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## PUBLICATION OF THE OFFERING CIRCULAR

### PEOPLE’S GOVERNMENT OF SHENZHEN MUNICIPALITY OF GUANGDONG PROVINCE OF THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

(“SHENZHEN MUNICIPAL PEOPLE’S GOVERNMENT” OR THE “ISSUER”)

**RMB2,400,000,000 2.42% BONDS DUE 2024 (STOCK CODE: 84413)**

**RMB1,500,000,000 2.65% BONDS DUE 2025 (STOCK CODE: 84414) AND**

**RMB1,100,000,000 2.83% BONDS DUE 2027 (STOCK CODE: 84415)**

(TOGETHER, THE “BONDS”)

#### *Joint Lead Managers and Joint Bookrunners*

Bank of China	China International Capital Corporation		HSBC		CITIC Securities	
Bank of Communications	Agricultural Bank of China Limited Hong Kong Branch	ICBC (Asia)	Industrial Bank Co., Ltd. Hong Kong Branch	China CITIC Bank International	China Construction Bank (Asia)	J.P. Morgan
CMB Wing Lung Bank Limited	Guotai Junan International	Mizuho	Standard Chartered Bank	Shenwan Hongyuan (H.K.)	Huatai International	China Minsheng Banking Corp., Ltd., Hong Kong Branch
Guosen Securities (HK)	Citigroup	China Everbright Bank Hong Kong Branch	CTBC Bank	Haitong International	China PA Securities (Hong Kong) Company Limited	Shanghai Pudong Development Bank Hong Kong Branch

This announcement is issued pursuant to Rule 37.39A of the Listing Rules.

Reference is made to the notice of listing of the Bonds on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited dated 7 November 2022 published by the Issuer.

The offering circular dated 31 October 2022 in relation to the Bonds is appended to this announcement.

Hong Kong, 8 November 2022

**Appendix - Offering Circular**

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# PEOPLE'S GOVERNMENT OF SHENZHEN MUNICIPALITY OF GUANGDONG PROVINCE OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

**RMB2,400,000,000 2.42% Bonds due 2024**

**RMB1,500,000,000 2.65% Bonds due 2025**

**RMB1,100,000,000 2.83% Bonds due 2027**

**Issue price of the 2024 Bonds: 100%**

**Issue price of the 2025 Bonds: 100%**

**Issue price of the 2027 Bonds: 100%**

People's Government of Shenzhen Municipality of Guangdong Province of the People's Republic of China (the "Shenzhen Municipal People's Government" or the "Issuer") is offering RMB2,400,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of its 2.42% bonds due 2024 (the "2024 Bonds"), RMB1,500,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of its 2.65% bonds due 2025 (the "2025 Bonds") and RMB1,100,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of its 2.83% bonds due 2027 (the "2027 Bonds", together with the 2024 Bonds and the 2025 Bonds, the "Bonds").

The 2024 Bonds, 2025 Bonds and 2027 Bonds will bear interest from and including 7 November 2022 (the "Issue Date") at the rate of 2.42% per annum, 2.65% per annum and 2.83% per annum respectively. Interest on the Bonds will be payable semi-annually in arrear on the Interest Payment Dates (as defined in the *Terms and Conditions of the Bonds*) falling on or nearest to 7 May and 7 November in each year. Payments on the Bonds will be made in Renminbi without withholding or deduction for taxes of the People's Republic of China (the "PRC" or "China") or any authority in the PRC or of the PRC having power to tax to the extent described under "*Terms and Conditions of the 2024 Bonds – Taxation and Withholding*", "*Terms and Conditions of the 2025 Bonds – Taxation and Withholding*" and "*Terms and Conditions of the 2027 Bonds – Taxation and Withholding*". The 2024 Bonds will mature on the Interest Payment Date falling on or nearest to 7 November 2024 at their principal amount, the 2025 Bonds will mature on the Interest Payment Date falling on or nearest to 7 November 2025 at their principal amount and the 2027 Bonds will mature on the Interest Payment Date falling on or nearest to 7 November 2027 at their principal amount.

The Bonds constitute direct, unconditional and unsecured obligations of the Issuer, and rank and will rank *pari passu*, without preference among themselves, with all other unsecured Public Indebtedness (as defined in the *Terms and Conditions of the Bonds*) of the Issuer, from time to time outstanding, provided further, that the Issuer shall have no obligation to effect equal or rateable payment(s) at any time with respect to any such other Public Indebtedness and, in particular, shall have no obligation to pay other Public Indebtedness at the same time or as a condition of paying sums due on the Bonds and *vice versa*.

The issuance of the Bonds has been authorised by the State Council of the People's Republic of China and has been approved by the Ministry of Finance of the People's Republic of China. The Bonds are included in the 2022 fiscal budget adjustment plan of Shenzhen as approved by the Standing Committee of the People's Congress of Shenzhen Municipality of Guangdong Province of the People's Republic of China. In accordance with the Budget Law of the People's Republic of China, the Regulation on the Implementation of the Budget Law of the People's Republic of China (Decree of the State Council of the People's Republic of China (No. 729)), the Opinion of the State Council on Strengthening the Management of Local Government Debt (Decree of the State Council of the People's Republic of China (No. 43, 2014)) and the Administrative Measures for the Local Government Bonds Issuance (Decree of the Ministry of Finance of the People's Republic of China (No. 43, 2020)), the 2024 Bonds, the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds are issued as special bonds, which will constitute specific debt of the Issuer.

For a more detailed description of the use of proceeds of the Bonds, see "*Use of Proceeds*" beginning on page 35.

Application will be made to The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "SEHK") for the listing of the Bonds by way of debt issues to professional investors (as defined in Chapter 37 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited) ("Professional Investors") only. This document is for distribution to Professional Investors only.

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The SEHK has not reviewed the contents of this Offering Circular, other than to ensure that the prescribed form disclaimer and responsibility statements, and a statement limiting distribution of this Offering Circular to Professional Investors only have been reproduced in this Offering Circular. Listing of the Bonds on the SEHK is not to be taken as an indication of the commercial merits or credit quality of the Bonds or the Issuer or quality of disclosure in this Offering Circular. Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and the SEHK take no responsibility for the contents of this Offering Circular, make no representation as to its accuracy or completeness and expressly disclaim any liability whatsoever for any loss howsoever arising from or in reliance upon the whole or any part of the contents of this Offering Circular.

For a more detailed description of the Bonds, see "*Overview of the Offering*" beginning on page 1.

The denomination of the Bonds is RMB1,000,000 and integral multiples of RMB10,000 in excess thereof.

**The Bonds have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). The Bonds may not be offered or sold within the United States unless pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and the applicable state or local securities laws. The Bonds are being offered outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act ("Regulation S").**

For a description of these and certain further restrictions on offers and sales of the Bonds and the distribution of this Offering Circular, see "*Subscription and Sale*".

Each series of the Bonds will initially be represented by a global certificate (each a "Global Certificate", and together, the "Global Certificates") in registered form which will be registered in the name of, and lodged with a sub-custodian for, the Hong Kong Monetary Authority as operator (the "Operator") of the Central Moneymarkets Unit Service (the "CMU"). Beneficial interests in the Global Certificates will be shown on, and transfer thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the CMU. Except as described herein, individual certificates for Bonds will not be issued in exchange for interests in the relevant Global Certificate. For persons seeking to hold a beneficial interest in the Bonds through Euroclear Bank SA/NV ("Euroclear") or Clearstream Banking S.A. ("Clearstream"), such persons will hold their interest through an account opened and held by Euroclear or Clearstream (as the case may be) with the CMU operator.

## Joint Lead Managers and Joint Bookrunners

Bank of China		China International Capital Corporation		HSBC	CITIC Securities	
Bank of Communications	Agricultural Bank of China Limited Hong Kong Branch	ICBC (Asia)	Industrial Bank Co., Ltd. Hong Kong Branch	China CITIC Bank International	China Construction Bank (Asia)	J.P. Morgan
CMB Wing Lung Bank Limited	Guotai Junan International	Mizuho	Standard Chartered Bank	Shenwan Hongyuan (H.K.)	Huatai International	China Minsheng Banking Corp., Ltd., Hong Kong Branch
Guosen Securities (HK)	Citigroup	China Everbright Bank Hong Kong Branch	CTBC Bank	Haitong International	China PA Securities (Hong Kong) Company Limited	Shanghai Pudong Development Bank Hong Kong Branch

## Green and Blue Structuring Advisor

Bank of China

Offering Circular dated 31 October 2022

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The Bonds are governed by Hong Kong law. The Issuer has agreed that the courts of Hong Kong have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute in connection with the Bonds and has appointed Bank of Communications Co., Ltd. Hong Kong Branch (currently at 16/F, COS Centre, 56 Tsun Yip Street, Kwun Tong, Hong Kong) as its agent to accept service of process in any Proceedings (as defined in the *Terms and Conditions of the Bonds*).

To the extent that the Issuer may claim for itself immunity from any Proceedings, and to the extent that in any such jurisdiction there may be attributed to the Issuer such immunity (whether or not claimed), the Issuer hereby agrees not to claim and hereby waives and will waive such immunity in the face of the courts; provided, however, that the Issuer has not waived, and shall not waive, its sovereign and other immunity with respect to its assets wherever located from execution or attachment, whether in aid of execution, before judgment or otherwise.

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Prospective investors should be aware that certain intermediaries in the context of this offering of the Bonds, including certain Joint Lead Managers, are “capital market intermediaries” (“**CMI**s”) subject to Paragraph 21 of the Code of Conduct for Persons Licensed by or Registered with the Securities and Futures Commission (the “**Code**”). This notice to prospective investors is a summary of certain obligations the Code imposes on such CMI, which require the attention and cooperation of prospective investors. Certain CMI may also be acting as “overall coordinators” (“**OC**s”) for this offering and are subject to additional requirements under the Code.

Prospective investors who are the directors, employees or major shareholders of the Issuer, a CMI or its group companies would be considered under the Code as having an association (“**Association**”) with the Issuer, the CMI or the relevant group company. Prospective investors associated with the Issuer or any CMI (including its group companies) should specifically disclose this when placing an order for the Bonds and should disclose, at the same time, if such orders may negatively impact the price discovery process in relation to this offering. Prospective investors who do not disclose their Associations are hereby deemed not to be so associated. Where prospective investors disclose their Associations but do not disclose that such order may negatively impact the price discovery process in relation to this offering, such order is hereby deemed not to negatively impact the price discovery process in relation to this offering.

Prospective investors should ensure, and by placing an order prospective investors are deemed to confirm, that orders placed are bona fide, are not inflated and do not constitute duplicated orders (i.e. two or more corresponding or identical orders placed via two or more CMI). If a prospective investor is an asset management arm affiliated with any Joint Lead Manager, such prospective investor should indicate when placing an order if it is for a fund or portfolio where the Joint Lead Manager or its group company has more than 50% interest, in which case it will be classified as a “proprietary order” and subject to appropriate handling by CMI in accordance with the Code and should disclose, at the same time, if such “proprietary order” may negatively impact the price discovery process in relation to this offering. Prospective investors who do not indicate this information when placing an order are hereby deemed to confirm that their order is not such a

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Prospective investors should be aware that certain information may be disclosed by CMI (including private banks) which is personal and/or confidential in nature to the prospective investor. By placing an order, prospective investors are deemed to have understood and consented to the collection, disclosure, use and transfer of such information by the Joint Lead Managers and/or any other third parties as may be required by the Code, including to the Issuer, any OCs, relevant regulators and/or any other third parties as may be required by the Code, it being understood and agreed that such information shall only be used for the purpose of complying with the Code, during the bookbuilding process for this offering. Failure to provide such information may result in that order being rejected.

**IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUE OF THE BONDS, ANY JOINT LEAD MANAGER (OR PERSONS ACTING ON BEHALF OF SUCH JOINT LEAD MANAGER) MAY EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WITH A VIEW TO SUPPORTING THE MARKET PRICE OF THE BONDS AT A LEVEL HIGHER THAN THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO ASSURANCE THAT SUCH JOINT LEAD MANAGER (OR PERSONS ACTING ON BEHALF OF SUCH JOINT LEAD MANAGER) WILL UNDERTAKE STABILISATION ACTION. ANY STABILISATION ACTION MAY BEGIN ON OR AFTER THE DATE ON WHICH ADEQUATE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF THE TERMS OF THE OFFER OF THE BONDS IS MADE AND, IF BEGUN, MAY BE ENDED AT ANY TIME, BUT IT MUST END NO LATER THAN THE EARLIER OF 30 DAYS AFTER THE ISSUE DATE OF THE BONDS AND 60 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE ALLOTMENT OF THE BONDS. ANY STABILISATION ACTION OR OVER-ALLOTMENT MUST BE CONDUCTED BY SUCH JOINT LEAD MANAGER (OR PERSONS ACTING ON BEHALF OF SUCH JOINT LEAD MANAGER) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS AND RULES.**

Unless otherwise specified or the context requires, all references herein to “the Shenzhen Municipal People’s Government” or “the Issuer” and words of similar import regarding the description of the Bonds are to People’s Government of Shenzhen Municipality of Guangdong Province of the People’s Republic of China itself and references herein to “RMB” and “Renminbi” are to the lawful currency of the PRC.

Statistical information included in this Offering Circular is the latest official data publicly available at the date of this Offering Circular. Financial data provided in this Offering Circular may be subsequently revised in accordance with the Shenzhen Municipal People’s Government’s ongoing maintenance of its economic data, and that revised data will not be distributed by the Shenzhen Municipal People’s Government to any holder of the Bonds. As used in this Offering Circular, the term “N/A” identifies statistical or financial data that is not available.

References to “Hong Kong” are to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC; references to “Macao” are to the Macao Special Administrative Region of the PRC; references to “Taiwan Region” are to the Taiwan regions of the PRC; references to “U.S.” and the “United States” mean the United States of America; references to “U.S.\$” and “U.S. dollars” are to the lawful currency of the United States; references to “Shenzhen” and “Shenzhen Municipality” mean the Shenzhen Municipality of Guangdong Province of the PRC; and references to “Shenzhen Finance Bureau” mean Finance Bureau of Shenzhen Municipality of the People’s Republic of China.



Unless otherwise indicated, all references in this Offering Circular to “Bonds” are to any of the 2024 Bonds, the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds and references to a “series of Bonds” or to a “series” are to the 2024 Bonds, the 2025 Bonds or the 2027 Bonds separately and all references in this Offering Circular to “*Terms and Conditions of the Bonds*” are to the terms and conditions governing the 2024 Bonds, the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds (as applicable).

## **FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

This Offering Circular includes forward-looking statements. All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this Offering Circular regarding, among other things, Shenzhen Municipality's economy, fiscal condition, debt or prospects may constitute forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements generally can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "may", "will", "expect", "intend", "estimate", "anticipate", "believe", "continue" or similar terminology. Although the Issuer believes that the expectations reflected in its forward-looking statements are reasonable at this time, there can be no assurance that these expectations will prove to be correct.

These statements are based on the Issuer's current plans, objectives, assumptions, estimates and projections. Investors should therefore not place undue reliance on these statements. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date that they are made and the Issuer does not undertake to update any forward-looking statements in light of new information or future events. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties. The Issuer cautions that a number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement.

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## OVERVIEW OF THE OFFERING

This following overview contains certain information on the Bonds and the offering and is qualified in its entirety by the remainder of this Offering Circular. Any decision to invest in the Bonds should be based on a consideration of this Offering Circular as a whole. For a more complete description of the terms of the Bonds, see the Terms and Conditions of the Bonds.

Words and expressions defined in the Terms and Conditions of the Bonds or elsewhere in this Offering Circular have the same meanings in this overview.

