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ABOUT SOLOMON SYSTECH

Solomon Systech (International) Limited (the "**Company**") and its subsidiaries ("**Solomon Systech**", collectively, "**the Group**" or "**we**") is a leading semiconductor group providing integrated circuit ("**IC**") products and system solutions. Adopting a "fabless" business model, the Group specialises in the design, development and sales of IC products and system solutions that enable a wide range of display and touch applications for smartphones, tablets, TVs/monitors, notebooks and other smart devices, including electronic shelf labels ("**ESL**"), wearables, healthcare devices, smart home devices, as well as industrial appliances, etc.

Solomon Systech has a high calibre and experienced design team to develop its intellectual properties ("**IP**") for highly integrated IC products and total system solutions. The Group serves a number of renowned brands and well-established companies across the globe. Over the years, the Group has received a wide array of prestigious awards that have been widely recognised by the market and the industry.

The Group was listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("**Stock Exchange**") on 8 April 2004.

OUR VISION

Provide the ultimate silicon solution for every display system.

OUR FOUNDATION – THE 5 "I"S FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



ESG APPROACH

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WHAT DOES "ESG" MEAN TO SOLOMON SYSTECH

ESG is an integral part of the Group's business strategies in order to achieve business excellence and enhance long-term competitiveness. Therefore, the Group has always insisted on incorporating ESG responsibilities into corporate operation and management, and has established effective risk management and internal control systems in relation to ESG. The Group's ESG strategy is based on the compliance with the applicable legal requirements, principle of sustainability and opinions from stakeholders. The Group has also established and implemented various policies to manage and monitor the risks related to the environment, employment, operating practices and community.

Solomon Systech's customer base comprises some of the world's most renowned and respected electronics corporations, including leading ePaper technology companies, multinational technology conglomerates, game console developers, various hand-held medical device and home appliance operating companies, and display module makers. In this context, the Group is committed to providing high-quality products and customer services through continually improving the product quality, minimising the environmental impact, ensuring sustainable operating practices through managing its supply chain in a socially and environmentally responsible manner, and also fulfilling applicable statutory and regulatory requirements.

As a technology company, the Group has been committed to supporting lifelong learning, nurturing talents and providing its employees with an open and healthy workplace. The Group firmly believes that for a company to be sustainable in the long term, it is essential for it to create value for both its stakeholders and society as a whole. It has been the Group's strategy to leverage its expertise and resources to support the communities in which it operates.

The 4-pillar Approach

Environmental Protection

- Green operations minimise environmental impact
- Instil "green thinking" among employees
- Design to minimise environmental impact
- Provide benefits to the environment

Employment and Labour Practices

- Respect labour and human rights
- Foster continuous learning and development
- Provide an open, supportive and healthy workplace
- Motivate and reward our people

Sustainable Operating Practices

- Supply chain management and product responsibility
- Internal control, risk management and information security
- Code of conduct and anti-fraud policy

Community Investment

- Nourish industry talents
- Contribute to the community to fulfil our responsibilities as a good corporate citizen

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD



Dear Valued Stakeholders,

The Group is pleased to present the ESG Report for the year ended 31 December 2024 (**"2024**"). As an annual summary of the Group's sustainable development, this ESG Report fully demonstrates how the Group attaches great importance towards sustainable development, discloses the Group's performance in all the aspects of sustainable development, shows its vision and commitment to sustainable development, and at the same time provides the Group with the opportunity to understand its key stakeholders' expectations and demands regarding the Group's sustainable development.

The management of the Group is committed to incorporating corporate social responsibilities into business operations. In 2024, the Board continues to support in prioritising the Group's ESG issues and ensure the effective delivery of ESG strategies, as well as evaluate the Group's progress towards the ESG targets. Specifically, an ESG Task Force Committee (the "**Task Force**") was established to demonstrate the Group's commitment to sustainability with transparency and accountability. The Group has formulated clear terms of reference that sets out the authority delegated by the Board to it, as well as its duties and responsibilities. The Task Force is primarily responsible for identifying and evaluating the Group's ESG risks and ensuring the effectiveness of ESG-related risk management, controls and activities. The ESG Report and ESG-related performance and matters in 2024 are reviewed and confirmed by the Task Force and the Board.

The Group continuously communicates with its stakeholders to understand their concerns and fulfil their expectations. In order to identify and assess the material concerns of the Group's stakeholders, the Group has worked with an independent third party and conducted materiality assessment surveys through stakeholder engagement. The assessment helped the Group to determine and prioritise the factors that have material impacts on its sustainable growth and incorporated them in the development of its ESG strategies and targets. The Group's material ESG areas include quality products and customer services, business ethics, customer data protection and privacy, IP rights, and supply chain management.

At Solomon Systech, sustainability is embedded in our operations and product development processes. We prioritise energyefficient product designs and responsible sourcing to minimise our environmental footprint. Our sustainability practices reflect our dedication to reducing resource consumption and enhancing environmental performance, ensuring that we contribute positively to both the planet and society. Aiming to achieve the environmental targets, the Group is committed to implementing various measures, which will be mentioned in this ESG Report. The achievement status of these targets is reviewed by the Board and Task Force annually to ensure that the Group's headquarters, offices, and testing center are at a satisfactory pace to achieve the respective targets. A more elaborative description of the progress of such goals and targets related to the Group's contribution towards the environment will be discussed in the section headed "Environmental Targets". Through these efforts, we strive to uphold our environmental responsibilities and support a more sustainable future.

Solomon Systech's strategic direction is centered on fostering high growth and expanding technological capabilities. By focusing on cutting-edge innovations and broadening our product portfolios, we aim to meet the evolving needs of our customers while aligning with our ESG priorities. The Group endeavours to develop proprietary and customised display IC driver solutions incorporated into IC products for its customers, including high-speed and high-resolution solutions, as well as low-power consumption and low-carbon content advantages products such as ESL and e-readers, to minimise the environmental impacts. Our commitment to technological advancement not only drives business success but also supports our sustainability goals, ensuring that we deliver value to our stakeholders and maintain a competitive edge in the market.

In addition to conserving the environment, the Group also believes that giving back to the community is indispensable to society's sustainable development. Through the philanthropic initiatives of donating to selected beneficiaries and encouragement to employees to actively participate in voluntary activities, the Group hopes to deliver warmth to the vulnerable and establish an inclusive society where everyone feels valued.

Finally, the Board would like to express its gratitude to the management team, all employees and stakeholders for their continuous contributions to the Group's sustainable development throughout 2024. Looking forward, the Group will expend more effort into ESG-related issues and enhance its sustainability strategy consistently to create the greatest value for its stakeholders.

