020: Level 2)	Quoted prices from financial institutions (which is based on net asset value of fund (i.e. fair value of the portfolio included in the funds)) (2020: recent transaction prices) (note (iv))
Investment in listed equity securities held-for-trading	50,602	29,663	Level 1	Quoted bid prices in an active market
Redeemable Preference Shares classified as financial assets at FVTPL	633,473	—	Level 3	Discounted cash flow based on the estimated future cash flows that are discounted at rate of 5.5% (note (v))
Redeemable convertible preference shares classified as financial assets at FVTPL	—	68,135	Level 3	Expected redemption price (Note 28)
Investment in listed senior notes	—	22,833	Level 2	Recent transaction prices
Structured bank deposits at FVTPL	307,036	427,553	Level 3	Quoted prices from financial institutions (note (vi))
Loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL	—	7,311	Level 3	Discounted cash flow based on the estimated future cash flows (including the growth rate of 2.0% (2020: 2.6%)) that are expected to be received by the Group as well as the estimated timing of such receipts, discounted at a rate that reflects the credit risk of the associates of 18.6% (2020: 17.2%) (note (i) and (vii))
Amounts due from associates at FVTPL	—	26,289	Level 3	

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Fair value measurements of financial instruments (Continued)

Fair value of the Group's financial assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis (Continued)

Notes:

- (i) For equity securities of ZhongAn listed in Hong Kong with lock-up period classified as equity instruments at FVTOCI, loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL as at 31 December 2021 and 2020 and Redeemable Preference Shares classified as financial assets at FVTPL as at 31 December 2021 with unobservable inputs under Level 2 or Level 3, the Group engages the independent professional valuer to perform the valuation. The management of the Group works closely with the independent professional valuer to establish the appropriate valuation techniques and inputs to the model.
- (ii) As at 31 December 2020, all the shares of ZhongAn Online owned by the Group are with lock-up period. The fair value of the investment as at 31 December 2020 was measured using a valuation technique with unobservable inputs and hence was classified as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. During year ended 31 December 2021, lock-up period of certain number of shares of ZhongAn Online has been expired. Therefore, the fair value of these shares was determined based on quoted bid prices in an active market as at 31 December 2021 and thus classified as Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

The key inputs of valuation of equity securities of ZhongAn Online which is subject to lock-up period at fair value included (i) share price of ZhongAn Online as at 31 December 2021 of HK\$27.10 (2020: HK\$36.20) per share; and (ii) discount for lack of marketability. The discount for lack of marketability is determined based on Average-price Asian Put Option model with key unobservable inputs of (i) volatility of warrant of ZhongAn Online of 70.87% for 0.94 years as at 31 December 2020 and volatility of ZhongAn Online of 56.36% (2020: 55.35%) for 2.95 (2020: 3.95) years; and (ii) expected dividend yield of 0%.

A 5% increase/decrease volatility holding all other variables constant would decrease/increase the fair value on equity securities of ZhongAn Online by HK\$33,635,000/HK\$16,818,000 (2020: HK\$51,776,000/HK\$29,316,000). A 5% increase in expected dividend yield all other variables constant would increase the fair value on equity securities of ZhongAn Online by HK\$33,635,000 (2020: HK\$67,380,000).

- (iii) As at 31 December 2020, the fair value of unlisted equity securities classified as equity instruments at FVTOCI is determined by reference to the recent transaction prices and hence was classified as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. As at 31 December 2021, the unlisted equity securities have no recent transactions as such the fair value of unlisted equity securities classified as equity instruments at FVTOCI was determined based on the quote prices from the financial institutions. As the fair value of the underlying portfolio included in the entities is classified as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy, thus unlisted equity securities classified as equity instruments at FVTOCI classified as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy as at 31 December 2021.

A 5% increase/decrease in net asset value of the entity holding all other variables constant would increase/decrease the investments revaluation reserve for the year ended 31 December 2021 by HK\$4,682,000.