<b>Issuer</b>	People's Government of Shenzhen Municipality of Guangdong Province of the People's Republic of China (the " <b>Shenzhen Municipal People's Government</b> ").
<b>Bonds offered</b>	RMB2,400,000,000 2.42 % Bonds due 2024. RMB1,500,000,000 2.65 % Bonds due 2025. RMB1,100,000,000 2.83 % Bonds due 2027.
<b>Issue date</b>	7 November 2022 (the " <b>Issue Date</b> ").
<b>Maturity date</b>	2024 Bonds: The Interest Payment Date falling on or nearest to 7 November 2024. 2025 Bonds: The Interest Payment Date falling on or nearest to 7 November 2025. 2027 Bonds: The Interest Payment Date falling on or nearest to 7 November 2027.
<b>Issue price</b>	2024 Bonds: 100% of the principal amount. 2025 Bonds: 100% of the principal amount. 2027 Bonds: 100% of the principal amount.
<b>Interest rate</b>	2024 Bonds: 2.42% per annum. 2025 Bonds: 2.65% per annum. 2027 Bonds: 2.83% per annum.
<b>Interest payment dates</b>	Semi-annually in arrear on 7 May and 7 November of each year, provided that if any Interest Payment Date would otherwise fall on a day which is not a business day, it shall be postponed to the next day which is a business day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month in which event it shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding business day.
<b>Final redemption</b>	Unless previously redeemed, or purchased and cancelled, the Bonds will be redeemed at their principal amount on the relevant Maturity Date.
<b>Events of Default</b>	If any of the events as defined in Clause 8 of the <i>Terms and Conditions of the Bonds</i> occurs and continues (each an " <b>Event of Default</b> "), the Bondholders, through an Extraordinary Resolution, might approve to give notice to the Issuer that the Bonds are, and they shall immediately become, due and payable

at their principal amount together (if applicable) with accrued and unpaid interest.

**Ranking**

The Bonds are the direct, unconditional and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and rank and will rank *pari passu*, without preference among themselves, with all other unsecured Public Indebtedness of the Issuer, from time to time outstanding, provided further, that the Issuer shall have no obligation to effect equal or rateable payment(s) at any time with respect to any such other Public Indebtedness and, in particular, shall have no obligation to pay other Public Indebtedness at the same time or as a condition of paying sums due on the Bonds and *vice versa*.

**Listing**

The Bonds will be listed on the SEHK.

**Denomination**

The denomination of the Bonds is RMB1,000,000 and integral multiples of RMB10,000 in excess thereof.

**Form**

The Bonds will be issued in registered form and will initially be represented by a global certificate in respect of each series of Bonds.

**Rating**

The Bonds have not been rated by any rating agency.

**Clearing Systems**

The CMU.

The CMU Instrument Number, ISIN and Common Code for the Bonds are:

	<b>CMU Instrument Number</b>	<b>ISIN</b>	<b>Common Code</b>
2024 Bonds	BCMFKFB22027	HK0000881943	255072153
2025 Bonds	BCMFKFB22028	HK0000881950	255072161
2027 Bonds	BCMFKFB22029	HK0000881968	255072200

**Payment of principal and interest**

Principal and interest on the Bonds will be payable in Renminbi.

**Fiscal agent, principal paying agent,  
CMU lodging agent, registrar and  
transfer agent**

Bank of Communications Co., Ltd. Hong Kong Branch.

**Governing law**

Hong Kong law.

**Use of proceeds**

The net proceeds from the offering of the 2024 Bonds will be used by the Issuer for governmental purposes.

The net proceeds from the offering of the 2025 Bonds will be used to finance Eligible Green Projects in accordance with the Green and Blue Finance Framework.

The net proceeds from the offering of the 2027 Bonds will be used to finance Eligible Blue Projects in accordance with the Green and Blue Finance Framework.

**Selling restrictions**

The Bonds have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold within the United States unless pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act

and the applicable state or local securities laws. For a description of certain restrictions on offers, sales and deliveries of Bonds and on the distribution of offering material in certain jurisdictions, see the “*Subscription and Sale*” section below.

## RISK FACTOR

*The Issuer believes that the risk factors described below represents the principal risks inherent in investing in the Bonds, but there may be other market-related risks associated with the Bonds which may not be considered significant risks by the Issuer based on information currently available to it or which it may not currently be able to anticipate. The risk factors described below are contingencies which may or may not occur. Prospective investors should also read the detailed information set out elsewhere in this Offering Circular to reach their own views prior to making any investment decision.*

### **The Bonds carry a fixed interest rate.**

The Bonds carry a fixed interest rate. The market prices of the Bonds may decrease if Renminbi interest rates increase during the term of the Bonds. Under this situation, investors may incur a loss from the decrease in the market price if they sell the Bonds before final maturity.

### **The Bonds are subject to liquidity risk.**

There may not be an active secondary market for the Bonds, and the liquidity of the Bonds may be affected by the condition of supply and demand of funds in the trading market and the changes in investors' investment preferences. In addition, there is no guarantee that the Bondholders will always be able to find a buyer if they want to sell the Bonds and *vice versa*. Hence, the Bonds are subject to certain liquidity risk.

### **The 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds may not be a suitable investment for all investors seeking exposure to green or blue assets.**

In connection with the issue of the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds, the Issuer has requested the Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency (the "HKQAA") to issue independent certification (a "HKQAA Pre-issuance Stage Certificate") confirming that the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds are in compliance with the requirements of the Green and Sustainable Finance Certification Scheme operated by the HKQAA (the "HKQAA Green and Sustainable Finance Certification Scheme").

There is currently no market consensus on what precise attributes are required for a particular project to be defined as "green" and "blue", nor can any assurance be given that such a clear definition or consensus will develop over time, and therefore no assurance can be provided to potential investors that the relevant eligible green assets will continue to meet the relevant eligibility criteria. Although applicable green projects are expected to be selected in accordance with the categories recognised by the HKQAA Green Finance and Sustainable Certification Scheme and are expected to be developed in accordance with applicable legislation and standards, there can be no guarantee that the project will deliver the environmental benefits as anticipated, or that adverse environmental and/or social impacts will not occur during the design, construction, commissioning and/or operation of any such green or blue projects. Where any negative impacts are insufficiently mitigated, green or blue projects may become controversial, and/or may be criticised by activist groups or other stakeholders.

Potential investors should be aware that the HKQAA Pre-issuance Stage Certificate will not be incorporated into, and will not form part of, this Offering Circular or the terms and conditions relating to the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds. The HKQAA Pre-issuance Stage Certificate may not reflect the potential impact of all risks related to the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds, their marketability, trading price or liquidity or any other factors that may affect the price or value of the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds. The HKQAA Pre-issuance Stage Certificate is not recommendations to buy, sell or hold securities and is only current as of its date of issue. The HKQAA Pre-issuance Stage Certificate is for information purposes only and none of the Issuer or the Joint Lead Managers accepts any form of liability for the substance of the HKQAA Pre-issuance Stage Certificate and/or any liability for loss arising from the use of the HKQAA Pre-issuance Stage Certificate and/or information provided in it.

Further, although the Issuer will use the net proceeds as described in “Use of Proceeds” below, it would not be an event of default under the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds if (i) the Issuer were to fail to comply with such obligations or were to fail to use the proceeds in the manner specified in the relevant terms and conditions and/or (ii) the HKQAA Pre-issuance Stage Certificate were to be withdrawn. Any failure to use the net proceeds of the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds in the manner specified in this Offering Circular, and/or any failure to meet, or to continue to meet, the investment requirements of certain environmentally focused investors with respect to the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds and/or withdrawal of the HKQAA Pre-issuance Stage Certificate may affect the value and/or trading price of the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds, and/or may have consequences for certain investors with portfolio mandates to invest in green or blue assets. In the event that the 2025 Bonds or the 2027 Bonds are included in any dedicated “blue”, “green” other equivalently-labelled index, no representation or assurance is given by the Issuer or any other person that such listing or admission, or inclusion in such index, satisfies any present or future investor expectations or requirements as regards to any investment criteria or guidelines with which such investor or its investments are required to comply, whether by any present or future applicable law or regulations or by its own constitutive documents or other governing rules or investment portfolio mandates.

Neither the Issuer nor the Joint Lead Managers make any representation as to the suitability for any purpose of the HKQAA Pre-issuance Stage Certificate or whether the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds fulfil the relevant environmental criteria. The Joint Lead Managers have not undertaken, nor are responsible for, any assessment of the eligibility of the Framework, or Eligible Projects, or the monitoring of the use of proceeds from the offering of the Bonds. Each potential purchaser of the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds should determine for itself the relevance of the information contained in this Offering Circular and in the terms and conditions relating to the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds regarding the use of proceeds and its purchase of the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds should be based upon such investigation as it deems necessary. Therefore, the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds may not be a suitable investment for all investors seeking exposure to green and blue assets. The examples of Eligible Projects in the section entitled “*Green and Blue Finance Framework*” in this Offering Circular are for illustrative purposes only and subject to change, and no assurance can be provided that disbursements for projects with these specific characteristics will be made by the Issuer during the term of the 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds.



## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE 2024 BONDS

*The following are the terms and conditions substantially in the form in which they will appear on the reverse of each of the definitive certificates evidencing the 2024 Bonds.*

The RMB2,400,000,000 2.42% bonds due 2024 (the “**Bonds**”) of People’s Government of Shenzhen Municipality of Guangdong Province of the People’s Republic of China (the “**Shenzhen Municipal People’s Government**” or the “**Issuer**”) are the subject of a fiscal agency agreement dated on or about 7 November 2022 (the “**Fiscal Agency Agreement**”) between the Issuer and Bank of Communications Co., Ltd. Hong Kong Branch as the fiscal agent, principal paying agent, CMU lodging agent, transfer agent and registrar. The fiscal agent, principal paying agent, CMU lodging agent, transfer agent and registrar for the time being and the paying agents to be appointed by the Issuer in the future are referred to below respectively as the “**Fiscal Agent**”, the “**Principal Paying Agent**”, the “**CMU Lodging Agent**”, the “**Transfer Agent**”, the “**Registrar**” and the “**Paying Agents**” (which expression shall include the Fiscal Agent). The issuance of the Bonds has been authorised by the State Council of the People’s Republic of China and has been approved by the Ministry of Finance of the People’s Republic of China. The Bonds are included in the 2022 fiscal budget adjustment plan of Shenzhen as approved by the Standing Committee of the People’s Congress of Shenzhen Municipality of Guangdong Province of the People’s Republic of China. In accordance with the Budget Law of the People’s Republic of China, the Regulation on the Implementation of the Budget Law of the People’s Republic of China (Decree of the State Council of the People’s Republic of China (No. 729)), the Opinion of the State Council on Strengthening the Management of Local Government Debt (Decree of the State Council of the People’s Republic of China (No. 43, 2014)) and the Administrative Measures for the Local Government Bonds Issuance (Decree of the Ministry of Finance of the People’s Republic of China (No. 43, 2020)), the Bonds are issued as special bonds, which will constitute special debt of the Issuer.

The Fiscal Agency Agreement includes the form of the Bonds. Copies of the Fiscal Agency Agreement are available for inspection during normal business hours at the specified office of the Fiscal Agent. The holders of the Bonds are deemed to have notice of all the provisions of the Fiscal Agency Agreement applicable to them.

Words and expressions defined in the Fiscal Agency Agreement shall have the same meanings where used in these terms and conditions (the “**Conditions**”) unless the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise stated.

### 1 Form, Denomination and Title

The Bonds will be issued in registered form in the denomination of RMB1,000,000 and integral multiples of RMB10,000 in excess thereof.

The Bonds are represented by registered certificates (“**Certificates**”) and, save as provided in Condition 2(a), each Certificate shall represent the entire holding of Bonds by the same holder (as defined below).

Title to the Bonds shall pass by registration in the register that the Issuer shall procure to be kept by the Registrar in accordance with the provisions of the Fiscal Agency Agreement (the “**Register**”). Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the holder of any Bond shall be deemed to be and may be treated as its absolute owner for all purposes whether or not it is overdue and regardless of any notice of ownership, trust or any interest in it, any writing on the Certificate representing it or the theft or loss of such Certificate and no person shall be liable for so treating the holder.

In these Conditions, “**Bondholder**” and “**holder**” means the person in whose name a Bond is registered (or in the case of a joint holding, the first name thereof).

## 2 Transfers of Bonds

- (a) **Transfer:** A holding of Bonds may, subject to Condition 2(d), be transferred in whole or in part upon the surrender (at the specified office of the Registrar or any Transfer Agent) of the Certificate(s) representing such Bonds to be transferred, together with the form of transfer endorsed on such Certificate(s) (or another form of transfer substantially in the same form and containing the same representations and certifications (if any), unless otherwise agreed by the Issuer), duly completed and executed and any other evidence as the Registrar or Transfer Agent may require. In the case of a transfer of part only of a holding of Bonds represented by one Certificate, a new Certificate shall be issued to the transferee in respect of the part transferred and a further new Certificate in respect of the balance of the holding not transferred shall be issued to the transferor. In the case of a transfer of Bonds to a person who is already a holder of Bonds, a new Certificate representing the enlarged holding shall only be issued against surrender of the Certificate representing the existing holding. All transfers of Bonds and entries on the Register will be made in accordance with the detailed regulations concerning transfers of Bonds scheduled to the Fiscal Agency Agreement. The regulations may be changed by the Issuer, with the prior written approval of the Registrar and the Fiscal Agent. A copy of the current regulations will be made available by the Registrar to any Bondholder during usual business hours upon prior written request.
- (b) **Delivery of New Certificates:** Each new Certificate to be issued pursuant to Condition 2(a) shall be available for delivery within three business days of receipt of a duly completed form of transfer and surrender of the existing Certificate(s). Delivery of the new Certificate(s) shall be made at the specified office of the Transfer Agent or of the Registrar (as the case may be) to whom delivery or surrender of such form of transfer or Certificate shall have been made or, at the option of the holder making such delivery or surrender as aforesaid and as specified in the relevant form of transfer or otherwise in writing, be mailed by uninsured post at the risk of the holder entitled to the new Certificate to such address as may be so specified, unless such holder requests otherwise and pays in advance to the relevant Transfer Agent or the Registrar (as the case may be) the costs of such other method of delivery and/or such insurance as it may specify. In this Condition 2(b), “**business day**” means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which banks are open for business in the place of the specified office of the relevant Transfer Agent or the Registrar (as the case may be).
- (c) **Transfer Free of Charge:** Certificates, on transfer, shall be issued and registered without charge by or on behalf of the Issuer, the Registrar or any Transfer Agent, but upon payment of any tax, duty, assessment or other governmental charges that may be imposed in relation to it (or the giving of such indemnity as the Registrar or the relevant Transfer Agent may require).
- (d) **Closed Periods:** No Bondholder may require the transfer of a Bond to be registered (i) during the period of 15 days ending on (and including) the due date for redemption of that Bond, or (ii) during the period of seven days ending on (and including) any Record Date (as defined in Condition 6(a)).

## 3 Status of Bonds

The Bonds are the direct, unconditional and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and rank and will rank *pari passu*, without preference among themselves, with all other unsecured Public Indebtedness of the Issuer, from time to time outstanding, provided further, that the Issuer shall have no obligation to effect equal or rateable payment(s) at any time with respect to any such other Public Indebtedness and, in particular, shall have no obligation to pay other Public Indebtedness at the same time or as a condition of paying sums due on the Bonds and *vice versa*.

In this Condition:

- (a) “**Public Indebtedness**” means Indebtedness represented or evidenced by notes, bonds or other similar instruments of the kind customarily offered in the public securities markets and of the kind customarily subject to listing and trading on securities exchanges (without regard, however, to whether or not the instruments are offered through public distributions or in private placements); and
- (b) “**Indebtedness**” means any indebtedness for money borrowed or any guarantee of indebtedness for money borrowed which, in either case: (i) has an original maturity in excess of one year; and (ii) is backed by the full faith and credit of the Shenzhen Municipal People’s Government and shall not include the borrowings of any state-owned corporation or in the name of any agency or instrumentality of the Shenzhen Municipality of the People’s Republic of China or the People’s Republic of China (the “**PRC**”) (whether or not such corporation, agency or instrumentality has, under the laws of the PRC, a separate legal existence).

#### 4 Interest

- (a) **Interest Payment Dates**

The Bonds bear interest from and including 7 November 2022 (the “**Issue Date**”) at the rate of 2.42% per annum, payable semi-annually in arrear on 7 May and 7 November in each year (each an “**Interest Payment Date**”), provided that if any Interest Payment Date would otherwise fall on a day which is not a business day (as defined below), it shall be postponed to the next day which is a business day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month in which event it shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding business day. In these Conditions, the period beginning on (and including) the Issue Date and ending on (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each successive period beginning on (and including) an Interest Payment Date and ending on (but excluding) the next succeeding Interest Payment Date is called an “**Interest Period**”.