Hong Kong, 29 April 2025

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ESG GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

The Group is committed to the principles of good corporate governance and strives to integrate ESG initiatives into its business strategies and management approach. A systematic governance structure has been established within the organisation consisting of the Board, the Task Force and the business units to holistically integrate ESG strategies and targets into the Group's development plan. The following diagram illustrates the Group's sustainability governance framework:



At Solomon Systech, the Board bears the collective and overall responsibility for the Group's strategy and reporting in respect of the ESG issues, which includes:



Under the Board's delegation, the Task Force, chaired by the Executive Director comprising the Company Secretary and staff from relevant departments, is set up to systematically manage the Group's ESG issues. The Task Force assists the Board in fulfilling the oversight responsibilities and reports to the Board annually. The main responsibilities of the Task Force include the following:



The implementation of the sustainability approach of the Group relies on the support of the designated personnel from various business units who are responsible for executing ESG-related policies and assisting in data collection. Through normal operation channels, all the business units are required to report to and support the Task Force in implementing the approved strategies and policies.

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ABOUT THIS ESG REPORT

This ESG Report is prepared by Solomon Systech to present the Group's approach and performance with regard to relevant ESG issues in 2024.

Committed to enhancing the ESG information disclosed and the quality of ESG Report, the Group's ESG practices and reporting processes are continuously being reviewed. Based on the principle of materiality, and considering its core business and main revenue sources, the scope of this ESG Report covers the ESG performance of the Group's principal business which includes the design, development and sales of IC products and system solutions of the Company and its major operating subsidiaries in Hong Kong, Mainland China and Taiwan, details of which are set out in section 4 of the Appendix. The scope of this ESG Report is consistent with that for the year ended 31 December 2023 ("**2023**"). The Group uses revenue in calculating certain environmental key performance indicators ("**KPIs**"), particularly intensity metrics. However, due to inherent uncertainties and potential changes in economic, social and other external factors, the Group's revenue may fluctuate beyond the Group's control, impacting the reported intensity figures.

The content of this ESG Report has been prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Environmental, Social and Governance Reporting Guide (the "**ESG Reporting Guide**") as depicted in Appendix C2 of The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities by the Stock Exchange. In preparation for this ESG Report, the Group strives to ensure that the information disclosed herein follows the four reporting principles, namely materiality, quantitative, balance and consistency.

MATERIALITY

Materiality assessment was conducted to prioritise material ESG issues during 2024. The materiality of ESG issues was reviewed and confirmed by the Board and the Task Force. Please refer to the sections headed "Stakeholder Engagement" and "Materiality Assessment" for further details.

QUANTITATIVE

The standards and methodologies used in the calculation of relevant data in this ESG Report, as well as the applicable assumptions were disclosed separately under each section. The KPIs were supplemented by explanatory notes to establish benchmarks where feasible.

BALANCE

This ESG Report is based on an objective and impartial manner to ensure that the information disclosed faithfully reflects the overall performance of the Group in ESG aspects.

CONSISTENCY

The statistical methodologies applied to this ESG Report were substantially consistent with those applied to 2023, and explanations were provided regarding the calculation methodologies.

The Group has established internal controls and a formal review process to ensure that any information presented in this ESG Report is as accurate and reliable as possible. This ESG Report has been approved by the Task Force and the Board.

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STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

In order to facilitate the Group's sustainable growth, the Group identified the key stakeholders and engaged them to identify the most material sustainability issues and the potential risks that may arise. Key stakeholders include, but are not limited to, employees, shareholders and investors, customers, suppliers and distributors, the government and other regulatory authorities, and the media and the public.

Stakeholders' expectations have been taken into consideration by utilising diversified engagement methods and communication channels as shown below:

Stakeholders	Expectations	Communication channels
Employees	 Remuneration and benefits Safe working environment Career development Equal opportunities 	 Training activities, seminars and briefings Internal email Regular meetings Performance appraisal Volunteering activities
Shareholders and investors	 Sustainable profitability Shareholder return Business strategies and performance 	 Interim and annual reports Email Investor and conference meetings
Customers	 Possession of technical capability Ability to provide accurate and efficient processing High quality products and services Customer privacy protection Operation compliance 	 Customer service hotline Customer meetings



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Stakeholders	Expectations	Communication Channels
Suppliers and distributors	 Fair and open procurement On-time payment Sustainable relationship 	 Site visits Business meetings and discussions
Government and other regulatory bodies	 Pay taxes as required by law Business ethics and reputation Legal compliance 	 Compliance check Due diligence Regulatory filing and statutory announcements Conferences and seminars Site visits
Media and the public	 Transparency of ESG issues and financial disclosure Legal compliance Corporate governance Community investment 	 Reports and announcement Press release Corporate website

The Group endeavours to actively listen to and collaborate with its stakeholders to ensure that their opinions can be effectively communicated through efficient channels. In the long run, the stakeholders' contribution will assist the Group in enhancing ESG performances and sustaining the success of the Group's business in the challenging market.

MATERIALITY ASSESSMENT

The materiality assessment process helps the Group to identify and prioritise ESG topics that have the most significant impact on the Group's businesses and its stakeholders' assessments and decisions. The process is summarised below:



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The following matrix is a summary of the Group's material ESG topics:



Considering the impact of relevant ESG topics, the 5 most material issues were consistent with that of the previous year, namely quality products and customer services, business ethics, customer data protection and privacy, IP rights, and supply chain management. Each focus area provides the Group with clear direction and guidance in deploying resources whilst strengthening its business strategies. The policies and management measures in all material aspects specified in the ESG Reporting Guide issued by the Stock Exchange are set out in the relevant sections of this ESG Report. For details, please refer to the index table in the Appendix.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Solomon Systech adopts a "fabless" business model and focuses on the design, development, as well as quality control and marketing of IC solutions. As the Group has outsourced the manufacturing processes, it does not impose a significant direct impact on the environment in the course of business operations. However, the Group is committed to reducing the possible adverse impact of its operations on the environment. Environmental considerations are integrated into the Group's business operations through its environmental management system ("**EMS**") certified with the ISO14001 standard. The Group believes its EMS creates a robust framework for managing its environmental and energy performance.

The Group's Environmental Management Policy highlights its commitment to providing benefits to interested parties and the environment, protecting the environment by restricting the use of hazardous substances in products and utilising natural resources prudently and rationally conserve resources, as well as fulfilling applicable statutory or regulatory requirements and compliance obligations. To supplement the Environmental Management Policy, the Group has the Environmental Office Practices outlining the practices to be adopted for minimising the environmental impacts of office activities. The abovementioned policy and practices are communicated to the Group's employees and are reviewed by the Task Force periodically.

In 2024, the Group was not aware of any non-compliance with laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the Group relating to air and GHG emissions, discharges into water and land, and generation of hazardous and non-hazardous waste. These include but not limited to the Air Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap.311), the Water Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap.358), the Waste Disposal Ordinance (Cap. 354) of Hong Kong, the Environmental Protection Law of the People's Republic of China on the Prevention and Control of Atmospheric Pollution and the Basic Environment Act of Taiwan.