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Fair value measurements of financial instruments (Continued)

Fair value of the Group's financial assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis (Continued)

Notes: - continued

- (iv) As at 31 December 2020, the fair value of unlisted fund investments classified as financial assets at FVTPL is determined by reference to the recent transaction prices and hence was classified as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. As at 31 December 2021, the unlisted fund investments have no recent transactions as such the fair value of unlisted fund investments classified as financial assets at FVTPL was determined based on the quote prices from the financial institutions. As the fair value of the underlying portfolio included in the funds is classified as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy, thus unlisted fund investments classified as financial assets at FVTPL classified as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy as at 31 December 2021.

A 5% increase/decrease in net asset value of the fund holding all other variables constant would decrease/increase the loss for the year ended 31 December 2021 by HK\$17,450,000.

- (v) A 0.5% increase/decrease in discount rate holding all other variables constant would increase/decrease the loss for the year ended 31 December 2021 by HK\$44,079,000/HK\$52,895,000 (2020: nil).

- (vi) A 5% increase/decrease in quote prices from the financial institutions holding all other variables constant would decrease/increase the loss for the year ended 31 December 2021 by HK\$11,514,000 (2020: HK\$16,033,000).

- (vii) A 0.5% increase/decrease in the growth rate holding all other variables constant would increase/decrease the fair value on loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL by HK\$12,465,000/HK\$7,311,000 and amounts due from associates at FVTPL by HK\$39,157,000/HK\$26,289,000 as at 31 December 2020.

A 0.5% increase/decrease in the discount rate holding all other variables constant would decrease/increase the fair value on loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL by HK\$7,311,000/HK\$11,079,000 and amounts due from associates at FVTPL by HK\$26,289,000/HK\$34,344,000 as at 31 December 2020.

The management of the Group has performed sensitivity analysis on loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL as at 31 December 2021 for (i) a 0.5% increase in the growth rate holding all other variables constant and (ii) a 0.5% decrease in the discount rate holding all other variables constant. There is no change to the carrying amount of loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL as the change in fair value in the sensitivity analysis is then offset by the share of loss of RGAP Group, the management of the Group considers the disclosure of the result of sensitivity analysis is unrepresentative for loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL as at 31 December 2021.

Except of the above, there were no transfers between Level 1, 2 and 3 during both years. The transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy is determined at the date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer.

Fair value of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities that are not measured at fair value on a recurring basis

The management of the Group estimates the fair value of its financial assets and financial liabilities measured at amortised cost using the discounted cash flows analysis.

The management of the Group considers that the carrying amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded at amortised cost in the consolidated statement of financial position approximate their fair values.

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33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Reconciliation of Level 3 fair value measurements of financial assets

	Other financial assets at FVTPL HK\$'000	Loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL HK\$'000	Amounts due from associates at FVTPL HK\$'000	Financial assets at FVTOCI HK\$'000	Structured bank deposits at FVTPL HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
As at 1 January 2020	746,225	78,703	—	1,884,893	408,482	3,118,303
Purchase	253,813	—	—	—	—	253,813
Disposal/settlement	(946,341)	—	—	—	—	(946,341)
Placement of structured deposits at FVTPL	—	—	—	—	802,025	802,025
Withdrawal of structured deposits at FVTPL	—	—	—	—	(808,774)	(808,774)
Advance to associates	—	—	268,682	—	—	268,682
Share of results of associate	—	(1,310)	—	—	—	(1,310)
Currency realignment	6,990	1,979	—	138,269	25,820	173,058
Fair value change to profit or loss	7,448	(72,061)	(242,393)	—	—	(307,006)
Fair value change to other comprehensive income	—	—	—	311,459	—	311,459
As at 31 December 2020	68,135	7,311	26,289	2,334,621	427,553	2,863,909
Transfers out of level 3	—	—	—	(511,533)	—	(511,533)
Transfers into Level 3	323,422	—	—	194,259	—	517,681
Purchase	609,976	—	—	—	—	609,976
Disposal/settlement/redemption	(68,135)	—	—	(74,917)	—	(143,052)
Placement of structured deposits at FVTPL	—	—	—	—	1,230,277	1,230,277
Withdrawal of structured deposits at FVTPL	—	—	—	—	(1,362,521)	(1,362,521)
Advance to associates	—	—	21,903	—	—	21,903
Share of results of associate	—	153,838	—	—	—	153,838
Currency realignment	17,359	741	—	65,191	11,727	95,018
Fair value change to profit or loss	148,051	(161,890)	(48,192)	—	—	(62,031)
Fair value change to other comprehensive income	—	—	—	(542,308)	—	(542,308)
As at 31 December 2021	<u>1,098,808</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1,465,313</u>	<u>307,036</u>	<u>2,871,157</u>