- (b) **Interest Payments**

Each Bond will cease to bear interest from the due date for redemption unless, upon surrender of the Certificate representing such Bond, payment of principal is improperly withheld or refused. In such event it shall continue to bear interest on the principal amount in respect of which payment has been improperly withheld or refused in accordance with this Condition (both before and after judgment) until the day on which all sums due in respect of such Bond up to that day are received by or on behalf of the relevant Bondholder.

- (c) **Calculation of Interest**

If interest is required to be calculated for a period of less than an Interest Period, the relevant day-count fraction will be determined on the basis of (i) the actual number of days in the period from and including the date from which interest begins to accrue (the “**Accrual Date**”) to but excluding the date on which it falls due divided by (ii) 365.

Interest in respect of any Bond shall be calculated per RMB10,000 in principal amount of the Bonds (the “**Calculation Amount**”). The amount of interest payable per Calculation Amount for any period shall be equal to the product of the rate of interest specified above, the Calculation Amount and the day-count fraction for the relevant period, rounding the resulting figure to the nearest RMB0.01 (RMB0.005 being rounded upwards).

- (d) **Business day**

In this Condition, the expression “**business day**” means a day (other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday) upon which commercial banks are generally open for business and settlement of Renminbi payments in Beijing and Hong Kong.

## 5 Redemption and Purchase

### (a) Final redemption

Unless previously redeemed, or purchased and cancelled, the Bonds will be redeemed at their principal amount on the Interest Payment Date falling on, or nearest to, 7 November 2024 (the “**Maturity Date**”).

### (b) Purchases

The Issuer may at any time purchase Bonds in the open market or through designated lawful institutions at any price. Any Certificates representing the Bonds purchased pursuant to this Condition 5(b) may be held, reissued, resold or surrendered to the Fiscal Agent for cancellation. The Bonds so purchased, while held by or on behalf of the Issuer, shall not entitle the holder to vote at any meetings of the Bondholders and shall not be deemed to be outstanding for the purposes of determining quorums at meetings of the Bondholders or for the purposes of Condition 9.

## 6 Payments

### (a) Method of Payment

- (i) Payments of principal shall be made (subject to surrender of the relevant Certificates at the specified office of any Transfer Agent or of the Registrar if no further payment falls to be made in respect of the Bonds represented by such Certificates) in Renminbi by transfer to the registered account of the Bondholder.
- (ii) Interest on each Bond shall be paid to the person shown on the Register at the close of business on the Payment Business Day before the due date for payment thereof (the “**Record Date**”). Payments of interest on each Bond shall be made in Renminbi by transfer to the registered account of the Bondholder.

For the purposes of this Condition 6, a Bondholder’s “**registered account**” means the Renminbi account maintained by or on behalf of it with a bank in Hong Kong, details of which appear on the Register.

- (iii) If the amount of principal being paid upon surrender of the relevant Certificate is less than the outstanding principal amount of such Certificate, the Registrar will annotate the Register with the amount of principal so paid and will (if so requested by the Issuer or a Bondholder) issue a new Certificate with a principal amount equal to the remaining unpaid outstanding principal amount. If the amount of interest being paid is less than the amount then due, the Registrar will annotate the Register with the amount of interest so paid.

### (b) Payments subject to laws

All payments in respect of the Bonds are subject in all cases to any applicable fiscal or other laws, regulations and directives in the place of payment, but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 7. No commissions or expenses shall be charged to the Bondholders in respect of such payments.

### (c) Payment Initiation

Payment instructions (for value the due date, or if that is not a Payment Business Day, for value the first following day which is a Payment Business Day) will be initiated on the due date for payment or, in the case of payments of principal where the relevant Certificate has not been surrendered at the specified office of any Transfer Agent or of the Registrar, on a Payment Business Day on which the Fiscal Agent is open for business and on which the relevant Certificate is surrendered.

(d) **Appointment of Agents**

The Fiscal Agent, the Principal Paying Agent, the CMU Lodging Agent, the Transfer Agent and the Registrar initially appointed by the Issuer and their respective specified office are listed below. The Fiscal Agent, the Principal Paying Agent, the CMU Lodging Agent, the Transfer Agent and the Registrar act solely as agents of the Issuer and do not assume any obligation or relationship of agency or trust for or with any Bondholder. The Issuer reserves the right at any time to vary or terminate the appointment of the Fiscal Agent, the Principal Paying Agent, the CMU Lodging Agent, the Transfer Agent or the Registrar and to appoint additional or other Paying Agents or Transfer Agents, provided that the Issuer shall at all times maintain (i) a Fiscal Agent, (ii) a Principal Paying Agent, (iii) a CMU Lodging Agent, (iv) a Registrar, (v) a Transfer Agent and (vi) such other agents as may be required by any other stock exchange on which the Bonds may be listed. Notice of any such change or any change of any specified office shall promptly be given to the Bondholders in accordance with Condition 12.

(e) **Delay in Payments**

Bondholders will not be entitled to any interest or other payment for any delay after the due date in receiving the amount due on a Bond if the due date is not a Payment Business Day, if the Bondholder is late in surrendering or cannot surrender its Certificate (if required to do so).

(f) **Non-Payment Business Days**

If any date for payment in respect of any Bond is not a Payment Business Day, the holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Business Day nor to any interest or other sum in respect of such postponed payment. In this Condition 6, “**Payment Business Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which (i) commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business in the place in which the specified office of the Registrar is located and in Beijing and Hong Kong; and (ii) commercial banks in Beijing are not authorised or obligated by law or executive order to be closed.

## **7 Taxation and Withholding**

All payments (whether in respect of principal, interest or otherwise) in respect of the Bonds will be made free and clear of, and without withholding or deduction for, any taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, collected, withheld or assessed by or on behalf of the PRC, or any political subdivision or any authority thereof or therein having power to tax, unless such withholding or deduction is required by law. In that event, the Issuer shall pay such additional amounts as will result in the receipt by the Bondholder of such amounts as would have been received by such Bondholder if no such withholding or deduction had been required.

For the avoidance of doubt, the obligation of the Issuer to pay additional amounts in respect of taxes, duties, assessments and other governmental charges will not apply to (a) any estate, inheritance, gift, sales, transfer, personal property or any similar tax, duty, assessment or other governmental charge or (b) any tax, duty, assessment or other governmental charge which is payable otherwise than by deduction or withholding from payments of principal of, or interest on, the Bonds.

Except as specifically provided in this Condition 7, the Issuer shall not be required to make any payment with respect to any stamp or other taxes, duties, assessments or other governmental charges, if any, imposed by any government or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein. Whenever in these Conditions there is a reference, in any context, to the payment of the principal of, or interest on, or in respect of, the Bonds, such mention shall be deemed to include mention of the payment of additional amounts provided for in this Condition 7 to the extent that, in such context, additional amounts are, were or would be payable in respect thereof pursuant to the provisions of this Condition 7 and express mention of the payment of additional amounts (if applicable) in any provision hereof shall not be construed as excluding additional amounts in those provisions hereof where such express mention is not made.

## **8 Events of Default**

If any of the following events occurs and continues (each an “**Event of Default**”), the Bondholders, through an Extraordinary Resolution, might approve to give notice to the Issuer that all the Bonds are, and they shall immediately become, due and payable at their principal amount together with accrued and unpaid interest:

- (a) a default is made in the payment of any principal or interest in respect of the Bonds and such default is not cured within 30 days of the due date for payment;
- (b) the failure by the Issuer to observe or perform any other provision of these Conditions, and where it is not clearly impossible to remedy such failure, it is not remedied within 60 days following delivery to the Issuer of written notice of such default;
- (c) the failure by the Issuer to make any payment when due of principal or financial charge in excess of U.S.\$50,000,000 (or its equivalent in other currencies) (whether upon maturity, acceleration or otherwise) on or in connection with the Public Indebtedness of the Shenzhen Municipal People’s Government, and such failure by the Issuer continues for 30 days or more after the expiry of any applicable grace period following the date on which such payment became due;
- (d) the Issuer declares a suspension of, or a moratorium with respect to, the payments of the Public Indebtedness of the Shenzhen Municipal People’s Government generally; or
- (e) at any time it becomes unlawful for the Issuer to perform or comply with any of its payment obligations under the Bonds or any of the payment obligations of the Issuer under the Bonds ceases to be legal, valid, binding and enforceable on it.

An “**Extraordinary Resolution**” means a resolution passed at a meeting duly convened and held in accordance with the Fiscal Agency Agreement by a majority of at least 75% of the votes cast.

## **9 Meetings of Bondholders, Written Resolutions**

- (a) **Convening Meetings of Bondholders, Conduct of Meetings of Bondholders, Written Resolutions**
  - (i) The Fiscal Agency Agreement contains provisions for convening meetings of the holders of Bonds for the time being outstanding (as defined in the Fiscal Agency Agreement) to consider any matter affecting their interests, including the sanctioning by Extraordinary Resolution of a modification of any of these Conditions. Such a meeting may be convened by the Issuer or by Bondholders holding not less than 10% in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds for the time being outstanding. The quorum for any meeting convened to consider an Extraordinary Resolution will be two or more persons holding or representing a clear majority in the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned meeting two or more persons being or representing Bondholders whatever the principal amount of the Bonds

held or represented, unless the business of such meeting includes consideration of proposals, inter alia, (i) to modify the maturity of the Bonds or the dates on which interest is payable in respect of the Bonds, (ii) to reduce or cancel the principal amount of, or interest on, the Bonds, (iii) to sanction any proposal by the Issuer for changing the currency of payment of the Bonds, or (iv) to modify the provisions concerning the quorum required at any meeting of Bondholders or the majority required to pass an Extraordinary Resolution, in which case the necessary quorum will be two or more persons holding or representing not less than 75%, or at any adjourned meeting not less than 25%, in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds for the time being outstanding. Any Extraordinary Resolution duly passed shall be binding on Bondholders (whether or not they were present at the meeting at which such resolution was passed).

- (ii) The Fiscal Agency Agreement provides that a resolution in writing signed by or on behalf of the holders of not less than 90% in principal amount of the Bonds for the time being outstanding (as defined in the Fiscal Agency Agreement) shall for all purposes be as valid and effective as an Extraordinary Resolution passed at a meeting of Bondholders duly convened and held. Such a resolution in writing may be contained in one document or several documents in the same form, each signed by or on behalf of one or more Bondholders.

(b) **Manifest error, etc.**

The Bonds, these Conditions and the provisions of the Fiscal Agency Agreement may be amended without the consent of the Bondholders to correct a manifest error. In addition, the parties to the Fiscal Agency Agreement may agree to modify any provision thereof, but the Issuer shall not agree, without the consent of the Bondholders, to any such modification unless it is of a formal, minor or technical nature or it is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Bondholders.

(c) **Bonds controlled by the Issuer**

For the purposes of (x) determining the right to attend and vote at any meeting of Bondholders, or the right to sign or confirm in writing, or authorise the signature of, any Written Resolution (as defined in the Fiscal Agency Agreement) and (y) this Condition 9, any Bonds which are for the time being held by or on behalf of the Issuer or by or on behalf of any person which is owned or controlled directly or indirectly by the Issuer or by any public sector instrumentality of the Issuer shall be disregarded and be deemed not to remain outstanding, where:

- (i) “**public sector instrumentality**” means Finance Bureau of Shenzhen Municipality of Guangdong Province of the People’s Republic of China, any other department or agency of the Issuer or any corporation, trust, financial institution or other entity owned or controlled by the Issuer or any of the foregoing; and
- (ii) “**control**” means the power, directly or indirectly, through the ownership of voting securities or other ownership interests or through contractual control or otherwise, to direct the management of or elect or appoint a majority of the board of directors or other persons performing similar functions in lieu of, or in addition to, the board of directors of a corporation, trust, financial institution or other entity.

A Bond will also be deemed to be not outstanding if the Bond has previously been cancelled or delivered for cancellation or held for reissuance but not reissued, or, where relevant, the Bond has previously been called for redemption in accordance with its terms or previously become due and payable at maturity or otherwise and the Issuer has previously satisfied its obligations to make all payments due in respect of the Bond in accordance with its terms.

In advance of any meeting of Bondholders, or in connection with any Written Resolution, the Issuer shall provide to the Fiscal Agent a copy of a certificate, which includes information on the total number of Bonds which are for the time being held by or on behalf of the Issuer or by or on behalf of any person which is owned or controlled directly or indirectly by the Issuer or by any public sector instrumentality of the Issuer and, as such, such Bonds shall be disregarded and deemed not to remain outstanding for the purposes of ascertaining the right to attend and vote at any meeting of Bondholders or the right to sign, or authorise the signature of, any Written Resolution in respect of any such meeting. The Fiscal Agent shall make any such certificate available for inspection during normal business hours at its specified office and, upon reasonable request, will allow copies of such certificate to be taken.

## **10 Waiver or Authorisation of Breach of Fiscal Agency Agreement**

Notwithstanding any provision of Condition 9, the Issuer shall only permit any waiver or authorisation of any breach or proposed breach of or any failure to comply with, the Fiscal Agency Agreement, without the consent of the Bondholders, if to do so could not reasonably be expected to be prejudicial to the interests of the Bondholders.

## **11 Prescription**

The right of a Bondholder to receive any payment under the Bonds shall become void ten years (in the case of principal) or six years (in the case of interest) after the due date for payment thereof.

## **12 Notices**

Any notice to the holder of any definitive Bond shall be validly given if published in a leading newspaper having a general circulation in Hong Kong (which is expected to be the *South China Morning Post*) or, if that newspaper shall cease to be published or timely publication therein shall not be practicable, in another English language newspaper with general circulation in Hong Kong or, in either case, in such other manner as the Issuer shall determine. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given on the date of first publication in an English language newspaper.

## **13 Replacement of Bonds**

Any Certificate which is lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed may be replaced at the specified office of the Registrar or such other Transfer Agent as may from time to time be designated by the Issuer for that purpose and notice of whose designation is given to Bondholders, in each case on payment by the claimant of the expense incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence, indemnity, security or otherwise as the Issuer may require (provided that the requirement is reasonable in light of prevailing market practice). Mutilated or defaced Certificates must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

## **14 Further Issues**

The Issuer may from time to time, without the consent of holders of the Bonds, create and issue further bonds having the same terms and conditions as the Bonds in all respects, except for the issue date, issue price and the first payment of interest thereon. Additional bonds issued in this manner will be consolidated with and will form a single series with the Bonds.



## **15 Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Ordinance (Cap 623)**

No person shall have any right to enforce any term or condition of the Bonds under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Ordinance (Cap 623).

## **16 Governing Law and Jurisdiction**

### **(a) Governing law**

The Bonds are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, Hong Kong law.

### **(b) Jurisdiction**

The courts of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China are to have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with the Bonds and accordingly any suit, action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Bonds (together referred to as "**Proceedings**") may be brought in such courts. Each of the Issuer, the Agents and any Bondholder irrevocably submits to the jurisdiction of such courts and waives any objection to Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient or inappropriate forum.

### **(c) Agent for Service of Process**

The Issuer hereby appoints Bank of Communications Co., Ltd. Hong Kong Branch (currently at 16/F, COS Centre, 56 Tsun Yip Street, Kwun Tong, Hong Kong) as its agent in Hong Kong to receive service of process in any Proceedings in Hong Kong based on the Fiscal Agency Agreement and the Bonds.

### **(d) Waiver of immunity**

To the extent that the Issuer may in any jurisdiction claim for itself immunity from any such Proceedings, and to the extent that in any such jurisdiction there may be attributed to the Issuer such immunity (whether or not claimed), the Issuer hereby agrees not to claim and hereby waives and will waive such immunity in the face of the courts; provided, however, that the Issuer has not waived, and shall not waive, its sovereign and other immunity with respect to its assets wherever located from execution or attachment, whether in aid of execution, before judgment or otherwise.

## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE 2025 BONDS**

The terms and conditions of the 2025 Bonds will be identical to those under “Terms and Conditions of the 2024 Bonds” except as set out below and references to “Bonds” shall be construed as references to the 2025 Bonds.

1. The principal amount of the 2025 Bonds shall be RMB1,500,000,000.
2. The rate of interest of the 2025 Bonds shall be 2.65% per annum.
3. The maturity date of the 2025 Bonds shall be the Interest Payment Date falling on, or nearest to 7 November 2025.

## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE 2027 BONDS**

The terms and conditions of the 2027 Bonds will be identical to those under “Terms and Conditions of the 2024 Bonds” except as set out below and references to “Bonds” shall be construed as references to the 2027 Bonds.

1. The principal amount of the 2027 Bonds shall be RMB1,100,000,000.
2. The rate of interest of the 2027 Bonds shall be 2.83% per annum.
3. The maturity date of the 2027 Bonds shall be the Interest Payment Date falling on, or nearest to 7 November 2027.

## **SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE BONDS WHILE IN GLOBAL FORM**

The Fiscal Agency Agreement and each Global Certificate contain provisions which apply to the Bonds while they are in global form, some of which modify the effect of the terms and conditions of the Bonds set out in this Offering Circular. The following is a summary of certain of those provisions. Capitalised terms used but not defined in this section have the meanings given to them in the Fiscal Agency Agreement.

### **1. Principal Amount and Exchange**

The principal amount of the Bonds shall be the aggregate amount from time to time entered in the records of the Central Moneymarkets Unit Service (the “**CMU**”) or any alternative clearing system (the “**Alternative Clearing System**”) (each a “**relevant Clearing System**”). The records of such relevant Clearing System shall be conclusive evidence of the principal amount of Bonds represented by the relevant Global Certificate and a statement issued by such relevant Clearing System at any time shall be conclusive evidence of the records of that relevant Clearing System at that time. Each Global Certificate will be registered in the name of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (“**HKMA**”) as operator (the “**Operator**”) of the CMU and may be delivered on or prior to the Issue Date. Upon the registration of the relevant Global Certificate in the name of the HKMA as the Operator of the CMU and delivery of such Global Certificate to a sub-custodian for the HKMA as the Operator of the CMU, CMU will credit each subscriber with a principal amount of Bonds equal to the principal amount thereof for which it has subscribed and paid.

### **2. Payments**

Payments of principal and interest in respect of the Bonds represented by the Global Certificates will be made without presentation or if no further payment falls to be made in respect of the Bonds, against surrender of the relevant Global Certificate at the specified office of any Transfer Agent or of the Registrar. So long as any of the Bonds are represented by the relevant Global Certificate, each payment will be made to the persons for whose account a relevant interest in the relevant Global Certificate is credited as being held with the CMU in accordance with the CMU Rules at the relevant time and payment made in accordance thereof. Such payment will discharge the Issuer’s obligations in respect of that payment. For these purpose, a notification from the CMU shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the CMU (save in the case of manifest error), and each payment will be made to, or to the order of, person(s) for whose account(s) interest(s) in the relevant Global Certificate are credited as being held by the CMU in accordance with the CMU Rules at the close of business on the Business Day immediately prior to the date for payment where “**Business Day**” means a day on which the relevant clearing system is operating and open for business. Any payments by the CMU participants to indirect participants will be governed by arrangements agreed between the CMU participants and the indirect participants and will continue to depend on the inter-bank clearing system and traditional payment methods. Such payments will be the sole responsibility of such CMU participants.

### **3. Notices**

For so long as the Bonds are represented by the relevant Global Certificate and such Global Certificate is held on behalf of the Operator or any Alternative Clearing System, notices required to be given to holders of such Bonds may be given by delivery of the relevant notice to CMU on the day on which such notice is delivered to the CMU, or as the case may be, to the person(s) confirmed by the relevant Alternative Clearing System, on the Business Day preceding the date of despatch of such notice as holding interests in the Global Certificate rather than by publication as required by the *Terms and Conditions of the Bonds*, where “**Business Day**” means a day on which the relevant clearing system is operating and open for business.

4. **Meetings**

The registered holder of the relevant Global Certificate shall (unless such Global Certificate represents only one Bond) be treated as two persons for the purposes of any quorum requirements of a meeting of holders of the Bonds and, at any such meeting, as having one vote in respect of each RMB10,000 in principal amount of Bonds.

5. **Default**

If principal in respect of any Bonds is not paid when due and payable (but subject as provided in the relevant Global Certificate), the holder of the Bonds represented by the relevant Global Certificate may from time to time elect that Direct Rights under the provisions of the relevant Global Certificate shall come into effect. Such election shall be made in the manner described in the relevant Global Certificate.

6. **Electronic Consent and Written Resolution**

While the relevant Global Certificate is held on behalf of a relevant Clearing System, then:

- (a) approval of a resolution proposed by the Issuer given by way of electronic consents communicated through the electronic communications systems of the relevant Clearing System(s) in accordance with their operating rules and procedures (i) by or on behalf of the holders who for the time being are entitled to receive notice of a Meeting under the Fiscal Agency Agreement or (ii) (where such holders have been given at least 21 days' notice of such resolution) by or on behalf of persons holding at least the relevant percentage of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Bonds of the relevant series as provided in the Fiscal Agency Agreement, shall, for all purposes take effect as a resolution in accordance with the Fiscal Agency Agreement and shall be binding on all relevant Bondholders of the relevant series whether or not they participated in such Electronic Consent; and
- (b) where Electronic Consent is not being sought, for the purpose of determining whether a Written Resolution (as defined in the *Terms and Conditions of the Bonds*) has been validly passed in respect of a series, the Issuer shall be entitled to rely on consent or instructions given in writing directly to the Issuer by accountholders in the relevant Clearing System with entitlements to the relevant Global Certificate or, where the accountholders hold any such entitlement on behalf of another person, on written consent from or written instruction by the person identified by that accountholder as the person for whom such entitlement beneficially held, subject to and in accordance with the provisions as further set out in the Fiscal Agency Agreement.

## INTRODUCTION TO SHENZHEN

### Overview

The Bonds are being issued by the Shenzhen Municipal People's Government. The full faith and credit of the Shenzhen Municipal People's Government is pledged for the due and punctual payment of all the principal and interest of the Bonds and the timely and proper performance of all its obligations under the Bonds.

The Bonds have been included in the 2022 fiscal budget adjustment plan of Shenzhen as approved by the Standing Committee of the People's Congress of Shenzhen Municipality of Guangdong Province of the People's Republic of China. The Bonds are part of the debt of the Shenzhen Municipal People's Government.

Shenzhen is a Chinese national economic core city. It is also a hub for technological innovation, finance, trade and commerce and logistics in China with growing global recognition and impact. As the most influential and developed special economic zone in China and the vanguard spearheading China's reform and opening-up policy, Shenzhen is a pioneer at the forefront of the new era. It strives to build a moderately prosperous society in all respects with high quality, to promote the development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, to establish a pilot demonstration area of socialism with Chinese characteristics, to become the model city of China's building of a great modern socialist country and to work tirelessly to realise the Chinese dream of national rejuvenation.

### Geographical Location

Shenzhen is a coastal city in South China, adjoining Hong Kong. Its longitude lies between 113.43 and 114.38 degrees east, and its latitude between 22.24 and 22.52 degrees north. Shenzhen is in the south of Guangdong Province and on the east coast of the Pearl River estuary, with Daya Bay and Dapeng Bay in the east, the Pearl River estuary and Lingding Channel in the west, the Shenzhen River connected to Hong Kong in the south and bordering the cities of Dongguan and Huizhou in the north. Its vast sea area connects the South China Sea and the Pacific Ocean. It covers the total area of 1,997.47 square kilometres.

### Administrative Divisions

Shenzhen is a provincial municipality under Guangdong Province and a sub-provincial city under separate state planning. It has direct jurisdiction over nine districts and one new area: Futian, Luohu, Yantian, Nanshan, Bao'an, Longgang, Longhua, Pingshan and Guangming districts, and the Dapeng New Area. The special economic zone was expanded to cover the whole city on 1 July 2010. Shenzhen Shenshan Special Cooperation Zone was officially inaugurated on 16 December 2018.

### Population

According to the results of the Seventh National Population Census<sup>1</sup>, the permanent population<sup>2</sup> of Shenzhen was 17,560,061, representing an increase of 7,136,088, or 68.46%, from ten years ago, with a Compound Annual Growth Rate ("CAGR") of 5.35% over the past ten years. 13,965,964 people were between 15 to 59 of age, accounting for 79.53% of the permanent population.

The reform and opening-up policy and the special geographical environment have fostered Shenzhen's unique open, inclusive and innovative culture. Shenzhen has become an emerging immigrant city with unique immigration culture.

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<sup>1</sup> As at 12:00 a.m., 1 November 2020.

<sup>2</sup> The permanent population of Shenzhen refers to the population of 11 districts in Shenzhen (including Dapeng New Area and Shenzhen-Shanwei Special Cooperation Zone), excluding Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan residents and foreigners living in 11 districts in Shenzhen (including Dapeng New Area and Shenzhen-Shanwei Special Cooperation Zone).

## ECONOMY

### Overview

In 2021, Shenzhen's regional gross domestic product ("GDP") reached RMB3,066.485 billion, representing an increase of 6.7% over the last year and a CAGR of 4.9% over the past two years, based on comparable prices.

### Recent Developments

In the first half of 2022, Shenzhen's GDP was RMB1,501.691 billion, representing an increase of 3.0% over the same period in 2021, based on comparable prices. In the first half of 2022, the value-added industrial output by Shenzhen's industrial enterprises above designated size increased by 5.9% over the same period in 2021, based on comparable prices.

In the first half of 2022, investment in fixed assets in Shenzhen increased by 14.7% over the same period in 2021 (based on current prices). Industrial investment grew strongly and increased by 50.8% over the same period in 2021 (based on current prices). Among them, manufacturing investment increased by 45.9% (based on current prices) and investment in real estate development projects increased by 10.5% (based on current prices) over the same period in 2021.

In June 2022, Shenzhen's market sales recovered rapidly, and the total retail sales of consumer goods increased by 13.0% over the same period in 2021 (based on current prices), the monthly growth rate reaching a new high in 2022. The retail sales of units above designated size increased by 26.4% over the same period in 2021 (based on current prices), with an increase of 23.6 percentage points compared to that in May 2022. In the first half of 2022, Shenzhen's total retail sales of consumer goods amounted to RMB448.300 billion, remaining the same level over the same period in 2021 (based on current prices). In the first half of 2022, Shenzhen's total value of imports and exports amounted to RMB1,615.26 billion, representing an increase of 1.4% over the same period in 2021 (based on current prices).

### Economic Development Goals

In May 2021, the First Session of the Seventh People's Congress of Shenzhen Municipality passed the *14th Five-Year Plan for National Economic and Social Development and Long-term Objectives of Year 2035 for Shenzhen* (the "**14th Five-Year Plan for Shenzhen**"), which set forth the following main goals for Shenzhen's economic and social development during the 14th Five-Year Plan period (from 2021 to 2025):

- To be one of the leading cities globally in terms of economic power and development quality;
- To significantly improve its innovation capabilities;
- To substantially enhance its cultural soft power;
- To improve the welfare of the people to a new level;
- To improve the quality of the ecological environment to an internationally advanced level; and
- To substantially achieve the modernisation of the urban governance system and capability.

### Key Economic Strategies

As stated in the 14th Five-Year Plan for Shenzhen, the city aims to adhere to the combination of the concepts of both prudent exploration and top-level design to achieve a series of major systematic breakthroughs that can be promoted and replicated in the reform of key areas and stages. Furthermore, Shenzhen aims to facilitate the system integration and efficient coordination in reform and to serve as an important model for national structural construction.

As stated in the 14th Five-Year Plan for Shenzhen, Shenzhen aims to thoroughly implement the strategy of expanding domestic demand, deepen the supply-side structural reform, improve the adaptability of supply to domestic demand and focus on promoting and creating new demand. It plans to accelerate the formation of a system of rules and regulations in line with the international standards and facilitate the efficient connection between, and the two-way opening of, domestic and international markets. Furthermore, Shenzhen aims to play a key role and provide strong support to Guangdong Province in its development strategies.

- To support the domestic economic cycle:
  - (1) **Focusing on improving the quality of supply.** Relying on the large scale of the domestic market, Shenzhen aims to deepen its ties to the domestic economy, strengthen its economic depth and connect production, distribution, circulation, consumption and other stages of the economy.
  - (2) **Building an efficient and intensive national logistics hub system.** Shenzhen plans to accelerate the development of smart logistics, bonded logistics and cold-chain logistics and the building of international logistics parks and professional logistics bases. It also aims to cultivate a group of world-class logistics platforms and modern logistics supply chain enterprises with global resource allocation capabilities.
  - (3) **Becoming the hub for international conventions and exhibitions.** Shenzhen aims to improve the operation and service levels of the convention and exhibition venues, explore the new model of “internet + exhibition” combining online and offline ends and promote an international, professional and brand-oriented exhibition industry.
  - (4) **Vigorously expanding targeted and effective investment.** Shenzhen aims to optimise the investment structure, promote the growth of investment and leverage the role of investment in expanding demand and optimising supply. It aims to increase investment in major industry projects, strengthen the potential of advanced manufacturing industries, promote enterprise equipment renewal and technological transformation and strengthen the policy incentives for industrial investment.
  
- To connect internal and external dual circulation:
  - (1) **Developing new types of international trade.** Shenzhen strives to deepen the pilot program of innovative development of trade in services, build mechanisms for the promotion of trade in technologies, explore the potential administration of negative lists for cross-border trade in services and expand featured service export bases for testing and maintenance and bonded exhibition and trade. It aims to vigorously develop research and development contract outsourcing, software information services and other service trades.
  - (2) **Accelerating the optimisation and upgrade of foreign trade.** Shenzhen aims to strengthen general trade and encourage the extension of processing trade to both ends of the industrial chain. It plans to further consolidate the markets in developed countries, expand trade in emerging markets and formulate innovative models for international market development.
  - (3) **Building an advanced two-way investment hub.** Shenzhen aims to fully implement the administrative system of pre-establishment national treatment and negative lists with respect to foreign investment and ensure the national treatment of foreign-funded enterprises. It aims to encourage foreign investment in key fields of development, such as advanced manufacturing industries and emerging industries and support the establishment of foreign-funded research and development institutions.