ENVIRONMENTAL TARGETS

To fulfil the aforementioned environmental policies, the Group has set clear environmental objectives and targets to manage its environmental impact, covering energy efficiency, water conservation, GHG emission control and waste reduction. The Group strives to meet its targets through stringent management and regular review. The following table is the summary of the Group's relevant major environmental targets:

Aspect	Indicators	Progress
Energy Efficiency	<i>Group-wide (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)</i> Reduce total electricity consumption by 0.2% gradually by the year ending 31 December 2025 (" 2025 "), using the year ended 31 December 2021 (" 2021 ") as the baseline year.	Compared with 2021, the Group's total electricity consumption decreased by approximately 3.71% in 2024. The Group will continue to monitor its performance, strive for improvement and review the progress made against the target in the forthcoming year.
	<i>Hong Kong Headquarter</i> Support and participate in energy-saving campaigns at least once a year from 2022 onwards.	 To demonstrate the Group's commitment in supporting WWF's Earth Hour 2024, the Hong Kong Headquarter has not only participated on the official event date on 23 March 2024, but also extended the office light-out during lunch break throughout that week.
	<i>Dongguan Testing and Packing Center</i> Reduce total electricity consumption by 0.2% gradually by the year ending 31 December 2027 (" 2027 "), using 2022 as the baseline year.	In 2024, there was a commencement of a new floor of factory building, leading to an increase in electricity consumption in Dongguan Testing and Packing Center. In view of the expansion, the Group has assessed that the target should be adjusted.
	<i>Dongguan Testing and Packing Center</i> Reduce electricity consumption intensity (kWh per installed capacity ¹) in the center by 3% gradually by 2027, using 2022 as the baseline year.	Compared with 2022, the electricity consumption intensity in Dongguan Testing and Packing Center has decreased by approximately 0.74% in 2024. The Group will continue to monitor its performance, strive for improvement and review the progress made against this new target in coming years.

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Aspect	Indicators	Progress
Water Conservation	<i>Group-wide (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)</i> Provide notices to staff to arouse water reservation awareness at least once a year from 2022 onwards.	 Posted notices on our internal portal and through electronic communications; and provided water-saving tips near the water taps in the offices.
	<i>Dongguan Testing and Packing Center</i> Reduce total water consumption by 0.2% gradually by 2027, using 2022 as the baseline year.	In 2024, there was a commencement of a new floor of factory building, leading to an increase in water consumption in Dongguan Testing and Packing Center. In view of the operational need, the Group has assessed that the target should be adjusted.
	Dongguan Testing and Packing Center Reduce total water consumption intensity (m ³ per installed capacity ¹) by 3% gradually by 2027, using 2022 as the baseline year.	 Compared with 2022, the total water consumption intensity in Dongguan Testing and Packing Center has increased by approximately 2.70% in 2024. The Group will continue to monitor its performance, strive for improvement and review the progress made against this new target in the next few years.
GHG Emission Control	<i>Group-wide (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)</i> Reduce GHG emissions by 0.2% gradually by 2025, using 2021 as the baseline year.	Compared with 2021, the Group's GHG emissions (Scope 1 and 2) decreased by approximately 21.94% in 2024. We will continue to monitor its performance, seek to reduce its GHG emissions and review the progress made agains the target in forthcoming year.

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Aspect	Indicators	Progress
Waste Reduction	<i>Group-wide (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)</i> Provide waste separation recycling bins for the collection of recyclables including wastepaper, plastics, metals and glass in each of the Group's offices from 2022 onwards.	 Installed recycling bins in office areas, laboratories, and common areas, such as reception, pantry, and printing room.
	<i>Group-wide (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)</i> Provide notices to inform staff on the reduce, reuse and recycle principle at least once a year from 2022 onwards.	 Communicated the principle of reduce, reuse, and recycle to staff through postings in the printing room and electronic communications.
	<i>Hong Kong Headquarters</i> Reduce total non-hazardous waste by 5% gradually by 2025, using 2021 as the baseline year.	 Compared with 2021, the total non-hazardous waste generated in the Hong Kong headquarters decreased significantly by approximately 30.96% in 2024. The Group will continue to monitor its performance, strive for improvement and review the progress made against the target in forthcoming year.
	<i>Hong Kong Headquarters</i> Reduce total paper consumption by 0.5% gradually by 2025, using 2021 as the baseline year.	Compared with 2021, the amount of paper consumed in the Hong Kong headquarters increased by approximately 5.31% in 2024 mainly due to administrative needs. The Group will continue to monitor its performance, strive for improvement and review the progress made against the target in forthcoming year.

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Note:

1. Installed capacity is measured in CP Machine hours. In 2024, the installed capacity is 235,200 hours (2023: 227,700 hours; 2022: 204,600 hours).

EMISSIONS MANAGEMENT

Air Emissions

Given the Group's business nature, the Group does not generate a significant amount of air emissions directly during its operations. The Group's emissions are mainly from petrol consumed by vehicles. The Group has actively adopted measures to minimise emissions, such as regularly maintaining and repairing vehicles to prevent them from generating excessive air emissions from broken parts or other reasons and encouraging employees to take public transport for business trips.

A summary of the Group's performance on air emissions is as follows:

		20)24	20	23
Indicator ²	Unit	The Group (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)	Dongguan Testing and Packing Center	The Group (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)	Dongguan Testing and Packing Center
Nitrogen oxides (NO _x)	kg	2.62	-	2.18	_
Sulphur oxides (SO _x)	kg	0.04	_	0.04	_
Particular matter (PM)	kg	0.19	_	0.16	_
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No air emissions were generated from the Dongguan Testing and Packing Center due to the utilisation of an electric vehicle ("**EV**"). In general, EVs offer a remarkable alternative to traditional vehicles powered by fossil fuels and contribute to reducing the increase in air emissions as it produces zero tailpipe emissions during operation.

Note:

2. The calculation method of air emissions is based on "How to prepare an ESG report - Appendix 2: Reporting Guidance on Environmental KPIs" issued by the Stock Exchange.

GHG Emissions

The sources of GHG emissions within the Group are direct GHG emissions (Scope 1) from the combustion of petrol consumed by vehicles and emissions from refrigerants, and energy indirect GHG emissions (Scope 2) from purchased electricity. In 2024, the Group enhanced its data collection method and thus expanded its calculation and disclosure on other indirect GHG emissions from the value chain (Scope 3), arising from purchased goods and services, waste generated in operations as well as business travel.