Fair value loss on loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL of HK\$210,082,000 (2020: HK\$314,454,000) relates to loan receivable from an associate at FVTPL and amounts due from associates at FVTPL held at the end of current reporting period. During the year ended 31 December 2021, fair value gains on other financial assets at FVTPL of HK\$148,051,000 (2020: HK\$7,448,000) relates to other financial assets at FVTPL held at the end of current reporting period was included in fair value gain on other financial assets at FVTPL in profit or loss.

Included in other comprehensive income is an amount of HK\$542,308,000 loss (2020: HK\$311,459,000 gain) relating to equity instruments at FVTOCI held at the end of the current reporting period and is reported as changes of investments revaluation reserve.

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34. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Save as disclosed elsewhere in the consolidated financial statements, the Group had the following transactions with its related parties during the year.

Name of related party	Nature of transaction	2021 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000
Shanghai Rockefeller	Project management fee income	26,195	26,195
ZhongAn International	Interest income from Redeemable Preference Shares	—	1,086
		<u>26,195</u>	<u>27,281</u>

The key management personnel are the executive directors of the Company. The details of the remuneration paid to them are set out in Note 10.

35. SHARE OPTIONS

A share option scheme was adopted by shareholders of the Company on 17 May 2012 (the “2012 Share Option Scheme”), under which the board of directors may, at its discretion, offer any employee (including any executive director) of the Company or its subsidiaries options to subscribe for shares in the Company subject to the terms and conditions stipulated therein. The 2012 Share Option Scheme has a life of 10 years.

On 15 May 2015, the Group granted 79,000,000 share options to the directors of the Company and 40,000,000 share options to the employees of the Group.

The Company’s share options held by the directors and the employees are as follows:

	Number of share options		
	As at 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020	Adjustments (note)	As at 31 December 2021
Exercisable share options	<u>114,000,000</u>	<u>17,784,000</u>	<u>131,784,000</u>

Note: The numbers of share options were adjusted upon the completion of the rights issue on 15 April 2021.

As at 31 December 2021, the number of shares in respect of which options had been granted and remained outstanding under the 2012 Share Option Scheme was 131,784,000 (2020: 114,000,000), representing 2.1% (2020: 3.2%) of the shares of the Company at the date of the annual report..

All share options granted have been vested during prior years. The share option is exercisable from the completion of vesting period to 14 May 2025 with adjusted exercise price of HK\$1.185 upon the completion of rights issue on 15 April 2021 (2020: HK\$1.37).

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36. RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEMES

The Group's subsidiaries operating in the PRC have participated in defined contribution retirement schemes organised by the relevant local government authorities in the PRC. All PRC employees are entitled to an annual pension equal to a fixed portion of their basic salaries at their retirement dates. The Group is required to make specific contributions to the retirement schemes at a rate of 7 to 25 percent of basic salary of its PRC employees and have no further obligation for post-retirement benefits beyond the annual contributions made.

The Group has joined a Mandatory Provident Fund ("MPF") Scheme for all its non-PRC employees. The assets of the MPF Scheme are held separately from those of the Group in funds under the control of an independent trustee. The retirement benefits scheme contributions arising from the MPF Scheme charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss represent contributions payable to the funds by the Group at rates specified in the rules of the scheme.

There is no forfeited contributions may be used by the Group to reduce the existing level of contributions during the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020.

During the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group made contributions to the retirement benefits schemes amounting to HK\$9,575,000 (2020: HK\$8,897,000).

37. FINANCIAL GUARANTEE CONTRACTS

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000
Guarantees given to banks for the mortgage loans arranged for the purchasers of the Group's properties	<u>8,597</u>	<u>9,466</u>

Impairment assessment of these guarantees are disclosed in Note 33 "Credit risk and impairment assessment" note (vi).