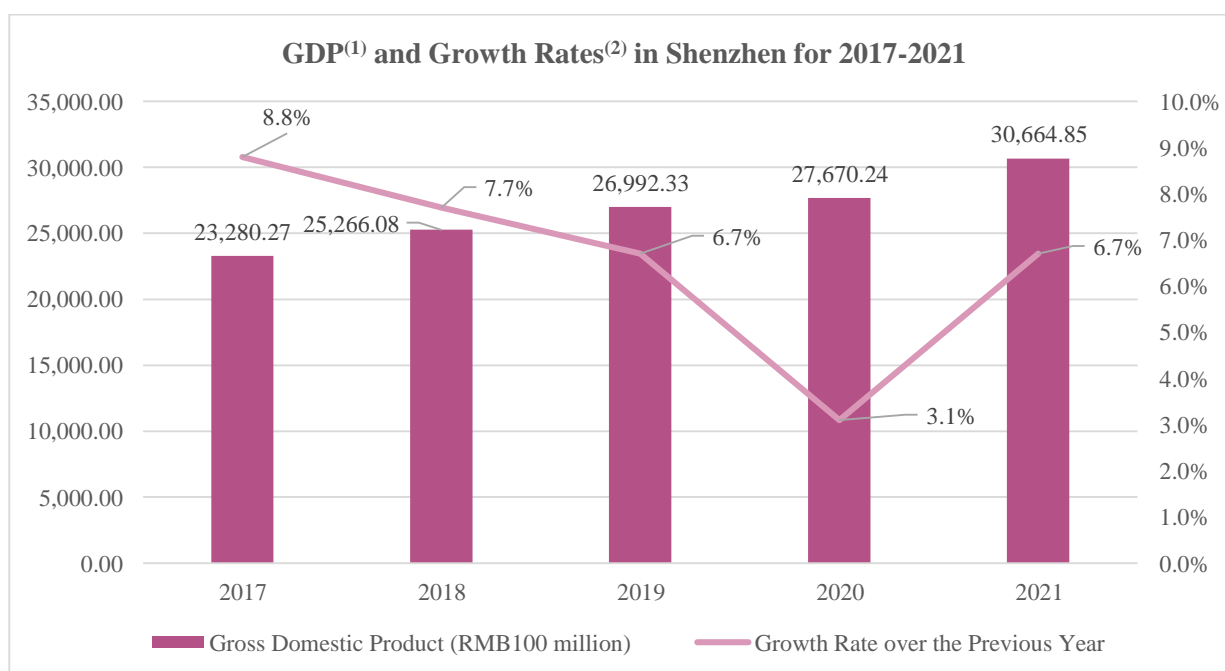


- (4) ***Building a more open pilot free trade zone.*** Shenzhen aims to promote the expansion of Qianhai Shekou Free Trade Zone benchmarked against the internationally advanced economic and trade standards and explore the potential construction of a full-scale free trade zone.
- To proactively participate in the Belt and Road Initiative:
    - (1) ***Deepening international economic, trade and production cooperation.*** Shenzhen aims to promote quality improvement and development of production capacity projects at overseas production parks in countries along the Belt and Road Initiative, encourage the combination of Shenzhen’s advantages in manufacturing with the advantages of Hong Kong, Macao and international economic and trade networks, support the joint building or upgrading of overseas production parks by enterprises, and facilitate the construction of China-Myanmar Economic Corridor, China-Vietnam Economic and Trade Cooperation Zone, amongst others.
    - (2) ***Promoting infrastructure connectivity.*** Shenzhen aims to encourage enterprises to carry out international cooperation in the field of smart cities and participate in the construction of information infrastructure connectivity, so as to promote cooperation under the Digital Silk Road initiative and accelerate the construction and application of spatial information corridors.
    - (3) ***Strengthening cultural exchanges and cooperation.*** Shenzhen plans to actively participate in the multilateral and bilateral mechanisms of the Belt and Road Initiative and to strengthen exchanges in fields such as culture, tourism, education, talents, science and technology and health care.
  - To build an international consumption centre:
    - (1) ***Cultivating and expanding new consumption business models.*** Shenzhen aims to implement plans to expand domestic demand, promote consumption, lower the entry barrier for the service consumption industry and improve the quality of consumption in the fields of culture, tourism, sports, health, education, elderly care and housekeeping.
    - (2) ***Improving the consumption infrastructure.*** Shenzhen plans to promote the construction of business districts, including the Xiangmihu International High-end Consumption District, the Nanshan Houhai Mega Business District and Huaqiangbei Business District, promote the transformation and upgrading of Luohu Dongmen Pedestrian Street with high standards and promote the transformation of offline business entities to become more scenario-based, experience-based, interactive and integrated, thus creating a world-class landmark business district.
    - (3) ***Deeply expanding the domestic consumption market.*** Shenzhen aims to further improve the mechanisms for domestic and foreign trade business qualifications and quality standards, as well as the mechanisms for inspection, quarantine, certification and accreditation. Furthermore, Shenzhen aims to promote the “same product line, same standard and same quality” for both domestically sold and exported goods, encourage communication between export enterprises and domestic trading enterprises and promote domestic sales of goods originally produced for export.
    - (4) ***Improving the mechanism for promoting the consumption system.*** Shenzhen aims to optimise the layout of service outlets for departure tax rebate service and put the “immediate refund upon purchase” mechanism into trial implementation. It plans to explore the possibility of establishing downtown duty-free businesses and international duty-free complex, promote the development of duty-free economy, lead overseas consumption back to the domestic market and attract foreign consumption.

## Main Economic Indicators

According to the results of the consolidated GDP calculation of Guangdong Province, Shenzhen achieved a GDP of RMB3,066.485 billion in 2021, representing an increase of 6.7% over 2020 (based on comparable prices). Among them, the value added of the primary industry was RMB2.659 billion (based on current prices), representing an increase of 5.1% over 2020 (based on comparable prices); the value added of the secondary industry was RMB1,133.859 billion (based on current prices), representing an increase of 4.9% over 2020 (based on comparable prices); and the value added of the tertiary industry was RMB1,929.967 billion (based on current prices), representing an increase of 7.8% over 2020 (based on comparable prices). The value added of the primary industry, secondary industry and tertiary industry accounted for 0.1%, 37.0% and 62.9% of the total GDP of Shenzhen, respectively.

The following table sets forth the GDP and growth rate of Shenzhen for 2017-2021.



### Notes:

- (1) Data in this table are calculated based on current prices. The Industrial Classification of the National Economy (GB/T 4754-2011) was introduced in 2013-2017, and the Industrial Classification of the National Economy (GB/T 4754-2017) was introduced from 2018.
- (2) Growth rates are calculated based on comparable prices.

Source: Shenzhen Statistical Yearbook 2021, Shenzhen Municipal Bureau of Statistics 2021 National Economic and Social Development Statistics Bulletin, Shenzhen Bureau of Statistics

## Innovative Industries

Shenzhen is built for innovation. It witnessed China's first stock issuance and first land auction. Shenzhen has been on the forefront of China's economic reform since the establishment of the special economic zone.

Shenzhen's innovation power continues to grow. Strategic scientific and technological forces in the Greater Bay Area such as the Comprehensive National Science Centre and Pengcheng Laboratory, together with more than 3,100 innovation carriers, have been deployed in Shenzhen. The number of Fortune Global 500 enterprises in Shenzhen has increased from five to ten. The number of national new and high-tech enterprises in Shenzhen has exceeded 21,000 and the number of small and medium-sized scientific and technological enterprises in

Shenzhen has exceeded 20,000. In terms of the number of the international patent applications under Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT), Shenzhen ranked the first among large and medium-sized cities in China for 18 consecutive years. Shenzhen established the first angel investment guidance funds with the scale reaching RMB10 billion in China, created the Talents Day and Entrepreneurs Day, and built the talent park, leading to a new peak for talent gathering trend in Shenzhen. The comprehensive ranking of the Shenzhen New and High-tech Zone ranks the second in China, and its comprehensive quality and efficiency as well as the capability of sustainable innovation all rank the first in China.

In terms of strategic emerging industries, the value added of strategic emerging industries in 2021 amounted to RMB1,214.637 billion, representing an increase of 6.7% year-on-year and accounting for 39.6% of the GDP of Shenzhen. Among them, the value added of the new-generation electronic information industry amounted to RMB564.166 billion, representing an increase of 1.2% year-on-year. The value added of the digital and fashion industry was RMB310.366 billion, representing an increase of 13.0% year-on-year. The value added of the high-end equipment manufacturing industry was RMB50.653 billion, representing an increase of 19.4% year-on-year. The value added of the green and low-carbon industry was RMB138.678 billion, representing an increase of 8.8% year-on-year. The value added of the new material industry was RMB32.434 billion, representing an increase of 10.0% year-on-year. The value added of the biomedicine and health industry was RMB58.960 billion, representing an increase of 7.6% year-on-year. The value added of the marine economy industry was RMB59.380 billion, representing an increase of 14.5% year-on-year.

### **Price Index**

In 2021, Shenzhen's consumer price for the whole year increased by 0.9% over 2020, the industrial producer price increased by 1.9% over 2020, and the industrial purchasing price increased by 3.0% over 2020.

### **Investment in Fixed Assets**

In 2021, Shenzhen's investment in fixed assets for the whole year increased by 3.7% over the previous year.

### **Residents' Income and Consumption**

In 2021, the per capita disposable income of residents of Shenzhen was RMB70,847, representing an increase of 9.2% over the previous year. In 2021, the per capita consumption expenditure of the residents was RMB46,286, representing an increase of 14.1% from the previous year. The Engel's coefficient in 2021 was 29.6%.

### **Foreign Investment**

In 2021, 5,788 contracts for direct foreign investments in Shenzhen were newly signed, representing an increase of 30.5% over the previous year; the amount of direct foreign investments actually utilised was US\$10.965 billion, representing an increase of 26.3% over the previous year.

## FOREIGN TRADE

### Recent Development

In the first half of 2022, Shenzhen's total import and export volume was RMB1,615.26 billion, a year-on-year increase of 1.4%. Total export volume stood at RMB914.25 billion, up by 7.1% over the same period of the previous year, and total import volume reached RMB701.01 billion, down by 5.2% over the same period of the previous year. General trade import and export volume increased by 2.2%, accounting for 51.0% of total import and export volume with an increase of 0.4 percentage points over the same period of 2021.

### Foreign Trade

In 2021, Shenzhen's total import and export volume was RMB3.5 trillion, up by 16.2% over the previous year. The rate of growth was 13.8 percentage points higher than that of 2020. Total export volume reached RMB1.9 trillion, up by 13.5%. Total import volume was RMB1.6 trillion, up by 19.5% over the previous year.

In 2021, Shenzhen's annual import and export volume to the countries and regions under the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership ("RCEP") Agreement, along the Belt and Road Initiative, and in Middle East and Europe reached RMB935.49 billion, RMB775.55 billion and RMB62.27 billion, all reaching new record high.

## FINANCIAL SYSTEM

### Banking Industry

By the end of 2021, the banking industry in Shenzhen had total assets of RMB11.3 trillion, representing an increase of 7.8% year-on-year, ranking third among the large and medium-sized cities in China. By the end of 2021, Shenzhen's balance of deposits denominated in domestic and foreign currencies was RMB11.3 trillion, and the balance of loans denominated in domestic and foreign currencies was RMB7.7 trillion.

### Securities Industry

By the end of 2021, Shenzhen's 22 securities companies had total assets of RMB2.7 trillion, and achieved annual operating income of RMB124.65 billion and net profit of RMB50.49 billion in the aggregate, taking leading positions amongst securities companies in China. There were 31 fund companies in Shenzhen, second only to Shanghai and Beijing in number, with operating income and net profit of RMB44.72 billion and RMB11.64 billion in the aggregate, respectively.

- The stock market surged in price and volume. In 2021, the cumulative stock transaction amount in Shenzhen Stock Exchange was RMB144.0 trillion, representing an increase of 17.2% year-on-year. The transaction in the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect increased steadily, and foreign investors were enthusiastic about increasing their holding of shares in the domestic market. In particular, the annual transaction volume of Shenzhen Northbound Trading was RMB14.9 trillion in 2021, representing a year-on-year increase of 24.0% over 2020; the annual transaction volume of the Hong Kong Southbound Trading was HKD4.8 trillion in 2021, representing a year-on-year increase of 89.8% over 2020.
- The business scale of the assets management industry continued to expand. By the end of 2021, the total assets under management of Shenzhen's securities and futures industry was RMB15.0 trillion (including brokerage assets management, futures assets management, non-public offering business of public funds and assets management business of private equity institutions), which accounted for a quarter of the total assets under management in China. Among them, the assets of public funds were RMB6.7 trillion and the assets of non-public funds in Shenzhen were RMB3.6 trillion. By the end of 2021, there were 4,308 private equity fund managers in Shenzhen with the paid-in scale of RMB2.3 trillion.

### Insurance Industry and Capital Markets

- The insurance business structure was improved, and the social security function had been enhanced continuously. By the end of 2021, Shenzhen had 27 insurance legal entities in total.
- Capital markets developed steadily on multiple levels, and the function of direct financing had been enhanced continuously. By the end of 2021, there were 372 domestically listed companies in Shenzhen, with 39 more compared with that of 2020. The total market value of listed companies amounted to RMB9.2 trillion. In 2021, companies in Shenzhen raised RMB104.75 billion from domestic A shares equity markets in 2021, and RMB36.11 billion was raised through the issuance of H shares in 2021. In 2021, fundraising via the interbank bonds market amounted to RMB446.12 billion, representing a 24.8% year-on-year increase, of which RMB6.45 billion was raised from short-term financing notes and RMB117.92 billion was raised from medium-term notes.

## **PUBLIC FINANCE**

### **General Public Budget**

In 2021, Shenzhen's general public budget revenue was RMB425.77 billion. After having considered various transfer revenue, Shenzhen's total public budget revenue was RMB622.38 billion. In 2021, Shenzhen's general public budget expenditure was RMB457.02 billion. After having considered various transfer expenditure, Shenzhen's total public budget expenditure was RMB612.66 billion. As a result, the balance of Shenzhen's general public budget by the end of 2021 was RMB9.72 billion.

### **Government Funds**

Government funds refer to the funds collected without compensation by the people's governments at all levels and the respective departments thereof from citizens, legal persons and other organisations in accordance with the laws, administrative regulations and documents issued by the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and the State Council for the exclusive use of supporting the construction and development of specific public infrastructure and public service. In 2021, Shenzhen's budget revenue from government funds was RMB137.37 billion. After having considered various transfer revenue such as the revenue from local government special bonds and the budget carried over from 2020, Shenzhen's total revenue from government funds in 2021 was RMB247.46 billion. In 2021, Shenzhen's government funds budget expenditure was RMB108.73 billion. After having considered various transfer expenditure such as the general public budget expenditure and special debt repayment, Shenzhen's total expenditure of government funds in 2021 was RMB155.77 billion. As a result, Shenzhen's balance of budget of government funds by the end of 2021 was RMB91.69 billion.

### **State-owned Capital Operating Budget**

The state-owned capital operating budget is the income and expenditure budget when the state acts as the owner to legally obtain and distribute the gains from the state-owned capital. In 2021, Shenzhen's state-owned capital operating budget revenue was RMB11.09 billion. After having considered various transfer revenue including the budget carried over from 2020, Shenzhen's total revenue from state-owned capital operating budget in 2021 was expected to be RMB11.48 billion. Shenzhen's state-owned capital operating budget expenditure was RMB5.88 billion and RMB5.28 billion was transferred to general public budget. Altogether, the total expenditure was RMB11.16 billion. As a result, the balance of Shenzhen's state-owned capital operating budget by the end of 2021 was RMB0.32 billion.

### **Budget of the Social Insurance Funds**

The budget of the social insurance funds is an annual plan established in accordance with the laws and regulations governing the state social insurance and budget management, reflecting the income and expenditure of the various social insurance funds. The budget of the social insurance funds is prepared according to insurance types, including, amongst others, basic pension insurance fund for enterprise retirees, unemployment insurance fund, basic medical insurance fund for urban employees, work injury insurance fund, and maternity insurance fund. In 2021, Shenzhen's income from the budget of social insurance fund in all categories was RMB85.65 billion, and its social insurance funds budget expenditure was RMB59.29 billion. In 2021, if the enterprise pension insurance fund and the work injury insurance fund subject to overall planning at the provincial level were taken into account, Shenzhen's budget revenue of social insurance funds was RMB270.48 billion, and its social insurance funds budget expenditure was RMB237.93 billion.

## GOVERNMENT DEBT

### Relevant Provisions on Local Government Debt

In accordance with Article 35 of the Budget Law of the PRC, part of the funds for construction investment indispensable to the budgets of provinces, autonomous regions and municipalities directly under the central government that has been approved by the State Council may be raised by incurring indebtedness in the form of issuing local government bonds in accordance with the limits set by the State Council. Such indebtedness incurred shall be included in its local budget adjustment plans and be reported to the standing committee of the local people's congress for approval. Any indebtedness incurred shall have a repayment plan and a stable source of repayment funds, and shall only be used for public welfare capital expenditure but not for recurring expenditure.

Article 3 of the Measures for the Administration of General Debt Budget of Local Governments stipulates that the income, arranged expenditure, principal and interest repayment and issuance expenses of local government general debt shall be included in the general public budget management.

Article 4 of the Measures for the Administration of General Debt Budget of Local Governments stipulates that, with the approval of the provincial government, the municipal government under separate state planning may issue general bonds by itself.

Article 3 of the Measures for the Administration of Specific Debt Budget of Local Governments stipulates that the income, arranged expenditure, principal and interest repayment and issuance expenses of local government specific debt shall be included in the budget management of government funds.

Article 4 of the Measures for the Administration of Specific Debt Budget of Local Governments stipulates that, with the approval of the provincial government, the municipal government under separate state planning may issue special bonds by itself.

Article 4.1 of the Notice of the General Office of the State Council on Issuing the Emergency Response Plan for Local Government Debt Risks stipulates that the local government shall be responsible for repayment of the debt borrowed.

Article 45 of the Regulations for the Implementation of the Budget Law of the PRC stipulates that the fiscal departments of the local governments at all levels are responsible for the unified management of local government debt.

### Debt of Shenzhen Government in 2021

In 2021, Shenzhen issued RMB58.62 billion of government bonds, including RMB6.92 billion of general bonds and RMB51.7 billion of special bonds. The local government debt ratio of Shenzhen in 2021 was estimated to be no more than 20% and its debt risk level was green, which was at the lowest range in China.

**Debt limit.** Each year, the National People's Congress deliberates and approves the national debt limit of local governments, after which the Ministry of Finance issues the debt limit of local governments of all provinces (and autonomous regions, municipalities directly under the central government and cities under separate state planning) with the approval of the State Council. By the end of 2021, the debt limit of Shenzhen local government was RMB162.618 billion, including RMB27.871 billion for general debt and RMB134.747 billion for special debt.