The Group has adopted proactive measures to reduce its GHG emissions. The Group focuses on nurturing and strengthening the employees' awareness of environmental protection in their daily work processes, and actively implements environmental protection initiatives. In addition, detailed guidelines of environmental design requirements are introduced for employees to follow during the design process, aiming to minimise GHG emissions. As a result of the effective implementation of the measures described in the section headed "Air Emissions", the direct emissions arising from petrol consumed by vehicles have decreased by approximately 9%. However, the emission from the replenishment of refrigerants has slightly increased, even with the same consumption amount, due to the change in the "Global Warming Potential Values". Despite there was a slight increase in electricity consumption in 2024, the energy indirect (Scope 2) GHG emissions have decreased due to changes in emission factors for electricity consumed in Mainland China.

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A summary of the Group's performance on GHG emissions is as follows:

		2024		20)23
Indicator ³	Unit	The Group (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)	Dongguan Testing and Packing Center	The Group (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)	Dongguan Testing and Packing Center
Scope 1 – Direct GHG emissions • Petrol consumed by vehicles • Use of refrigeration	tCO ₂ e*	6.86	19.60	7.53	17.60
Scope 2 – Energy indirect GHG emissions • Purchased electricity	tCO ₂ e	502.37	1,855.99	531.63	2,674.16
Total GHG emissions (Scope 1 and 2)	tCO _z e	509.23	1,875.59	539.16	2,691.76
Indicator	Unit	The	Group	The	Group
Total GHG emissions (Scope 1 and 2)	tCO _z e	2,384.82		3,230.92	
Scope 3 – Other indirect GHG emissions ⁴	tCO ₂ e	13,336.36		Ν	I/A
Category 1: Purchased goods and services	tCO ₂ e	6,9	58.33	Ν	I/A
• Category 5: Waste generated in operations	tCO ₂ e	6,252.59 N/A		I/A	
• Category 6: Business travel	tCO ₂ e	115.44 N/A		I/A	
Total GHG emissions (Scope 1, 2 and 3)	tCO _z e	15,7	21.18	N	/ A
Total GHG emissions Intensity ⁵	tCO ₂ e/million revenue (US\$)	13	8.59	21	10

* tCO2e: tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent

Notes:

- 3. GHG emission data is presented in terms of carbon dioxide equivalent and are based on, but not limited to, "The Greenhouse Gas Protocol: A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standards" issued by the World Resources Institute and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development, "How to prepare an ESG Report Appendix 2: Reporting Guidance on Environmental KPIs" issued by the Stock Exchange, the "Global Warming Potential Values" from the IPCC Sixth Assessment Report (AR6), the "Notice on Releasing the Carbon Dioxide Emission Factor of Electricity in 2022" issued by the Ministry of Ecological Environment of the People's Republic of China, the 2023 electricity carbon emission factor published by the Energy Administration, Ministry of Economic Affairs of Taiwan and the 2023 Sustainability Report published by the CLP Holdings Limited.
- 4. In 2024, the Group enhanced its data collection method and disclosure on GHG emissions by expanding to other indirect GHG emissions (Scope 3). The calculations are based on, but not limited to, "How to prepare an ESG Report Appendix 2: Reporting Guidance on Environmental KPIs" issued by the Stock Exchange, Annual Report 2022/23 published by the Water Supplies Department of Hong Kong, Sustainability Report 2022-23 published by the Drainage Service Department of Hong Kong, "US Environmentally-Extended Input-Output (USEEIO) Models" published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and "UK Government GHG Conversion Factors for Company Reporting" published by the Department for Energy Security & Net Zero and Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs of the UK. When data collection and calculation methods are enhanced, the Group will strive to disclose more categories when feasible in the future.
- 5. In 2024, the Group has recorded a total revenue of approximately US\$113,440,000 (2023: US\$153,151,000). The data is also used for calculating other intensity data.

Waste Management

Hazardous Waste

In daily office operations, the Group generates an insignificant amount of hazardous waste, including toner cartridges and fluorescent lamps.

During the Group's research and development (**"R&D**") process of IC products, hazardous waste such as waste oil, batteries, oil filters, and waste packaging are unpreventably generated. Hence, the Group has formulated a comprehensive Operating Instruction Manual for Hazardous Chemicals Management (《作業指導書 – 化學危險品管理》)("**MHCM**"), aiming to enhance the Group's storage, manage the usage of hazardous chemicals, as well as prevent spills and environmental pollution. The Group actively executes the following measures as stated in the MHCM:

- Control the storing temperature and humidity of each hazardous chemical based on the chemicals' properties;
- Store the particularly hazardous chemical in specified containers only, and clean the containers before using them to prevent potential waste due to contamination;
- Keep records of the names and quantities of each raw material during the process of materials requisition, issuance and restoration in the Inbound and Outbound of Hazardous Chemicals Record Form (《危險化學品出入庫記錄表》);
- Inspect the quality, quantity, weight, and packaging, and act promptly if there are leaks or shortages of stabilisers; and
- Collect and reuse waste computer accessories or systems wherever practicable.

Meanwhile, being aware that hazardous waste shall be discharged, disposed of, or transported with extreme carefulness to prevent the toxic substances from damaging the environment, the Group has authorised qualified third-party companies to collect hazardous waste for further treatment. Warehouse keepers of the Group are responsible to fill in the Storage Form of Hazardous Waste (《危險廢物儲存環節記錄表》) which records the outbound of hazardous waste from the warehouse. The Group has also maintained high standards in the implementation of the waste management system and formulated relevant procedures to standardise and manage its waste management operations and ensure all disposal records are traceable and controllable.

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In 2024, the Group's total hazardous waste intensity was approximately 9.06 kg/million revenue (US\$) (2023: approximately 2.26 kg/million revenue (US\$)). The increase was attributed to the maintenance of the water treatment system and capacity expansion at the Dongguan Testing and Packing Center. In addition, the Group's revenue decreased in 2024. Thus, the intensity figure increased year-on-year.

		2024 2023)23
Indicator	Unit	The Group (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)	Dongguan Testing and Packing Center	The Group (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)	Dongguan Testing and Packing Center
Waste oil ⁶	kg		37.00		113.93
Batteries	kg	1.60	_	2.80	_
Toner cartridge	kg	21.08	_	24.82	_
Florescent lamp	kg	18.85	_	26.36	26.00
Oil filters	kg	_	52.00	-	49.74
Waste packaging ⁷	kg	_	112.00	_	103.00
Alkaline soil ⁸	kg	_	785.00	N/A	N/A
Total hazardous waste	kg	41.53	986.00	53.98	292.67
Indicator	Unit	The C	iroup	The Group	
Total hazardous waste	kg	1,027.53 346		6.65	
Total hazardous waste intensity	kg/million revenue (US\$)	9.06		2.	.26

A summary of the Group's performance on hazardous waste disposal is as follows:

Notes:

- 6. The recorded weight of waste oil is influenced by the timing of lubricating oil replacements, meaning the annual waste oil figures may include some oil generated in the previous year. This creates an inherent limitation in reflecting the amount of waste oil generated within a single year.
- 7. Included in waste packaging are alcohol-containing bottles and cleanroom wipers arising from sanitising clean rooms. The figure of 2023 has been restated after clarifying the amount produced instead of the amount sent to qualified handling companies, leading to a significant increase from the figure disclosed in the previous report. The restatement has also led to adjustment of the amounts of total hazardous waste and intensity. The amount further increased in the second half of year 2024 due to addition of a new clean room for potential capacity expansion.
- 8. Alkaline soil is generated during the process of maintenance of water treatment system. The figure is reported for the first time in 2024 with enhancements to the data collection method. Since the actual production involves concentration and condensation of alkaline water over multiple years, the amount for 2024 includes a proportion of condensation of alkaline water produced in 2023. For further details, please refer to the paragraph headed "Sewage Discharge".