38. COMMITMENTS

Saved as disclosed elsewhere in the consolidated financial statements, the Group has following commitment at the end of the reporting period.

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000
Commitments in respect of properties under development for sale: – contracted for but not provided in the consolidated financial statements	28,842	34,930
Commitments in respect of establishment of investment fund (Note 23)	<u>–</u>	<u>89,074</u>

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39. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

The Group as lessor

The Group has lease payments receivable on leases are as follows:

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within one year	149,774	145,581
In the second year	96,724	107,744
In the third year	74,561	75,394
In the fourth year	59,641	56,892
In the fifth year	43,117	48,499
After five years	124,869	154,243
	548,686	588,353

Operating lease payments represent rentals receivable by the Group from leasing of its investment properties. The leases are negotiated and rentals are fixed for lease term of one to twelve years (2020: one to twelve years). Certain leases include rentals received with reference to turnover of tenants.

40. PLEDGE OF OR RESTRICTIONS ON ASSETS

Pledge of assets

As at 31 December 2021, pledged bank deposits of HK\$930,275,000 (2020: HK\$846,038,000) and investment properties of HK\$563,570,000 (2020: nil), were pledged to banks to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group.

Restrictions on assets

In addition, lease liabilities of HK\$2,501,000 (2020: HK\$11,749,000) are recognised with related right-of-use assets of HK\$2,465,000 (2020: HK\$8,088,000) as at 31 December 2021. The lease agreements do not impose any covenants other than the security interests in the leased assets that are held by the lessor and the relevant leased assets may not be used as security for borrowing purposes.

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41. RECONCILIATION OF LIABILITIES ARISING FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES

The table below details changes in the Group's liabilities arising from financing activities, including both cash and non-cash changes. Liabilities arising from financing activities are those for which cash flows were, or future cash flows will be, classified in the Group's consolidated statement of cash flows as cash flows from financing activities.

	Borrowings <i>HK\$'000</i>	Lease liabilities <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
As at 1 January 2020	797,586	20,181	817,767
Financing cash flow	(73,507)	(10,049)	(83,556)
Interest expenses	29,051	890	29,941
New leases entered/leases modified	—	715	715
Currency realignment	5	12	17
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As at 31 December 2020	753,135	11,749	764,884
Financing cash flow	252,638	(10,176)	242,462
Interest expenses	17,362	412	17,774
New leases entered	—	506	506
Non-cash repayment (Note 42)	(68,135)	—	(68,135)
Currency realignment	—	10	10
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As at 31 December 2021	<u>955,000</u>	<u>2,501</u>	<u>957,501</u>

42. MAJOR NON-CASH TRANSACTIONS

During the years, the Group entered into new lease agreements for the use of leased properties for one to two years. On the date of lease commencement or lease modification, the Group recognised HK\$506,000 (2020: HK\$715,000) of right-of-use assets and HK\$506,000 (2020: HK\$715,000) of lease liability.

During the year ended 31 December 2020, the Group has entered into a sublease. The Group recognised finance lease receivables of HK\$4,435,000 and derecognised right-of-use assets of HK\$4,480,000. The sublease is early terminated during the year ended 31 December 2021. The Group recognised right-of-use assets of HK\$761,000 and derecognised finance lease receivables of HK\$761,000.

During the year ended 31 December 2021, the Group transferred the entire shares of redeemable convertible preference shares of HK\$68,135,000 as repayment of other borrowing of HK\$68,135,000.

During the year ended 31 December 2021, dividends from financial assets at FVTPL of HK\$46,136,000 is received in form of shares of equity securities listed in the overseas.

During the year ended 31 December 2021, an unlisted equity security at FVTOCI redeemed its securities. The consideration is paid in form of shares of equity securities of an entity listed in Hong Kong. The fair value of the equity securities of an entity listed in Hong Kong was HK\$74,917,000 at date of redemption.