**Debt Balance.** By the end of 2021, the debt balance of Shenzhen local government was RMB141.997 billion, which was within the debt limit, including RMB47.868 billion at the municipal level and RMB94.129 billion at the district level. According to the type of debt, the balance of Shenzhen's government general debt in 2021 was RMB11.588 billion, including RMB7.435 billion at the municipal level and RMB4.153 billion at the district

level; the balance of government specific debt was RMB130.409 billion, including RMB40.433 billion at the municipal level and RMB89.976 billion at the district level.

**Debt Record**

The Shenzhen Municipal People's Government has consistently paid the debt principal, interest and premium in full upon maturity.



## COOPERATION AND EXCHANGE

### **The Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area**

The Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area consists of two Special Administrative Regions, namely Hong Kong and Macao, and Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Zhuhai, Foshan, Huizhou, Dongguan, Zhongshan, Jiangmen and Zhaoqing of the Guangdong Province. With a total area of 56,000 square kilometres and a population of more than 70 million, the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area is one of the most open and economically dynamic regions in China with a strategically important position in the overall development of China.

On 18 February 2019, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and the State Council issued the Outline Development Plan for Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, which mandated that the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area will not only become a vibrant world-class city cluster, an international centre of science and technology innovation, an important support for the “Belt and Road Initiative”, and a model zone of in-depth cooperation between the Mainland, Hong Kong and Macao, but also a quality lifestyle circle that is suitable for living, working and tourism, and a model for high-quality development. The four cities of Hong Kong, Macao, Guangzhou and Shenzhen will be the core drivers of development for the region.

Shenzhen plays a leading role as a special economic zone, a national economic centre and a city of innovation at the national level, and strives to build an innovative and creative city with global influence. As one of the key cities in the development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, Shenzhen aims to promote deeper cooperation and exchanges among Shenzhen, Hong Kong and Macao, strengthen collaboration with Guangzhou and other cities, and actively participate in creating the Science and Technology Innovation Corridor of Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Hong Kong and Macao.

### **Shenzhen-Hong Kong Cooperation**

#### ***Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone***

Located on the east coast of the Pearl River estuary and the west side of the Nantou Peninsula and covering an area of 14.92 square kilometres, the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone (the “**Qianhai Cooperation Zone**”) comprised three areas: Guiwan, Qianwan and Mawan. The development and construction of Qianhai is a major strategic decision made by China at the historical stage of the 30th anniversary of the establishment of the Shenzhen Special Economic Zone. On 26 August 2010, the State Council formally approved the Overall Development Plan of Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone. On 27 April 2015, the Qianhai Shekou Free Trade Zone was officially established and the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Cooperation Zone (i.e., Qianhai Block) and the Shekou Block (i.e., China Merchants Group Shekou Industrial Zone) were assimilated into the Qianhai Shekou Free Trade Zone. Various global high-end development factors were concentrated in the Qianhai Shekou Free Trade Zone, with a focus on the development of finance, modern logistics, information services, technology and professional services, port services, shipping services and other emerging strategic services. There was also a focus on the construction of Qianhai International Financial City, Shenzhen-Hong Kong Innovation City, a modern free trade city and an international hub port.

In September 2021, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and the State Council issued the Plan for Comprehensively Deepening the Reform and Opening Up of the Qianhai Cooperation Zone, which mandated that Qianhai Cooperation Zone will create a test platform for comprehensively deepening the reform and innovation in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area and expanded the total area from 14.92 square kilometres to 120.56 square kilometres.

In 2021, the Qianhai Cooperation Zone (after expansion) achieved a GDP of RMB175.57 billion, representing an increase of 10.5% year-on-year. To promote the free trade in services with Hong Kong and Macao, 16 categories of professionals, such as tax accountants in Hong Kong and Macao, are permitted to practice in the Qianhai Cooperation Zone after registration. In addition, the financial industry had been further opened up in this zone. For example, the Qianhai Cooperation Zone was one of the first places to pilot the business of integrating domestic and foreign currency bank accounts and the first batch of transactions under the Cross-boundary Wealth Management Connect scheme in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area were also executed in the Qianhai Cooperation Zone. By September 2022, the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong International Financial City has signed contracts with 208 financial institutions, among which about 30% are Hong Kong and foreign-invested institutions. Besides, the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong International Legal Services Centre was officially put into operation, introducing 122 judiciary institutions including the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area International Arbitration Centre. Shenzhen Qianhai Cooperation Zone People's Court is authorised with the centralised jurisdiction over commercial cases of first instance in Shenzhen involving elements of Hong Kong, Macao, Taiwan and foreign countries, and it can also apply Hong Kong law in case trials and appointed 32 Hong Kong jurors and 16 mediators from Hong Kong, Macao, Taiwan and foreign countries. Newly appointed arbitrators of the Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration come from 114 countries and regions, including 568 foreign arbitrators. Shenzhen has accelerated its reform and innovation in the scheme of science and technology development and promoted the cooperation in science and technology between Shenzhen and Hong Kong, building an industrial innovation and development highland for science and technology services, digital economy and marine science and technology, and promoting the integrated development of the modern service industry and the advanced manufacturing industry. By September 2022, 1,976 national high-tech enterprises have been settled in the Qianhai Cooperation Zone, including 119 innovation carriers such as engineering centres, engineering laboratories and public service platforms, and 42 national specialised and advanced "little giant" enterprises.

On 2 September 2022, to support the development and connection of Shenzhen and Hong Kong venture capital investments, promote Shenzhen-Hong Kong cooperation on innovation and technology, and leverage finance to foster the development of an international innovation and technology hub in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau of Hong Kong Special Administration Region and the Management Bureau of Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone of Shenzhen Municipality jointly promulgated *18 Measures for Supporting the Development and Connection of Shenzhen and Hong Kong Venture Capital Investments in Qianhai* (the "**Measures**"). According to the Measures, 800,000 square meters of high-quality industrial space inside the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong International Financial City will be provided with comprehensive services such as talent, capital, legal service and business incubation to build Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong International Venture Capital Cluster with convenient flow of cross-boundary innovation capital and outstanding leading power for innovation and technology industry to attract large-scale funds, international asset management institutions, well-known venture capital institutions, and private securities investment institutions.

### ***Hetao Shenzhen-Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Cooperation Zone***

Located in the southern part of Futian District of Shenzhen and bordering Hong Kong, Hetao Shenzhen-Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Cooperation Zone has a total area of about 3.89 square kilometres, of which the Hong Kong park on the south side of Shenzhen River has an area of about 0.87 square kilometres and the Shenzhen park on the north side of Shenzhen River, including Huanggang Port Area and Futian Free Trade Zone, has an area of about 3.02 square kilometres. In January 2017, Shenzhen and Hong Kong signed the *Memorandum of Cooperation between Hong Kong and Shenzhen to Promote the Joint Development of Lok Ma Chau Loop Area* to work together to build a "Hetao Shenzhen-Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Cooperation Zone" with targeted focus and synergy. In 2021, the reconstruction of Huanggang Port in the Shenzhen park of the Hetao Shenzhen-Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Cooperation Zone and the

construction of Shenzhen Branch of the Hong Kong Science Park had been accelerated, and more than 140 high-end scientific research projects had been launched.

The Hetao Shenzhen-Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Cooperation Zone has the unique advantages of “cross-border, cross-system and cross-tariff area”. The *Outline Development Plan of Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area and the Opinions of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and State Council on Supporting Shenzhen in Building a Pilot Demonstration Area of Socialism with Chinese Characteristics* position the Hetao Shenzhen-Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Cooperation Zone as a major national-level innovation and technology cooperation platform for exploring the Shenzhen-Hong Kong collaborative development model. The Hetao Shenzhen-Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Cooperation Zone aims to bring about innovation in the management mechanism of science and technology, and to promote the efficient and convenient exchanges of personnel, capital, technology, information and other factors. Shenzhen and Hong Kong will capitalise on their complementary advantages and collaborate to develop the Hetao Shenzhen-Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Cooperation Zone, cooperate in the development of one zone and two parks, in an effort to turn the Hetao Shenzhen-Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Cooperation Zone into a model platform for cooperation between Shenzhen and Hong Kong in science and technology innovation.

### ***Shenzhen-Hong Kong Youth Exchange and Cooperation***

Fully leveraging the advantages of science and technology innovation and the geographical location and focused on the development needs of Shenzhen and Hong Kong youths, Shenzhen has made great efforts to provide them with opportunities in internship, entrepreneurship, employment and life. By the end of June 2022, Shenzhen established 16 Shenzhen and Hong Kong Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship Bases with the high quality, incubating a total of 1,351 projects of Hong Kong and Macao and successfully offering job opportunities for 1,817 Hong Kong and Macao residents. Shenzhen built innovation and entrepreneurship platforms such as Shenzhen and Hong Kong Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship Base and Qianhai Shenzhen and Hong Kong Youth Dream Workshop, actively cooperated with the Hong Kong government in implementing the “Greater Bay Area Youth Employment Plan”, carried out the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area Youth Internship Programme, and improved the exchange and internship base for Hong Kong youths. In addition, Shenzhen has held the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship Competition, Shenzhen-Hong Kong Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship Exchange Day, the Shenzhen-Hong Kong-Macao Youth Cultural Exchange and Art Season and other activities for years.

### ***Other Cooperation Between Hong Kong and Shenzhen***

As a pilot city in serving the long-term prosperity and stability of Hong Kong and Macao, Shenzhen has always attached great importance to and actively promoted pragmatic cooperation between Shenzhen and Hong Kong in the fields such as innovation and technology, finance, education and healthcare, in an effort to enhance the well-being of the people of both places. In terms of innovation and technology, Shenzhen implemented the *Measures of Shenzhen Municipality for the Administration of Science and Technology Projects in Shenzhen, Hong Kong and Macao* to promote the cross-border use of research and development funds. Shenzhen Large Scientific Instrument Sharing Platform has been established and put into operation with a total of about 11,000 instruments (sets), among which about 7,500 instruments (sets) are open to sharing with Hong Kong and Macao. In terms of finance, the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited Qianhai Joint Exchange Centre was established and the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Fund Town has commenced operations. In terms of education, Shenzhen is the first Chinese mainland city to introduce a policy allowing Hong Kong and Macao children of school age to attend public schools in Shenzhen. In terms of healthcare, the first public hospital in Chinese mainland to adopt the “Hong Kong model” of operation - the University of Hong Kong Shenzhen Hospital commenced operation in 2012, which is a significant milestone in the cooperation between Shenzhen and Hong Kong in medical field. “Hong Kong Elderly Healthcare Voucher” program has been piloted at the University of

Hong Kong Shenzhen Hospital for the convenience of the elderly Hong Kong residents living in Shenzhen, Pearl River Delta and Hong Kong, under which more than 45,000 people have received medical services with the vouchers as at 31 March 2022. Furthermore, the first Hong Kong-owned specialist hospital in Chinese mainland, C-MER (Shenzhen) Dennis Lam Eye Hospital, commenced operation, which brought to Chinese mainland advanced international medical treatment and well-developed Hong Kong-style services. Moreover, Shenzhen proactively aligned with the Northern Metropolis Development Strategy in Hong Kong, strengthening the joint development of Hong Kong and Shenzhen in respect of cross-border infrastructure, spatial planning and industrial arrangement and facilitating Hong Kong's integration into the overall development of China.

## ECOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENT GOVERNANCE

Shenzhen has taken the lead in exploring climate change legislation in local laws and regulations, and incorporated it into the Shenzhen Special Economic Zone Ecological Environmental Protection Regulations to further clarify the main responsible parties and division of work and build a new system of climate governance. Shenzhen has taken the lead in promulgating the Shenzhen Special Economic Zone Green Finance Regulations, the first green finance regulation in China, which makes “confronting climate change” the priority of concern, helping Shenzhen to achieve its peak carbon emissions and carbon neutral goals.

In terms of strategic planning, Shenzhen has incorporated addressing climate change as an important part of its overall coordination of ecological environmental protection. The *Outline of Shenzhen Taking the Lead in Building a Beautiful China (2020-2035)* incorporates climate change related indicators into the indicator system and focuses on the deployment of main tasks related to climate change.

During the “13th Five-Year Plan” period (2016-2020), Shenzhen established the concept of green development, and the level of green development continued to improve. Shenzhen was named in the first list of national sustainable development agenda innovation demonstration areas, having formed a modern industrial system with low consumption and low emissions. The ecological environment quality of Shenzhen had been improved over this period. The average annual concentration of PM2.5 has dropped to 19 micrograms/cubic meter. The proportion of days with good air quality has reached 97%, which was a leading level among domestic mega cities in China. In addition, Shenzhen had accelerated the construction of environmental infrastructure, further enhanced its environmental governance capacity, constructed seven new water purification plants, and upgraded 30 water purification plants. As a result, the sewage treatment capacity reached 7.6 million cubic metres per day. Shenzhen had also constructed sewage pipe network with an additional length of 6,460 kilometres, realising an improvement of not only sewage collection and treatment capacity but also effluent quality. At the same time, Shenzhen steadily carried out ecosystem protection and made breakthroughs in the establishment of demonstration zones of ecological civilisation. In particular, Shenzhen had set red lines for ecological protection, tightened the supervision within the “basic ecological control line”, and vigorously promoted the establishment of demonstration zones of ecological civilisation. Ten districts in Shenzhen were successively awarded the “National Demonstration Zone of Ecological Civilisation Construction”, and Nanshan District successfully established the practice and innovation base of “Green Water and Green Mountains are Golden and Silver Mountains”. Shenzhen had become the only sub-provincial city in China that has been awarded the “National Demonstration City for Ecological Civilisation Construction”. In addition, Shenzhen promoted the reform of the ecological civilisation system, continued to optimise the environmental governance system, took the lead in establishing an accounting system for the gross ecosystem product (“GEP”), and formulated the “three lines and one point” ecological environment zoning management and control plan. Shenzhen had also deepened the publicity and education of ecological environmental protection, promoted joint construction, governance and sharing in many ways, extensively implemented the mandatory classification of domestic waste, and raised the recycling rate of domestic waste to 41%. In addition, Shenzhen had established the “One Belt and One Road” Environmental Technology Exchange and Transfer Centre (Shenzhen) to promote international exchanges and cooperation with the regions along the “One Belt and One Road” in ecological environmental protection.

## **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The net proceeds from the offering of the 2024 Bonds will be used by the Issuer for governmental purposes.

The net proceeds from the offering of the 2025 Bonds will be used to finance Eligible Green Projects in accordance with the Green and Blue Finance Framework.

The net proceeds from the offering of the 2027 Bonds will be used to finance Eligible Blue Projects in accordance with the Green and Blue Finance Framework.

The source of repayment for the principal and interest of the 2024 Bonds, 2025 Bonds and the 2027 Bonds will be the funds from the government and proceeds from the projects.

## GREEN AND BLUE FINANCE FRAMEWORK

### People's Government of Shenzhen Municipality of Guangdong Province of the People's Republic of China's Green and Blue Strategy

By 2025, Shenzhen's ecological environment quality will be internationally advanced, building a low-consumption, low-emission, energy-recycling, sustainable green and low-carbon development pattern and making substantial progress in carbon peak with high standards. The quality of the air, water, and coastal area continues to improve; urban ecosystem services will be enhanced; a comprehensive modern environmental governance system will be essentially established to create a more beautiful city with bluer sky, greener land, and clearer water.

By 2035, Shenzhen will become a pioneer of sustainable development, creating a model of harmonious coexistence between human and nature for beautiful China, building world-class ecological environment. A “green, prosperous, splendid and harmonious city” will be fully realized. Green production and lifestyles will be further promoted, green and low-carbon recycling will be significantly elevated, and carbon emission will be steadily reduced after peaking. Annual average PM2.5 concentration will fall below 15 micrograms/cubic metre; ecologically gorgeous rivers and lakes can be seen everywhere; urban ecosystem services will be fully elevated; the environmental governance capacity will be modernized.

Building a “global marine centre” is a major strategic mission entrusted by the state to Shenzhen. Shenzhen's responsibility for marine development continues to increase, and Shenzhen embeds the Sustainable Ocean Principles in the development strategy. The *Outline Development Plan for the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area* clearly supports Shenzhen to become a global marine centre; and the *Opinions of the CPC Central Committee and State Council on Supporting Shenzhen in Building A Pilot Demonstration Area for Socialism with Chinese Characteristics* clearly supports Shenzhen to accelerate the construction of a global marine centre.