Non-hazardous Waste

The non-hazardous waste generated during the Group's operations is mainly used paper in offices and general waste involving the disposal of defective plastic film and the plastic component of malfunctioning IC products in the test center. With the aim of minimising the amount of non-hazardous waste generated in its business operations and achieving its targets, the Group has made relentless efforts at reducing waste. The Group has also implemented the Environmental Office Practices and other relevant policies to raise environmental awareness among its employees.

In the office, the Group greatly encourages employees to reduce waste generation through reducing the use of office paper to strive for a paperless office and reusing or recycling materials before disposal when appropriate. Furthermore, with reference to the Environmental Office Practices, the Group has implemented waste management approach and initiatives including but not limited to the following:

- Introduce a Human Resource Self-Service System to handle employee benefits scheme online applications, aiming for creating a paperless office;
- Install recycling facilities to facilitate the recycling of general solid wastes;
- Communicate and provide paper-saving guidelines to staff including the double-sided printing setting guideline to staff;
- Collect and reuse waste computer accessories in other computers or systems wherever practicable; and
- Collect scraped information technology equipment and contact appropriate contractors to pick up for recycling where possible.

The Group also recognises the importance of properly handling general waste generated during the process of design and testing of IC products. To handle such waste, the Group contacts experienced contractors certified with ISO 14001 certificate to pick up scraped materials for recycling where possible. Meanwhile, warehouse keepers of the Group are required to fill in the General Industrial Solid Waste Inbound and Outbound Record Form (《一般工業固體廢物進出儲存記錄表》) when wastes are directed to third-parties.

In 2024, the Group's total non-hazardous waste intensity was approximately 173.87 kg/million revenue (US\$) (2023: approximately 259.61 kg/million revenue (US\$)). At the Dongguan Testing and Packing Center, the reduction in non-hazardous waste amount is primarily attributable to the decreased production volume and cessation of centralised material disposal. The decrease can also be attributable to the lack of waste data from the Shenzhen office since its relocation, as office waste has been collected by the property management company.

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A summary of the Group's performance on non-hazardous waste disposal is as follows:

		2(2024 2023		
Indicator	Unit	The Group (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)	Dongguan Testing and Packing Center	The Group (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)	Dongguan Testing and Packing Center
General waste	kg	9,959.50	2,035.00	19,200.00	10,030.00
Paper	kg	1,252.82	187.45	1,227.26 ⁹	341.79
Silicon dust	kg	-	6,289.00	-	8,960.00
Total non-hazardous waste	kg	11,212.32	8,511.45	20,427.26	19,331.79
Indicator	Unit	The	Group	The (Group
Total non-hazardous waste	kg	19,723.77		39,759.05	
Total non-hazardous waste intensity	kg/million revenue (US\$)	17	3.87	259.61	

Note:

9. The figure was presented with typographical error and is restated this year.

Sewage Discharge

The Group does not consume a significant volume of water through its business activities, therefore its business activities did not generate a material portion of discharge into water. Yet, the Group has established an Operating Instruction Manual of Sewage System and Maintenance (《作業指導書 – 污水系統操作和維護保養》) to ensure the sewage treatment operates properly, fulfil the goal of water purification and management of sludge disposal, as well as abide by relevant standards and regulations in where it operates to protect the environment. The procedures of sewage treatment are as follows:

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Alkaline soil is generated during the process of maintenance of water treatment system and is collected by qualified handling companies. Relevant data and information could be referred to the paragraph headed "Hazardous Waste" above.

In 2024, the Dongguan Testing and Packing Center has recycled a total of 24,490.00 m³ (2023: 26,464.00 m³) of wastewater. As the sewage discharged by the Group is discharged into the municipal sewage pipe network, the amount of sewage discharge is considered as the water consumed. The amount of water consumed and corresponding water-saving initiatives will be described in the section headed "Water Consumption".

RESOURCE UTILISATION

Energy Consumption

During its daily production and operations, the Group's major sources of energy consumption are mainly petrol consumed by the vehicles for transportation means and electricity consumption for its daily operations in offices and the testing center. Adhering to the Group's commitment to saving energy and improving energy efficiency, the Group has established a sound energy management system to improve energy efficiency and has incorporated various measures to reduce energy consumption for different operations. Below are some of the energy-saving practices:

Energy Management in Offices

- Switch off unnecessary lights, the last person leaving the meeting room and office should switch off all the lights;
- Energy saving notice given to staff prior to long holidays with an aim in reminding power-off unnecessary electrical devices in office;
- Select and purchase energy-efficient office equipment where possible;
- Share "Green Tips" with employees every week, i.e. simple but feasible energy-saving measures in the workplace; and
- Activate power management features on computers so that computers would enter power-saving mode when idle.

Energy Management in Testing Center

- Minimise the number and use of facilities for production; and
- Adopt the use of inverters for high-power motors.

Evaluation of Energy Efficiency

- Assign designated personnel to inspect the usage of electricity for all electrical equipment;
- Record the overall electricity consumption on the Electricity Consumption Record Form monthly; and
- Instruct the financial department to summarise and verify the energy data, as well as gather all the information and present them in form of a report.

In 2024, the Group's total energy consumption intensity was approximately 52.41 MWh/million revenue (US\$) (2023: approximately 37.99 MWh/million revenue (US\$)). In addition to the decreased revenue, the increase was mainly attributable to the rise in electricity consumption due to the expansion of office space in Shenzhen, the addition of a factory floor, and the installation of new server racks in the server room. The increase also included the electricity consumption by the Group's EV which was reported for the first time with enhancement of data collection method.