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43. LIST OF SUBSIDIARIES

Details of the Company's subsidiaries as at 31 December 2021 and 2020 are as follows:

Name of subsidiary	Place of incorporation/ establishment/ operation	Issued and fully paid up share capital/ registered capital	Attributable proportion of nominal value of issued/registered capital held by the Company				Principal activities
			Directly		Indirectly		
			2021	2020	2021	2020	
AA Investment Management Limited [†]	Hong Kong	HK\$30,100,000 (2020: HK\$100,000)	100%	100%	—	—	Provision for investment services
AA Services (Hong Kong) Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100,000	100%	100%	—	—	Administrative service supporting
Cnhooray Internet Technology Co., Ltd. ("Cnhooray Internet") 深圳日訊網絡科技股份有限公司	PRC – Sino-foreign equity joint venture	RMB40,000,000	—	—	80%	80%	Consultancy services in relation to information, multimedia and communication technologies
Ease Win International Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD1	100%	100%	—	—	Investment holding
Firstline Investment Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD1	—	—	100%	100%	Investment holding
Global Mark Investments Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD1	—	—	100%	100%	Investment holding
Hu Qiu Investments Management Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD100	—	—	60%	60%	Investment holding
Knatwood Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD1	—	—	100%	100%	Investment holding
Link Capital Investments Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD50,000	—	—	100%	100%	Investment holding
Mei Long Investments Limited [^]	Hong Kong	HK\$1	—	—	—	100%	Investment holding
Moreluck Enterprises Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD1	100%	100%	—	—	Investment holding
Ocean Diamond Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD50,000	—	—	100%	100%	Investment holding
Ocean Hill Investments Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD1	—	—	100%	100%	Investment holding
Real Achieve Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD1	100%	100%	—	—	Investment holding

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43. LIST OF SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of subsidiary	Place of incorporation/ establishment/ operation	Issued and fully paid up share capital/ registered capital	Attributable proportion of nominal value of issued/registered capital held by the Company				Principal activities
			Directly		Indirectly		
			2021	2020	2021	2020	
Shanghai Sinolink Xijiao Property Development Co., Ltd. ("Shanghai Sinolink Xijiao") 上海百仕達西郊地產發展有限公司	PRC – Limited liability company	RMB190,000,000	–	–	80%	80%	Property development
上海百仕達蘇河灣地產發展有限公司 ("百仕達蘇河灣")	PRC – Limited liability company	RMB5,000,000	–	–	80%	80%	Property development
深圳市百仕達置地有限公司 ("百仕達置地")	PRC – Limited liability company	RMB10,000,000	–	–	80%	80%	Property development
Shenzhen Mangrove West Coast Property Development Co., Ltd. ("SMWC") 深圳紅樹西岸地產發展有限公司	PRC – Sino-foreign equity joint venture	RMB200,000,000	–	–	87%	87%	Property development
深圳百仕達商業管理有限公司 ("百仕達商業")	PRC – Limited liability company	RMB1,000,000	–	–	80%	80%	Property management
深圳百仕達酒店管理有限公司 ("百仕達酒店管理")	PRC – Limited liability company	RMB1,000,000	–	–	80%	80%	Property management
Shenzhen Sinolink Property Management Co., Ltd. ("Sinolink Management") 深圳百仕達物業管理有限公司	PRC – Limited liability company	RMB5,000,000	–	–	80%	80%	Property management
Sinolink Assets Management Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD2	100%	100%	–	–	Investment holding
Sinolink LPG Development Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD1	–	–	100%	100%	Investment holding
Sinolink Petrochemical Investment Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD1	–	–	100%	100%	Investment holding
Sinolink Progressive Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD47,207	100%	100%	–	–	Investment holding
Sinolink Properties Agent Limited 百仕達物業代理有限公司	Hong Kong	HK\$10,000	–	–	100%	100%	Dormant