### Green and Blue Finance Framework

This Green and Blue Finance Framework (the “**Framework**”) sets out how Shenzhen Municipal People's Government intends to enter into Green and Blue Financing Transactions (“**GFT**”) to finance or refinance projects that are consistent with its vision to improve the environment and combat climate change. GFTs may include bonds, loans and other financing products where proceeds are applied to eligible green and blue projects (“**Eligible Projects**”) as defined in this Framework.





Shenzhen Municipal People's Government has prepared this Framework in accordance with the International Capital Market Association (“**ICMA**”) Green Bond Principles 2021, Sustainable Ocean Principles and China Green Bond Endorsed Projects Catalogue 2021 Edition, or as it may be subsequently amended. Other forms of financing may conform to other well-established green finance and blue finance principles as may have been established at the time.

The Framework is presented through the following four pillars: (1) use of proceeds; (2) project evaluation and selection; (3) management of proceeds and (4) reporting.

#### 1. Use of Proceeds




The proceeds of each GFT will be used exclusively for the financing or the refinancing of Eligible Projects, including without limitation, the refinancing of existing debt in relation to such projects. Refinancing of Eligible Projects will have a look-back period of no longer than 36 months from the time of issuance. Eligibility criteria are outlined in the table below:

##### 1.1 Eligible Projects for Green Financing

Eligible categories	Alignment with ICMA Green Bond Principles 2021	Eligible criteria & Description	Environmental benefits	Main contribution to United Nations Sustainable Development Goals
Water treatment projects	Sustainable water and wastewater management	<p>Wastewater treatment and sustainable urban drainage systems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Comprehensive treatment of urban water environment and water ecological restoration</li> <li>Inspection, repairment and enhancement on rain and sewage drainage systems</li> <li>Ensuring the separation of rain water and waste water, avoiding the direct discharge of sewage into river</li> <li>Remediation at source of pollution</li> <li>Construction of a coordinated treatment station for sludge and river bottom sludge</li> <li>Construction of rainwater storage tanks</li> </ul> <p>Sustainable infrastructure for clean water and/or water resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physically isolate the contaminated water through engineering measures and drain unpolluted clean rainwater from nearby mountains to the reservoir</li> <li>Expand river channels, build sewage pipes along the river and relocate pipelines</li> </ul> <p>Flood mitigation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Build new flood spillways with the capability to discharge once-in-50-year floods into reservoirs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Comprehensive elimination of black and odorous water</li> <li>Improve the water quality of certain urban areas</li> <li>Treatment and utilization of sewage sludge</li> <li>Ensure the quality and safety of the water supplied to the reservoir</li> <li>Improve flood control and drainage capacity of riverways</li> </ul>	 
Sponge city related projects	Climate change adaptation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Investments to develop “sponge city” projects that aim to reduce flood risk and replenish groundwater</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase water catchment</li> <li>Reduce or avoid water loss</li> </ul>	
Clean transportation	Clean transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Construction of core sustainable transportation infrastructure such as underground lines</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduction of greenhouse gases emissions through the deployment of low-carbon public transportation</li> </ul>	

## 1.2 Eligible Projects for Blue Financing



Eligible categories	Alignment with ICMA Green Bond Principles 2021	Eligible criteria & Description	Benefits to ocean ecosystems and water resources	Main contribution to United Nations Sustainable Development Goals
Water supply projects	<b>Sustainable water and wastewater management</b>	<p>Construction, operation and upgrading of urban public water supply facilities, and the construction and renovation of the water pipe network leakage monitoring system facilities (e.g. water supply network flow measurement, water quality monitoring, pressure control, data collection and remote transmission) such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research, design, development, and implementation of efficient and clean water supply infrastructure and facilities</li> <li>• Rehabilitation or upgrading of existing drinking water and water supply infrastructure and facilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved water supply infrastructure and facilities</li> <li>• Improved quality of the supplied drinking water</li> <li>• Enhance water security in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area</li> <li>• Improve the overall water basin environment and offshore environment by controlling pollutants in water sources</li> </ul>	<p><b>6</b> CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION</p> 
Water sanitation projects	Pollution Prevention and Control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New or expansion of water treatment infrastructure, including improvement of the pipeline system, construction of rainwater storage tanks, separation of rain water and waste water, and monitoring of water quality, etc.</li> <li>• Comprehensive treatment and remediation of urban black and malodorous water</li> <li>• Construction, operation and upgrading of urban and rural sewage treatment and recycling facilities.</li> <li>• Construction, operation, and upgrading of sludge disposal facilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comprehensive elimination of black and odorous water</li> <li>• Improve the water quality of certain urban areas</li> <li>• Restore and promote watershed biodiversity and sustainable ecosystem development</li> <li>• Improve the coastal area environment and marine ecosystem by reducing wastewater volume and pollutants in rivers entering the sea</li> <li>• Preserve the groundwater environment by reducing leakage within the pipeline system</li> </ul>	<p><b>6</b> CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION</p>  <p><b>14</b> LIFE BELOW WATER</p> 

- The net proceeds from green bonds will be allocated to Eligible Projects for Green Financing as defined in 1.1
- The net proceeds from blue bonds will be allocated to Eligible Projects for Blue Financing as defined in 1.2

### 1.3 Exclusion criteria

Eligible Projects exclude the following categories:

- Fossil fuel-related assets and power generation
- Nuclear fuels and power generation
- Other activities listed in the latest International Finance Corporation Exclusion List (2007)

## 2. Project Evaluation and Selection

Finance Bureau of Shenzhen Municipality of Guangdong Province of the People's Republic of China ("**Shenzhen Finance Bureau**") Offshore Bonds Working Group (the "**Offshore Bonds Working Group**") have been set up, with the director-general of Shenzhen Finance Bureau acting as group leader, the deputy director-general of Shenzhen Finance Bureau acting as deputy group leader, the relevant departments of Shenzhen Finance Bureau acting as group members to approve (a) each GFT under the Framework, (b) the allocation of proceeds of each GFT issued to Eligible Projects, (c) Eligible Projects' continual fulfilment of the eligibility criteria during the life of the bonds, and (d) reports prepared, in each case in accordance with the terms of the Framework. The Offshore Bonds Working Group will review the potential Eligible Projects against the eligibility criteria outlined in the Use of Proceeds section, based on the following:

- Description of the project and the technical/scientific approach setting out the environmental benefits to be obtained
- Preliminary, provisional or final certificates received in respect of compliance with relevant standards
- Where applicable, Offshore Bonds Working Group will initiate, and the relevant departments will be responsible for, the review of energy, water, waste management review data, against relevant standards or benchmarks

If such project is approved as an Eligible Project by the Offshore Bonds Working Group in accordance with this Framework, it may be earmarked for the use of proceeds under this Framework. The Offshore Bonds Working Group will maintain notes and records of all approved Eligible Projects and the allocation of proceeds of any GFT.

Shenzhen Finance Bureau may commission a qualified third party to investigate and report on the eligibility, or otherwise, of projects as Eligible Projects under this Framework. Feasibility reports may also be prepared before the commencement of Eligible Projects which identify the potential negative environmental and/or social impacts and mitigating measures.

## 3. Management of Proceeds

Shenzhen Finance Bureau has established an effective mechanism to manage the proceeds, ensuring that the proceeds from GFT will be used to fund Eligible Projects. Pending full allocation, unallocated proceeds will be:

- (a) held in treasury as cash according to fiscal fund management policies; and
- (b) allocate to Eligible Projects as soon as possible to enhance efficiency of the proceeds usage.

Shenzhen Finance Bureau will maintain an investment register for GFTs. For each GFT issued, the investment register will contain the following information:

- (a) Details of each GFT, including issuance (borrowing) date, maturity date, amount, interest rate, etc.
- (b) Eligible Project lists, including:
- Project description (including the location of projects, project category, etc.)
  - The name of the entity implementing the project
  - Investment amount and date
  - Project progress
  - Estimated environmental benefits
  - Confirmation that the project meets the eligible criteria under this Framework
  - Other necessary information related to green and blue financing transactions

The register will also record the balance of unallocated proceeds which will be held by Shenzhen Municipal People’s Government in accordance with its financial and liquidity management policies.

Shenzhen Finance Bureau commits not to invest any unallocated proceeds to projects in the Exclusion criteria set in the “Use of Proceeds”.

#### 4. Reporting

Shenzhen Municipal People’s Government will prepare an allocation report (“**Allocation Report**”) at least annually until the net proceeds are almost completely allocated and will prepare an impact report (“**Impact Report**”) at least once during the lifetime of the Bonds after full allocation.

- (a) Allocation Report should contain the following information:
- Amount of proceeds allocated to the various Eligible Project categories
  - Description of major Eligible Projects
  - Aggregate amount of proceeds of GFT allocated that has been earmarked to Eligible Projects
  - The balance of unallocated proceeds yet to be earmarked
  - Percentages of refinancing and financing of Eligible Projects
- (b) Impact Report should contain but not limited to the following information:

Eligible project categories	Impact indicators
Green Financing	
Water treatment projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The amount of sewage water (m<sup>3</sup>) treated, reused, or avoided</li> <li>• The amount of sludge that has been treated and disposed of (e.g. dewatering, sanitation, composting, digestion without biogas extraction)</li> <li>• Annual reduction in the volume of pollutants entering the reservoir</li> <li>• Annual volume of rainwater (m<sup>3</sup>) treated or reused</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of people and/or enterprises (e.g. companies or farms) benefitting from measures to mitigate the consequences of floods</li> <li>• Number of people with access to clean drinking water (or annual volume of clean drinking water in m<sup>3</sup>/a supplied for human consumption) through infrastructure supporting sustainable and efficient water use</li> </ul>
Sponge city related projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Volume of increased water catchment in m<sup>3</sup> per year</li> <li>• Volume of reduced or avoided water loss in m<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>
Clean Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passenger-kilometres (i.e. the transport of one passenger over one kilometre) and/or passengers</li> <li>• Annual greenhouse gases emissions reduced/avoided in tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent p.a.</li> </ul>
<b>Blue Financing</b>	
Water supply projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of people with access to clean drinking water through the infrastructure newly built or upgraded that supports sustainable and efficient water use (where average consumption per person is consistent with internationally recognised standards for sustainable water use)</li> <li>• Annual volume of clean drinking water in m<sup>3</sup>/a supplied for human consumption through the infrastructure newly built or upgraded that supports sustainable and efficient water use (where average consumption per person is consistent with internationally recognised standards for sustainable water use)</li> </ul>
Water sanitation projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The amount of water (m<sup>3</sup>) treated, reused, or avoided</li> <li>• The amount of sludge that has been treated and disposed of (e.g. dewatering, sanitation, composting, digestion without biogas extraction)</li> <li>• Annual reduction in the volume of pollutants entering the reservoir</li> <li>• Maintenance/safeguarding/increase of natural landscape area in km<sup>2</sup> / % for increase</li> </ul>

Allocation Report and Impact Report will be published via the official website of Shenzhen Finance Bureau.

### **External Review**

The Issuer will engage external reviewer(s) to confirm the alignment of the debt instruments and the Framework with the relevant ICMA principles and guideline.

## **TAXATION**

*The following summary of certain taxation provisions under the PRC and Hong Kong laws is based on current law and practice. It does not purport to be comprehensive and does not constitute legal or tax advice. Prospective investors should consult their own tax advisers regarding the tax consequences of an investment in the securities.*

Interest on the Bonds is not subject to individual or enterprise income tax or stamp duty in the PRC nor to profits tax or stamp duty in Hong Kong.

## SUBSCRIPTION AND SALE

The Issuer and the Joint Lead Managers have entered into a subscription agreement dated on or about 31 October 2022 (the “**Subscription Agreement**”), pursuant to which the Issuer has agreed to sell to the Joint Lead Managers, and the Joint Lead Managers have agreed to subscribe and pay for or procure subscribers to subscribe and pay for the 2024 Bonds at their issue price of 100% of their principal amount, the 2025 Bonds at their issue price of 100% of their principal amount and the 2027 Bonds at their issue price of 100% of their principal amount.

The Issuer is entitled to be released and discharged from its obligations under the Subscription Agreement prior to the closing of the issue of the Bonds.

### 2024 Bonds

<b>Joint Lead Managers</b>	<b>Principal Amount (RMB)</b>
Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited .....	96,000,000
China International Capital Corporation Hong Kong Securities Limited .....	96,000,000
The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited.....	96,000,000
CLSA Limited .....	96,000,000
Bank of Communications Co., Ltd. Hong Kong Branch .....	96,000,000
Agricultural Bank of China Limited Hong Kong Branch .....	96,000,000
Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (Asia) Limited .....	96,000,000
Industrial Bank Co., Ltd. Hong Kong Branch.....	96,000,000
China CITIC Bank International Limited .....	96,000,000
China Construction Bank (Asia) Corporation Limited .....	96,000,000
J.P. Morgan Securities (Asia Pacific) Limited.....	96,000,000
CMB Wing Lung Bank Limited.....	96,000,000
Guotai Junan Securities (Hong Kong) Limited .....	96,000,000
Mizuho Securities Asia Limited.....	96,000,000
Standard Chartered Bank (Hong Kong) Limited .....	96,000,000
Shenwan Hongyuan Securities (H.K.) Limited.....	96,000,000
Huatai Financial Holdings (Hong Kong) Limited.....	96,000,000
China Minsheng Banking Corp., Ltd., Hong Kong Branch .....	96,000,000
Guosen Securities (HK) Capital Company Limited.....	96,000,000
Citigroup Global Markets Limited.....	96,000,000
China Everbright Bank Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Branch .....	96,000,000
CTBC Bank Co., Ltd. ....	96,000,000
Haitong International Securities Company Limited.....	96,000,000
China PA Securities (Hong Kong) Company Limited.....	96,000,000
Shanghai Pudong Development Bank Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Branch.....	96,000,000

<b>Joint Lead Managers</b>	<b>Principal Amount (RMB)</b>
Total .....	<b>2,400,000,000</b>

## 2025 Bonds

<b>Joint Lead Managers</b>	<b>Principal Amount (RMB)</b>
Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited .....	60,000,000
China International Capital Corporation Hong Kong Securities Limited .....	60,000,000
The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited.....	60,000,000
CLSA Limited .....	60,000,000
Bank of Communications Co., Ltd. Hong Kong Branch .....	60,000,000
Agricultural Bank of China Limited Hong Kong Branch .....	60,000,000
Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (Asia) Limited .....	60,000,000
Industrial Bank Co., Ltd. Hong Kong Branch.....	60,000,000
China CITIC Bank International Limited .....	60,000,000
China Construction Bank (Asia) Corporation Limited .....	60,000,000
J.P. Morgan Securities (Asia Pacific) Limited.....	60,000,000
CMB Wing Lung Bank Limited.....	60,000,000
Guotai Junan Securities (Hong Kong) Limited .....	60,000,000
Mizuho Securities Asia Limited.....	60,000,000
Standard Chartered Bank (Hong Kong) Limited .....	60,000,000
Shenwan Hongyuan Securities (H.K.) Limited.....	60,000,000
Huatai Financial Holdings (Hong Kong) Limited.....	60,000,000
China Minsheng Banking Corp., Ltd., Hong Kong Branch .....	60,000,000
Guosen Securities (HK) Capital Company Limited.....	60,000,000
Citigroup Global Markets Limited.....	60,000,000
China Everbright Bank Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Branch .....	60,000,000
CTBC Bank Co., Ltd. ....	60,000,000
Haitong International Securities Company Limited.....	60,000,000
China PA Securities (Hong Kong) Company Limited.....	60,000,000
Shanghai Pudong Development Bank Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Branch.....	60,000,000
Total .....	<b>1,500,000,000</b>

## 2027 Bonds

	<b>Principal Amount (RMB)</b>
<b>Joint Lead Managers</b>	
Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited .....	44,000,000
China International Capital Corporation Hong Kong Securities Limited .....	44,000,000
The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited.....	44,000,000
CLSA Limited .....	44,000,000
Bank of Communications Co., Ltd. Hong Kong Branch .....	44,000,000
Agricultural Bank of China Limited Hong Kong Branch .....	44,000,000
Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (Asia) Limited .....	44,000,000
Industrial Bank Co., Ltd. Hong Kong Branch.....	44,000,000
China CITIC Bank International Limited .....	44,000,000
China Construction Bank (Asia) Corporation Limited .....	44,000,000
J.P. Morgan Securities (Asia Pacific) Limited.....	44,000,000
CMB Wing Lung Bank Limited.....	44,000,000
Guotai Junan Securities (Hong Kong) Limited .....	44,000,000
Mizuho Securities Asia Limited.....	44,000,000
Standard Chartered Bank (Hong Kong) Limited .....	44,000,000
Shenwan Hongyuan Securities (H.K.) Limited.....	44,000,000
Huatai Financial Holdings (Hong Kong) Limited.....	44,000,000
China Minsheng Banking Corp., Ltd., Hong Kong Branch .....	44,000,000
Guosen Securities (HK) Capital Company Limited.....	44,000,000
Citigroup Global Markets Limited.....	44,000,000
China Everbright Bank Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Branch .....	44,000,000
CTBC Bank Co., Ltd. ....	44,000,000
Haitong International Securities Company Limited.....	44,000,000
China PA Securities (Hong Kong) Company Limited.....	44,000,000
Shanghai Pudong Development Bank Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Branch.....	44,000,000
Total .....	<b>1,100,000,000</b>

### **Important Notice to CMIs (including private banks)**

This notice to CMIs (including private banks) is a summary of certain obligations the Code imposes on CMIs, which require the attention and cooperation of other CMIs (including private banks). Certain CMIs may also be acting as OCs for this offering and are subject to additional requirements under the Code.