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A summary of the Group's performance on energy consumption is as follows:

		20	24	2023		
Indicator ¹⁰	Unit	The Group (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)	Dongguan Testing and Packing Center	The Group (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)	Dongguan Testing and Packing Center	
Direct energy consumption • Petrol consumed by vehicles	MWh	24.93	_	27.36	_	
Indirect energy consumption • Purchased electricity	MWh	1,122.95	4,797.07	1,102.02	4,689.04	
Total energy consumption	MWh	1,147.88	4,797.07	1,129.38	4,689.04	
Indicator	Unit	The Group The			iroup	
Total energy consumption	MWh	5,94	4.95	5,818.42		
Total energy consumption intensity	MWh/million revenue (US\$)	52.41		37.99		

Note:

10. The unit conversion method of energy consumption data is formulated based on the Energy Statistics Handbook issued by the International Energy Agency.

The Group has taken concrete actions to reduce energy consumption by raising energy efficiency. Looking ahead, the Group would continually make efforts in reducing its energy consumption and regularly review possibilities to improve energy management across its operations.

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Water Consumption

The Group's water consumption is mainly for domestic use, sourcing from the municipal water supply. The Group does not face any problems or risks when accessing sufficient water sources. Since water is one of the most precious resources in the world, the Group makes every effort to cherish water resources and reduce unnecessary water consumption. The Group has always been seeking effective ways to use water, and encourages all employees to develop a good habit of conserving water consciously to reduce water consumption. To further enhance the utilisation efficiency of water resources, the Group has adopted the following water-saving practices:

- Promote and educate staff to save water through posters and seminars;
- Fix dripping taps and other defects in the water supply system promptly;
- Conduct regular leakage tests on water taps and joint rings; and
- Require designated personnel in each operating site to fill in the Water Consumption Record Form for the financial department to summarise, verify and present the data in the form of a report monthly.

With the effective implementation of the above measures, despite of the slight decrease in total water consumption in 2024 as compared to 2023, the Group's total water consumption intensity increased by approximately 30% due to drop in revenue. The Group will stive to enhance the water efficiency in the future.

			20	24	20	23
			The Group		The Group	
			(ex-Dongguan	Dongguan	(ex-Dongguan	Dongguan
			Testing and	Testing and	Testing and	Testing and
Indicator		Unit	Packing Center)	Packing Center	Packing Center)	Packing Center
Total water consu	Imption	m ³	1,905.90	19,626.00	2,137.46	20,171.00
Indicator		Unit	The C	Group	The Group	
Total water consu	Imption	m ³	21,5	31.90	22,308.46	
Total water consumption in	ntensity	m³/million revenue (US\$)	189.81		189.81 145.66	
	ntensity		189.81)	

A summary of the Group's performance on water consumption is as follows:

Use of Packaging Material

Packaging materials used in finished products of the Group consists of paper and plastic. The Group practices reusing packaging materials after unpacking, thereby minimising purchases to the minimum order quantity from suppliers only when stock levels are low.

To improve the product packaging and make them more sustainable and eco-friendlier, the Group continues to work on reducing excessive packaging and exploring the use of eco-responsible materials as substitutes for conventional packaging. The use of recyclable packaging materials is preferred in the Group, especially those containing recycled constituents or environmentally certified products such as recycled paper.

The Group's "Supply Management Procedure" specifies the requirements for packing and label materials from suppliers. The materials shall be halogen-free and comply with the EU Directive on Packaging and Packaging Waste (94/62/EC). Beyond mere compliance, the Group recognises the critical significance of minimising the adverse effects of halogens on human health and fire risk.

In 2024, with changes in the product mix and specifications of packing, the quantity of packaging materials consumed at the Dongguan Testing and Packing Center has significantly reduced. A summary of the Group's performance on packaging material consumption is as follows:

			2024		2023	
	Indicator	Unit	The Group (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)	Dongguan Testing and Packing Center	The Group (ex-Dongguan Testing and Packing Center)	Dongguan Testing and Packing Center
	Paper	kg	227.80	1,204.00	138.60	14,068.00
	Plastic	kg	48.48	3,714.00	24.96	28,543.00
	Total packaging material consumption	kg	276.28	4,918.00	163.56	42,611.00
	Indicator	Unit	The Group		The Group	
	Total packaging material consumption	kg	5,194.28		42,774.56	
	Total packaging material consumption intensity	kg/million revenue (US\$)	45.79		279.30	

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THE ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Green Operations

The Group's business mainly involves the design, development and sales of goods and there are no significant manufacturing or production activities, therefore, its operations do not directly have a material impact on the environment and natural resources. Nevertheless, the Group strives to mitigate the indirect impact of its operations on the environment. Committed to fulfilling its corporate social responsibility and aiming to be a responsible and sustainable enterprise, the Group has implemented the aforementioned environmental policies and an effective EMS to reduce natural resource consumption and pollution, as well as ensure that it strictly abides by all relevant laws and regulations.

To demonstrate the Group's commitment, the policy on "Workplace Environment Management" has been formulated by the Dongguan Testing and Packing Center. By reinforcing the implementation of "65" standard and cultivation of good work habits across divisions, the workplace has been maintained as a comfortable working environment with excellent indoor air quality. In recognition of the potential health risks associated with silicon dust exposure, despite that it is not classified as hazardous waste, the Group has implemented comprehensive measures aimed at mitigating the hazards in the workplace. The amount of silicon dust collected is disclosed in the section headed "Non-hazardous Waste" above. By prioritising the health and safety of our employees and adhering to relevant environmental regulations, we strive to create a safe, more sustainable workplace.

Design to Minimise Environmental Impact

Environmental aspects are integrated into new product development process with an aim to minimise its environmental impact throughout the product life cycle. By integrating environmental consideration into the Group's business strategies, Solomon Systech aims to be an environmentally sustainable enterprise. The Group recognises low power design that improves the battery life by minimising power consumption is a huge differentiator and extremely important to the end users' applications such as smartphones, tablets, smartwatches and video game controllers. In striving for environmental excellence while also enhancing customer satisfaction, the Group is committed to continuously developing products and solutions with eco-features and enhanced energy efficiency.

CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION AND MITIGATION

The Group is committed to managing the potential climate-related issues which may impact its business activities. The risks and opportunities associated with climate change are incorporated in the Risks & Opportunities Matrix for evaluation and analysis every year. The Group has also established relevant policies with defined environmental objectives and programmes to minimise its impact on climate change.

The Group has adopted the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures and made reference to industry best practices to identify and assess the risks associated with climate change, with a view to formulating countermeasures accordingly. The following is a summary of the Group's disclosures on climate change-related risks and opportunities:

Transition Risks

To support the global vision for decarbonisation, climate legislation and regulations will become more stringent in the future. The Group believes that there is no significant impact to its operations, revenue or expenditure since the Group's financial performance is not sensitive to the level of utility expenditures for its energy requirements. Nevertheless, the Group regularly monitors legal requirements related to GHG and energy efficiency regulations to understand and evaluate impacts on its business, customers, and the communities where we operate. Besides, the Group continues to be proactive in implementing energy-efficient measures and applying low emissions technology. The Group also delivers green tips every Thursday through intranet to promote climate change adjustment and encourage efficient use of resources.