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43. LIST OF SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of subsidiary	Place of incorporation/ establishment/ operation	Issued and fully paid up share capital/ registered capital	Attributable proportion of nominal value of issued/registered capital held by the Company				Principal activities
			Directly		Indirectly		
			2021	2020	2021	2020	
Sinolink Properties Limited ("Sinolink Properties") 百仕達地產有限公司	PRC – Foreign equity joint venture	RMB375,000,000	–	–	80%	80%	Property development and property investment
Sinolink Shanghai Investments Ltd.	BVI/Hong Kong	USD1	100%	100%	–	–	Investment holding
Sinolink Worldwide (HK) Company Limited 香港百仕達有限公司	Hong Kong	HK\$10,000,000	–	–	100%	100%	Investment holding
Smart Orient Investments Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD1	100%	100%	–	–	Investment holding
Timeway Holdings Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$10,000	100%	100%	–	–	Investment holding
Winner Idea Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	USD1	100%	100%	–	–	Investment holding
眾聯融資租賃(上海)有限公司	PRC – Limited liability company	RMB300,000,000	–	–	100%	100%	Finance leasing
眾安國際融資租賃(天津)有限公司 [^]	PRC – Limited liability company	RMB1,000,000,000	–	–	–	100%	Inactive
眾安國際商業保理(天津)有限公司	PRC – Limited liability company	RMB50,000,000	–	–	100%	100%	Business factoring and other loan financing services
深圳市百仕達信息諮詢有限公司	PRC – Limited liability company	RMB1,000,000	–	–	100%	100%	Consultancy services in relation to information, investment and corporate management

This subsidiary was newly incorporated/established during the year ended 31 December 2020.

[^] These subsidiaries were deregistered during the year ended 31 December 2021.

Except for the investment holding companies or dormant companies which have no definite place of operation, all the above subsidiaries operate principally in their respective place of incorporation/ establishment.

None of the subsidiaries had issued any debt securities at the end of the year.

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43. LIST OF SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

The table below shows details of non-wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Group that has material non-controlling interests:

Name of subsidiaries	Place of incorporation and principal place of business	Proportion of ownership interests and voting rights held by non-controlling interests		Profit (loss) allocated to non-controlling interests		Accumulated non-controlling interests	
		2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
				HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Sinolink Properties and its subsidiaries (note)	Hong Kong/ PRC	20%	20%	53,853	30,010	1,126,517	1,040,006
Cnhooray Internet	PRC	20%	20%	756	990	375,703	444,465
Individual immaterial subsidiaries with non-controlling interests				(3)	(3)	(8,632)	(8,629)
				<u>54,606</u>	<u>30,997</u>	<u>1,493,588</u>	<u>1,475,842</u>

Note: The subsidiaries of Sinolink Properties include Shanghai Sinolink Xijiao, 百仕達蘇河灣, 百仕達置地, 百仕達商業, 百仕達酒店管理 and Sinolink Management.

Summarised consolidated financial information for the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 in respect of the Group's subsidiaries that has material non-controlling interests is set out below. The summarised consolidated financial information below represents amounts before intragroup eliminations.

Sinolink Properties and its subsidiaries

	2021 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000
Non-current assets	4,556,413	4,220,392
Current assets	2,732,948	2,534,936
Non-current liabilities	(413,693)	(380,603)
Current liabilities	(1,170,983)	(1,154,808)
Net assets	<u>5,704,685</u>	<u>5,219,917</u>
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	4,578,168	4,179,911
Non-controlling interests of Sinolink Properties	<u>1,126,517</u>	<u>1,040,006</u>
Total equity	<u>5,704,685</u>	<u>5,219,917</u>

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43. LIST OF SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Sinolink Properties and its subsidiaries (Continued)

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Revenue	393,640	339,509
Increase (decrease) in fair value of investment properties	2,413	(25,872)
Other income	121,023	65,207
Other gains and losses	94,161	26,376
Expenses	(325,777)	(251,502)
Profit for the year	285,460	153,718
Other comprehensive income for the year	199,308	279,713
Total comprehensive income for the year	484,768	433,431
Profit for the year attributable to:		
– owners of the Company	231,607	123,708
– non-controlling interests of Sinolink Properties	53,853	30,010
Profit for the year	285,460	153,718
Other comprehensive income for the year attributable to:		
– owners of the Company	166,650	222,611
– non-controlling interests of Sinolink Properties	32,658	57,102
Other comprehensive income for the year	199,308	279,713
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to:		
– owners of the Company	398,257	346,319
– non-controlling interests of Sinolink Properties	86,511	87,112
Total comprehensive income for the year	484,768	433,431
Dividends paid	—	—

Note: The amount of non-controlling interests included 13% effective interest of SMWC. SMWC is 65% owned by Sinolink Properties and 35% owned by other group entities, which are wholly-owned by the Group.