Prospective investors who are the directors, employees or major shareholders of the Issuer, a CMI or its group companies would be considered under the Code as having an Association with the Issuer, the CMI or the relevant group company. CMIs should specifically disclose whether their investor clients have any Association



when submitting orders for the Bonds. In addition, private banks should take all reasonable steps to identify whether their investor clients may have any Associations with the Issuer or any CMI (including its group companies) and inform the Joint Lead Managers accordingly.

CMIs are informed that the marketing and investor targeting strategy for this offering includes institutional investors, sovereign wealth funds, pension funds, hedge funds, family offices and high net worth individuals, in each case, subject to the selling restrictions and any MiFID II product governance language set out elsewhere in this Offering Circular.

CMIs should ensure that orders placed are bona fide, are not inflated and do not constitute duplicated orders (i.e. two or more corresponding or identical orders placed via two or more CMIs). CMIs should enquire with their investor clients regarding any orders which appear unusual or irregular. CMIs should disclose the identities of all investors when submitting orders for the Bonds (except for omnibus orders where underlying investor information should be provided to the OCs when submitting orders). Failure to provide underlying investor information for omnibus orders, where required to do so, may result in that order being rejected. CMIs should not place “X-orders” into the order book.

CMIs should segregate and clearly identify their own proprietary orders (and those of their group companies, including private banks as the case may be) in the order book and book messages.

CMIs (including private banks) should not offer any rebates to prospective investors or pass on any rebates provided by the Issuer. In addition, CMIs (including private banks) should not enter into arrangements which may result in prospective investors paying different prices for the Bonds.

The Code requires that a CMI disclose complete and accurate information in a timely manner on the status of the order book and other relevant information it receives to targeted investors for them to make an informed decision. In order to do this, those Joint Lead Managers in control of the order book should consider disclosing order book updates to all CMIs.

When placing an order for the Bonds, private banks should disclose, at the same time, if such order is placed other than on a “principal” basis (whereby it is deploying its own balance sheet for onward selling to investors). Private banks who do not provide such disclosure are hereby deemed to be placing their order on such a “principal” basis. Otherwise, such order may be considered to be an omnibus order pursuant to the Code. Private banks should be aware that placing an order on a “principal” basis may require an affiliated Joint Lead Managers (if any) to categorise it as a proprietary order and apply the “proprietary orders” requirements of the Code to such order.

In relation to omnibus orders, when submitting such orders, CMIs (including private banks) are requested to provide the following underlying investor information, preferably in Excel Workbook format, in respect of each order constituting the relevant omnibus order (failure to provide such information may result in that order being rejected). To the extent information being disclosed by CMIs and investors is personal and/or confidential in nature, CMIs (including private banks) agree and warrant: (A) to take appropriate steps to safeguard the transmission of such information to the OCs; (B) that they have obtained the necessary consents from the underlying investors to disclose such information to the OCs. By submitting an order and providing such information to the OCs, each CMI (including private banks) further warrants that they and the underlying investors have understood and consented to the collection, disclosure, use and transfer of such information by the OCs and/or any other third parties as may be required by the Code, including to the Issuer, relevant regulators and/or any other third parties as may be required by the Code, for the purpose of complying with the Code, during the bookbuilding process for this offering. CMIs that receive such underlying investor information are reminded that such information should be used only for submitting orders in this offering. The Joint Lead Managers may be asked to demonstrate compliance with their obligations under the Code, and may request other CMIs (including private banks) to provide evidence showing compliance with the obligations above (in

particular, that the necessary consents have been obtained). In such event, other CMI's (including private banks) are required to provide the relevant Joint Lead Manager with such evidence within the timeline requested.

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Offering:	RMB denominated bonds issued by People's Government of Shenzhen Municipality of Guangdong Province of the People's Republic of China
Date:	
Name of CMI submitting order:	
Name of prospective investor:	
Type of unique identification of prospective investor:	<p><i>For <b>individual investor clients</b>, indicate one of the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) <i>HKID card; or</i></li> <li>(ii) <i>national identification document; or</i></li> <li>(iii) <i>passport.</i></li> </ul> <p><i>For <b>corporate investor clients</b>, indicate one of the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) <i>legal entity identifier (LEI) registration; or</i></li> <li>(ii) <i>company incorporation identifier; or</i></li> <li>(iii) <i>business registration identifier; or</i></li> <li>(iv) <i>other equivalent identity document identifier.</i></li> </ul>

Unique identification number of prospective investor:	<i>Indicate the unique identification number which corresponds with the above “type” of unique identification</i>
Order size (and any price limits):	
Other information:  - Associations  - Proprietary Orders  - Duplicated Orders (i.e. two or more corresponding or identical orders placed via two or more CMIs)	<i>Identify any “Associations” (as used in the Code) and, if any Associations identified, provide sufficient information to enable the OCs to assess whether such order may negatively impact the price discovery process.</i>  <i>Identify if this order is a “Proprietary Order” (as used in the Code) and, if so, provide sufficient information to enable the OCs to assess whether such order may negatively impact the price discovery process.</i>  <i>If the prospective investor has placed an/any order(s) via other CMIs in this offering, identify if this order is (i) a separate/unique order or (ii) a duplicated order.</i>
Contact Information of CMI submitting the order:	<i>Provide 24-hour contact details (telephone and email) of relevant individual(s) who may be contacted in relation to this order.</i>

### **United States**

The Bonds have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act. Subject to certain exceptions, the Bonds may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States. Each Joint Lead Manager has agreed that it will not offer, sell or deliver any Bonds within the United States.

The Bonds are being offered and sold outside of the United States in reliance on Regulation S.

In addition, until 40 days after the commencement of the offering of the Bonds, an offer or sale of the Bonds within the United States by any dealer (whether or not participating in the offering) may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

### **United Kingdom**

Each Joint Lead Manager has represented and agreed that (a) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the “FSMA”)) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of the Bonds in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuer; and (b) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Bonds in, from or otherwise involving the U.K.

## **Hong Kong**

Each Joint Lead Manager has represented and agreed that it has not issued or had in its possession for the purposes of issue, and will not issue or have in its possession for the purposes of issue, whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere, any advertisement, invitation or document relating to the Bonds, which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public of Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the securities laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to Bonds which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong or only to “professional investors” as defined in the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571) of Hong Kong (the “SFO”) and any rules made under the SFO.

## **Chinese Mainland**

The Bonds are not intended to be offered directly or indirectly within the Chinese mainland. This Offering Circular does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to purchase any Bonds in the Chinese mainland.

Each Joint Lead Manager has represented, warranted and agreed that the Bonds not being offered or sold and may not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, in the Chinese mainland, except where permitted by applicable law of the Chinese mainland.

## **Taiwan Region**

Each Joint Lead Manager has represented and agreed that as the Bonds have not been and will not be registered or filed with, or approved by, the Financial Supervisory Commission of Taiwan Region and/or other regulatory authority or agency of Taiwan Region pursuant to relevant securities laws and regulations of Taiwan Region, it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell the Bonds within Taiwan Region through a public offering or in circumstances which constitute an offer within the meaning of the Securities and Exchange Act of Taiwan Region that requires a registration, filing or approval of the Financial Supervisory Commission of Taiwan Region and/or other regulatory authority or agency of Taiwan Region. No person or entity in Taiwan Region has been authorised to offer or sell the Bonds in Taiwan Region.

## **Macao**

This is an offering targeted at institutional investors. Each Joint Lead Manager has represented and agreed that the Bonds may not be promoted, distributed, sold or delivered in Macao, or any document relating to the Bonds be distributed or circulated in Macao, except under the terms of and in compliance with the Macao Financial System Act approved by the Decree Law no. 32/93/M (“FSA”) and Guidelines under Circular no. 033/B/2010-DSB/AMCM, Circular no. 009/B/2019-DSB/AMCM and Circular 008/B/2021-DSB/AMCM as well as any other laws in Macao that may apply to the offer and sale of the Bonds in Macao. The Bonds are not authorised for public offer in Macao under the FSA and Guidelines under Circular no. 033/B/2010-DSB/AMCM, Circular no. 009/B/2019-DSB/AMCM and Circular 008/B/2021-DSB/AMCM, thus may not be offered or sold in Macao, unless such offer is made by Macao licensed financial institution according to the FSA and Guidelines under Circular no. 033/B/2010-DSB/AMCM and Circular no. 009/B/2019-DSB/AMCM and Circular 008/B/2021-DSB/AMCM and upon their communication to the Monetary Authority of Macao and Chongwa (Macao) Financial Asset Exchange Co., Ltd., in observation of the guidelines and recommendations issued by the Monetary Authority of Macao from time to time.

## **Singapore**

Each Joint Lead Manager has acknowledged that this Offering Circular has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Accordingly, each Joint Lead Manager has represented and agreed that it has not offered or sold any Bonds or caused the Bonds to be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase and will not offer or sell any Bonds or cause the Bonds to be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, and has not circulated or distributed, nor will it circulate or distribute,

this Offering Circular or any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the Bonds, whether directly or indirectly, to any person in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor (as defined in Section 4A of the Securities and Futures Act 2001 (2020 Revised Edition) of Singapore, as modified or amended from time to time (the “SFA”)) pursuant to Section 274 of the SFA, (ii) to a relevant person (as defined in Section 275(2) of the SFA) pursuant to Section 275(1) of the SFA, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A) of the SFA, and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 275 of the SFA, or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Where the Bonds are subscribed or purchased under Section 275 of the SFA by a relevant person which is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor (as defined in Section 4A of the SFA)) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary of the trust is an individual who is an accredited investor,

securities or securities-based derivatives contracts (each term as defined in Section 2(1) of the SFA) of that corporation or the beneficiaries’ rights and interest (howsoever described) in that trust shall not be transferred within six months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the Bonds pursuant to an offer made under Section 275 of the SFA except:

- (i) to an institutional investor or to a relevant person, or to any person arising from an offer referred to in Section 275(1A) or Section 276(4)(c)(ii) of the SFA;
- (ii) where no consideration is or will be given for the transfer;
- (iii) where the transfer is by operation of law;
- (iv) as specified in Section 276(7) of the SFA; or
- (v) as specified in Regulation 37A of the Securities and Futures (Offers of Investments) (Securities and Securities-based Derivatives Contracts) Regulations 2018 of Singapore.

*Singapore SFA Product Classification: In connection with Section 309B of the Securities and Futures Act 2001 (2020 Revised Edition) of Singapore (the “SFA”) and the Securities and Futures (Capital Markets Products) Regulations 2018 of Singapore (the “CMP Regulations 2018”), the Issuer has determined, and hereby notifies all relevant persons (as defined in Section 309A(1) of the SFA), that the Bonds are ‘prescribed capital markets products’ (as defined in the CMP Regulations 2018) and Excluded Investment Products (as defined in MAS Notice SFA 04-N12: Notice on the Sale of Investment Products and MAS Notice FAA-N16: Notice on Recommendations on Investment Products).*

## **Japan**

The Bonds have not been and will not be registered under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act of Japan (Act No. 25 of 1948, as amended; the “FIEA”) and each Joint Lead Manager has represented and agreed that it will not offer or sell any Bonds, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, any resident of Japan (as defined under Item 5, Paragraph 1, Article 6 of the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act (Act No. 228 of 1949, as amended), or to others for re-offering or re-sale, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, a resident of Japan, except pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of, and otherwise in compliance with, the FIEA and any other applicable laws, regulations of Japan.

**General**

Each Joint Lead Manager has represented and agreed that it has complied and will comply with all applicable laws and regulations in each country or jurisdiction in which it purchases, offers, sells or delivers Bonds or possesses, distributes or publishes this Offering Circular or any other offering material relating to the Bonds. Persons into whose hands this Offering Circular comes are required by the Issuer and the Joint Lead Managers to comply with all applicable laws and regulations in each country or jurisdiction in which they purchase, offer, sell or deliver Bonds or possess, distribute or publish this Offering Circular or any other offering material relating to the Bonds, in all cases at their own expense.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

1. **Clearing Systems:** The Bonds have been accepted for clearance through the CMU. The securities codes for the Bonds are as follows:

	CMU Instrument Number	ISIN	Common Code
2024 Bonds .....	BCMFKFB22027	HK0000881943	255072153
2025 Bonds .....	BCMFKFB22028	HK0000881950	255072161
2027 Bonds .....	BCMFKFB22029	HK0000881968	255072200

The address of the CMU is 55th Floor, Two International Finance Centre, 8 Finance Street, Central, Hong Kong.

2. **Authorisations:** The issuance of the Bonds has been authorised by the State Council of the People's Republic of China and has been approved by the Ministry of Finance of the People's Republic of China. The Bonds are included in the 2022 fiscal budget adjustment plan of Shenzhen as approved by the Standing Committee of the People's Congress of Shenzhen Municipality of Guangdong Province of the People's Republic of China. In accordance with the Budget Law of the People's Republic of China, the Regulation on the Implementation of the Budget Law of the People's Republic of China (Decree of the State Council of the People's Republic of China (No. 729)), the Opinion of the State Council on Strengthening the Management of Local Government Debt (Decree of the State Council of the People's Republic of China (No. 43, 2014)) and the Administrative Measures for the Local Government Bonds Issuance (Decree of the Ministry of Finance of the People's Republic of China (No. 43, 2020)), the Bonds are issued as special bonds, which will constitute specific debt of the Issuer.
3. **Listing:** The Bonds will be listed on the SEHK.
4. **Significant Change:** There has been no significant change in the tax and budgetary systems, gross public debt, foreign trade, financial position and resources and income and expenditure figures of Shenzhen Municipal People's Government since 31 December 2021.
5. **Legal Proceedings:** There are no governmental, legal or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending) during the 12 months preceding the date of this Offering Circular which may have, or have had in the recent past, significant effects on the financial position of the Issuer.
6. **Available Documents:** From the date hereof and for so long as any of the Bonds remains outstanding, copies of the government budget of Shenzhen Municipal People's Government for the current fiscal year, will be available for inspection at the specified office of the Fiscal Agent at 16/F, COS Centre, 56 Tsun Yip Street, Kwun Tong, Hong Kong, during normal business hours. The email address of the Fiscal Agent is [SECURITIES\\_SERVICE@BANKCOMM.COM.HK](mailto:SECURITIES_SERVICE@BANKCOMM.COM.HK).
7. **Immunity:** To the extent that the Issuer may claim for itself immunity from any Proceedings (as defined in the *Terms and Conditions of the Bonds*), and to the extent that in any such jurisdiction there may be attributed to the Issuer such immunity (whether or not claimed), the Issuer hereby agrees not to claim and hereby waives and will waive such immunity in the face of the courts; provided, however, that the Issuer has not waived, and shall not waive, its sovereign and other immunity with respect to assets wherever located from execution or attachment, whether in aid of execution, before judgment or otherwise.

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