The Group also acknowledges that the shift in market preference is leading to an increasing demand for environmentalfriendly products and increasing consideration of environmental criteria. Failure to satisfy the shift in customer preference may hinder the Group's own overall market effectiveness, relevance and competitiveness. To demonstrate its commitment to combating climate change and outperform peers in capturing the shift in market preference, the Group has implemented the EMS according to ISO14001 standard and has committed to achieving a sustainable value chain with continual improvement.

Physical Risks

As the frequency and magnitude of extreme weather events intensify, there may potentially be adverse and acute impact on the operation of the Group. Although energy use does not comprise a significant portion of our operating costs, and disruptions caused by extreme weather events would not make a substantive impact on our financial performance; extreme weather events may lead to reduced capacity and productivity, damage to power grids and communications infrastructure, employee injuries during their work, and exposing the Group to risks associated with non-performance and delayed performance. Particularly, Dongguan, one of our operation locations, is located in the subtropical south, where typhoons and floods occur frequently during summer. To minimise the potential risks and hazards, the Group has implemented business contingency plans and provides alternate solutions for remote work during bad or extreme weather conditions. In addition, the Group has increased the use of video conference facilities to conduct virtual meetings worldwide, thereby reducing the need for employee travel and minimising the potential for business interruption.

In addition, extreme weather would disrupt product flow and shipping worldwide, including the material supply, thereby affecting the Group's supply chain to a degree. To strengthen business resiliency in face of extreme weather events, the Group has developed strategies for mitigating and responding to them across its value chain. For instance, the Group has maintained a diverse source of suppliers and set up a supply chain contingency plan to manage the event of supply interruption. Detailed measures taken by the Group to stabilise the supply chain will be mentioned in the section headed "Sustainable Supply Chain". In order to reduce inter-factory transportation, the product mix is evaluated regularly to prioritise full-turnkey production or zero-airflight production routes.

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Opportunities

In light of the growing customer demand for sustainable products, Solomon Systech considers developing technologies that improve energy efficiency in devices and other applications as a significant business opportunity. The Group has utilised resources on the products that better adapt with the global market trend and market needs and remains selective in its product R&D spending. Therefore, the Group collaborated with E-Ink Holdings Inc. (**"E-Ink**") and jointly created the state-of-the-art low-carbon electronic paper display panels. The electronic paper display can effectively reduce carbon emissions by replacing the regular single-use paper price tags with colour ESL. In addition, it enables users to receive real-time dynamic updates of product prices and promotional offers, thus improving the efficiency of store operations and customers' experience. Moreover, the Group as a leading supplier of E-Ink for display driver ICs, has developed a new generation of IC supporting 7 colours of e-paper displays. According to statistics from E-Ink, it is estimated that ESL could help to reduce more than 30,000.00 tCO₂e emissions annually. It is also expected that the growth of penetration rate of ePaper ESLs in the global shelf label market will be maintained at 20-30% in the next few years. To grasp the market opportunities and contribute to a more sustainable future, the Group will continue to develop and promote green products that help reduce GHG emissions and power consumption.

Solomon Systech has commenced mass production of Advanced Colour e-Paper products and set a solid footprint in the e-Reader market. The Group has begun co-developing our first automotive-specific driver IC, which are characterised by high-cost effectiveness and low power consumption, targeting mass production in 2025. Solomon Systech is embarking on an innovative plan to develop a Local Dimming solution aimed at significantly enhancing contrast and readability in display content while reducing power consumption in the overall display system.

Looking ahead, Solomon Systech will endeavour to develop green products with designs to minimise environmental impact, and provide environmentally friendly products to our customers in order to create sustainable shareholder value.



EMPLOYMENT AND LABOUR PRACTICES

EMPLOYEES AND WORKPLACE QUALITY

The Group's business development and growth rely heavily on the skills, passion and commitment of its employees, thus the Group considers its employees as its most valuable asset. The Group strives to maintain a work environment that respects and supports human rights, foster a "continuous learning" culture, encourage innovation as well as provide employees with an open, supportive and healthy workplace. The Group also motivates and rewards its people for their hard work and achievements. The Group thus has established related employment policies, including but not limited to the Guidelines on Staff Movement Recommendation and the Leave Policy. For Dongguan Testing and Packing Center, we have also implemented the Labour Contract Supervision and Management System (《勞動合同安全監督管理制度》), the Protection System for Female Workers and Minor (《女工和未成年人保護制度》), and the Insurance of Work-related Injury and Insurance of Production Safety Responsibility Management System (《工傷保險、安全生產責任保險管理制度》) and the Code of Conduct, covering employment-related practices, including compensation and dismissal, recruitment and promotion, working hours, rest periods, diversity, equal opportunity, anti-discrimination, health and safety and other benefits and welfare for employees.

In 2024, the Group was not aware of any material non-compliance with labour laws and regulations that would have a significant impact on the Group, including but not limited to the Employment Ordinance (Cap. 57), the Employees' Compensation Ordinance (Cap. 282), the Minimum Wage Ordinance (Cap. 608) of Hong Kong, the Labour Law of the People's Republic of China, the Labour Contract Law of the People's Republic of China and the Labour Standards Act of Taiwan.

Recruitment, Promotion and Dismissal

The Group adopts a robust and transparent recruitment process based on merit. To guarantee that the employees and applicants are treated and evaluated fairly, the recruitment and promotion of individuals are solely based on their suitability for the position and potential to fulfil the Group's current and future needs.

The Group is committed to providing career advancement opportunities for employees to develop and utilise their potential whenever possible, while at the same time recognising their outstanding performance and enabling the Group to retain qualified staff. Standardised procedures are established in the Guidelines on Staff Movement Recommendation with an aim to review employees' performance on an ongoing basis. The process is designed to meet the needs and align expectations of both management and employees while ensuring that all employees have the opportunity to develop and succeed in their careers.

To protect the employees' rights, the Group strictly prohibits any kind of unfair or unreasonable dismissal. Termination of employment contracts will only proceed with reasonable, lawful grounds and internal policies.

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As at 31 December 2024, the Group had a total workforce of 379 employees (as at 31 December 2023: 369), all of which were working on a full-time basis. Its relative distribution by gender, age group and geographical region are as follows:



As at 31 December 2024, 76.52% of the Group's employees possessed a bachelor's degree or higher (as at 31 December 2023: 73.71%), while 30.08% held a master's degree or higher academic qualifications (as at 31 December 2023: 27.64%). The Group's emphasis on new product innovation is mirrored in the composition of its workforce, where 59.89% of the Group's employees specialised in product design and development by the same date (as at 31 December 2023: 58.27%).