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Net cash inflow from operating activities	200,738	162,675
Net cash inflow (outflow) from investing activities	77,147	(212,362)
Net cash outflow from financing activities	—	(586)
Net cash inflow (outflow)	277,885	(50,273)

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43. LIST OF SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Cnhooray Internet

	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current assets	1,878,049	2,361,866
Current assets	563,136	540,088
Current liabilities	(124,009)	(119,935)
Non-current liabilities	(442,593)	(563,724)
Net assets	1,874,583	2,218,295
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	1,498,880	1,773,830
Non-controlling interests of Cnhooray Internet	375,703	444,465
Total equity	1,874,583	2,218,295
Other income	6,194	4,866
Other gains and losses	(488)	1,537
Expenses	(1,925)	(1,451)
Profit for the year	3,781	4,952
Other comprehensive (expense) income for the year	(347,493)	233,563
Total comprehensive (expense) income for the year	(343,712)	238,515
Profit for the year attributable to:		
– the owners of Company	3,025	3,962
– non-controlling interests of Cnhooray Internet	756	990
Profit for the year	3,781	4,952
Other comprehensive (expense) income for the year attributable to:		
– owners of Company	(277,975)	186,851
– non-controlling interests of Cnhooray Internet	(69,518)	46,712
Other comprehensive (expense) income for the year	(347,493)	233,563
Total comprehensive (expense) income for the year attributable to:		
– owners of Company	(274,950)	190,813
– non-controlling interests of Cnhooray Internet	(68,762)	47,702
Other comprehensive (expense) income for the year	(343,712)	238,515
Dividends paid	–	–
Net cash (outflow) inflow from operating activities	(71)	2,624
Net cash inflow from investing activities	115,463	48,749
Net cash inflow (outflow) from financing activities	617	(1,540)
Net cash inflow	116,009	49,833

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44. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY

	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Non-current assets		
Plant and equipment	2,321	7,618
Finance lease receivables	—	761
Unlisted investments in subsidiaries	644,684	614,684
Amounts due from subsidiaries	3,758,434	3,752,065
Interests in associates	1,538,227	1,156,647
Financial assets at FVTPL	633,473	—
	<u>6,577,139</u>	<u>5,531,775</u>
Current assets		
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	17,074	16,283
Finance lease liabilities	—	2,943
Bank balances and cash	17,829	20,018
Financial assets at FVTPL	6,728	7,329
	<u>41,631</u>	<u>46,573</u>
Current liabilities		
Other payables and accrued charges	1,396	1,213
Lease liabilities	2,297	8,886
	<u>3,693</u>	<u>10,099</u>
Net current assets	<u>37,938</u>	<u>36,474</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>6,615,077</u>	<u>5,568,249</u>
Non-current liabilities		
Amounts due to subsidiaries	2,954,364	2,718,752
Lease liabilities	—	2,297
	<u>2,954,364</u>	<u>2,721,049</u>
Net assets	<u>3,660,713</u>	<u>2,847,200</u>
Capital and reserves		
Share capital	637,400	354,111
Reserves (Note)	3,023,313	2,493,089
	<u>3,660,713</u>	<u>2,847,200</u>

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44. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY (Continued)

Note:

	Share premium <i>HK\$'000</i>	Contributed surplus <i>HK\$'000</i>	Share option reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	Retained earnings and other reserves <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
As at 1 January 2020	1,824,979	572,174	79,300	51,147	2,527,600
Loss and total comprehensive expense for the year	—	—	—	(34,511)	(34,511)
As at 31 December 2020	1,824,979	572,174	79,300	16,636	2,493,089
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year	—	—	—	20,304	20,304
Issuance of shares by rights issue (Note 31)	509,920	—	—	—	509,920
As at 31 December 2021	<u>2,334,899</u>	<u>572,174</u>	<u>79,300</u>	<u>36,940</u>	<u>3,023,313</u>

45. EVENT AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

Subsequent to 31 December 2021, ZhongAn Technology, another shareholder of ZhongAn International, has subscribed for new ordinary shares of ZhongAn International, an associate of the Group, and thus the Group's equity interests in ZhongAn International is decreased from 43.21% to 41.50%.

This is a non-adjusting event after the financial year end and does not result in any adjustments to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021. The directors of the Company are in the process of assessing the impact on the consolidated financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2022.

PARTICULARS OF MAJOR PROPERTIES

As at 31 December 2021

PROPERTY HELD FOR DEVELOPMENT/SALE

Description	Type of use	GFA (M ²)	Effective % held	Stage of completion	Anticipated completion
1. Land lot No. 240 of Xinjingzhen, Changning District, Shanghai	Residential	13,600	80%	Construction in progress	2023

PROPERTIES HELD FOR INVESTMENT

Properties	Type of use	GFA (M ²)	Effective % held
1. 518 car parks at Residence Club House Phase 1, Sinolink Garden Taining Road Luohu District Shenzhen	Car parks	16,500	80%
2. Unit Nos. 101,102 and 103 Ancillary Building West District, Phase 4, Sinolink Garden Taining Road Luohu District Shenzhen	Retail	20,232	80%
3. 4 lorry parking spaces and 1,070 car parks Phase 4, Sinolink Garden Taining Road Luohu District Shenzhen	Car parks	44,000	80%
4. 1,700 car parks at Residence Club House Mangrove West Coast Land lot No. T207-0026 Bin Hai Da Dao Bay Sha He Dong Road, Nanshan District Shenzhen	Car parks	84,834	80%
5. Levels 1 to 3 of commercial podium The Vi City, Phase 5, Sinolink Garden Taining Road Luohu District Shenzhen	Retail	39,434	80%
6. 1,942 car parks Phase 5, Sinolink Garden Taining Road Luohu District Shenzhen	Car parks	72,381	80%
7. Levels 24 to 36 of office portion and 115 car parks Sinolink Tower Taining Road Luohu District	Office and car parks	20,075	80%

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

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	For the year ended 31 December				2021
	2017 HK\$'000	2018 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000	HK\$'000
RESULTS					
Turnover	398,261	528,424	448,908	384,502	432,226
Profit (loss) before taxation	212,711	(137,209)	(209,999)	(359,237)	356,248
Taxation	(66,817)	(85,965)	(69,188)	(62,880)	(110,931)
Profit (loss) for the year	145,894	(223,174)	(279,187)	(422,117)	245,317
Attributable to:					
Owners of the Company	110,088	(267,723)	(316,575)	(453,114)	190,711
Non-controlling interests	35,806	44,549	37,388	30,997	54,606
	145,894	(223,174)	(279,187)	(422,117)	245,317
	<i>HK cents</i>	<i>HK cents</i>	<i>HK cents</i>	<i>HK cents</i>	HK cents
Earnings (loss) per share (note (i))					
Basic	2.69	(6.54)	(7.73)	(11.07)	3.34
Diluted	2.69	(6.54)	(7.73)	(11.07)	3.34

	As at 31 December				2021
	2017 HK\$'000	2018 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000	HK\$'000
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES					
Total assets	15,088,273	11,362,432	10,716,927	11,249,183	12,258,858
Total liabilities	(3,631,356)	(3,074,784)	(2,830,968)	(3,018,806)	(3,172,066)
	11,456,917	8,287,648	7,885,959	8,230,377	9,086,792
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	9,624,048	6,944,011	6,582,973	6,754,535	7,593,204
Non-controlling interests	1,832,869	1,343,637	1,302,986	1,475,842	1,493,588
	11,456,917	8,287,648	7,885,959	8,230,377	9,086,792

Notes:

- (i) Earnings (loss) per share information for all period presented has been computed in accordance with the provisions of HKAS 33 "Earnings Per Shares". Earnings (loss) per share have been adjusted for the rights issue made during the year ended 31 December 2021.
- (ii) For the year ended 31 December 2018, the Group had applied HKFRS 15, HKFRS 9 and other amendments to HKFRSs and for the year ended 31 December 2019, the Group had applied HKFRS 16 and other amendments to HKFRSs. Accordingly, certain comparative information for the years ended 31 December 2017 may not be comparable to the years ended 31 December 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 as such comparative information was prepared under HKAS 18, HKAS 11, HKAS 39 and HKAS 17. Accounting policies resulting from application of HKFRS 15, HKFRS 9 and HKFRS 16 are disclosed in the "Significant Accounting Policies" section.