In 2024, the Group's overall turnover rate¹¹ was approximately 9.23% (2023: approximately 13.28%). The Group's employee turnover rate by gender, age group and geographical region are as below:

	Turnover	Turnover Rate (%) 12		
	2024	2023		
By Gender				
Male	10.55	14.16		
Female	7.04	11.89		
By Age Group				
Under 30	10.31	14.14		
30-50	7.88	12.29		
Over 50	14.63	17.65		
By Geographical Region				
Hong Kong	8.18	7.96		
Mainland China	7.66	12.32		
Taiwan	16.67	28.30		
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Notes:

- 11. The overall turnover rate is calculated by dividing the number of employees leaving employment during the reporting period by the number of existing employees as at the end of the reporting period.
- 12. The turnover rate by category is calculated by dividing the number of employees leaving employment in the specific category during the reporting period by the number of existing employees in the specific category as at the end of the reporting period.

Remuneration and Benefits

The Group's remuneration policy is built upon the principles of providing equitable and market-competitive remuneration packages that can stimulate and drive staff at all levels to work towards achieving the Group's objectives. To motivate and retain talent, the Group ensures that employees are recognised by the Group appropriately with respect to their efforts and contributions. In this context, employees' remuneration is determined with reference to the prevailing market level as well as their competence, performance, qualifications and experiences.
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For employees with outstanding performance, the Group offers incentives, including promotion, bonuses, salary increases or additional allowances, based on the overall assessment. In particular, the Group offered the NPI First Order Award, which was granted for new products garnered design wins for mass production with the first successful sample attempt, and also performance-based cash reward schemes, including the KPI Incentive Program, the Profit-Sharing Incentive and the ES1 Mass Production Incentive, for enhancing the quality of work, revenue generation and cost reduction. The Patent Granted Award was also in place to encourage and reward technological innovation, while the Long Service Award was granted to employees of long standing.

Meanwhile, as stated in the Group's Leave Policy, employees are entitled to leaves including statutory festive holidays, paid annual leave, family caring leave, sick leave, marriage leave, maternity leave, paternity leave and compassionate leave. Employees are also provided with benefits such as medical, life and disability insurance coverage. In addition, retirement schemes are included as part of their remuneration packages.

Diversity, Equal Opportunities and Anti-discrimination

The Group recognises the value of a diverse and skilled workforce and is committed to creating and maintaining an inclusive and collaborative workplace culture in which all can thrive. To promote the values of equal opportunities, the Group's policy is committed to providing equal opportunity in all aspects of employment and maintaining a workplace that is free from discrimination, physical or verbal harassment against any individual on the basis of race, religion, colour, gender, physical or mental disability, age, place of origin, marital status and sexual orientation. This covers all aspects of employment, including selection, job assignment, compensation, discipline, termination and access to benefits and training.

In compliance with applicable laws and regulations, the Group has zero tolerance for workplace discrimination or harassment for any reason. Employees are also encouraged to report any discrimination incidents to the Human Resources and Administration Department of the Group. The Group strives to ensure that complaints, grievances and concerns are handled fairly, promptly and confidentially.

Working Hours and Rest Periods

The Group has formulated policies for determining working hours and rest periods in accordance with local employment laws and regulations. The Group tracks employees' working hours through an attendance system to avoid violation of the policy. To allow employees to have more flexibility to meet family needs and personal obligations, the Group has also formulated the Flexible Work Hours Policy. This policy allows employees to adjust their time of reporting and leaving work, hence achieving work-life balance.

Various types of paid leaves, such as examination, paternity, maternity, marriage, and bereavement, are provided by the Group to cope with the employees' needs. The Group also adopts family caring leave to assist its employees in balancing their work and family life.

PROVIDE A SAFE AND HEALTHY WORK ENVIRONMENT

Ensuring the health and safety of all employees is a crucial priority for the Group as it cares for them and their well-being, whilst mitigating occupational health and safety risks. Therefore, the Group has implemented the Occupation Health Management Policy and the Occupational Disease Prevention and Implementation Plan, to ensure that employees are entitled to work in environments where risks to their health and safety are properly controlled. As the Hong Kong headquarters is a tenant of the Hong Kong Science Park, its handbook for tenant companies serves as an additional guideline for internal reference to safeguard the safety and health of our employees.

In 2024, the Group recorded two work-related injuries caused by a traffic accident during commuting in one case and injured ankle during a team-building game at a company event for another case. Both injured were taken to the hospital for checkup and treatment. As a result, the Group's total lost days due to work injury was 16 (2023: 18). Safety reminders to staff were enhanced subsequently. No work-related fatalities occurred between 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2024.

In 2024, the Group was not aware of any material non-compliance with health and safety-related laws and regulations, including but not limited to the Occupational Safety and Health Ordinance (Cap. 509) of Hong Kong, the Production Safety Law of the People's Republic of China, the Law of the People's Republic of China on the Prevention and Treatment of Occupational Diseases and the Occupational Health and Safety Act of Taiwan.

Occupational Safety Management

The Group always puts occupational health and safety in the first place, and thus takes various measures to reduce the occurrence of safety accidents, which effectively eliminates factors that endanger the health of employees. For its Dongguan Testing and Packing Center, the Group has formulated an effective safety management mechanism. In addition, the Group has implemented the Safety, Health and Environmental Policy, the Occupational Health Management Policy, the Occupational Disease Prevention and Implementation Plan, and Safety Manual, covering aspects such as safety operation management, safety inspection, hazard identification and assessment, safety monitoring account setting, and training of safety education.

In order to identify and analyse the risk factors in our operation and develop effective risk control measures, our testing and packing center has formulated the Safety Assessment and Hazard Identification Procedure. Under the procedure, the Group set up a Risk Evaluation Team to collect information and conduct on-site inspections to identify potential hazards and prevent accidents. The Risk Evaluation Team is responsible to analyse and evaluate the risk associated with those identified hazards, determine appropriate elimination plans, and control the risk when the hazard cannot be eliminated.

Moreover, the Group believes that maintaining a high degree of emergency preparedness is important for minimising the occurrence of health and safety incidents at workplace. The Group has developed the Emergency Preparedness and Response Procedure to address any emergency. The Emergency Preparedness and Response Procedure lists various work procedures, safety measures and inspection procedures, and covers standard procedures for the prevention and handling of security incidents. The Group has also paid attention to fire safety in its operations and has formulated the Emergency Evacuation Procedure. This procedure outlines the steps to be taken in the event of fire emergencies, and is intended to ensure the orderly and safe evacuation of personnel. Emergency response drills and safety inspections are also arranged by the Group regularly to secure a safe working environment for its employees. Regarding potential health crises, the Group has a "Health Crisis Response System" in place. Various contingency measures are designed according to risk levels assessed based on different case scenarios.

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Hazardous Substances Management

The Group also recognises the risk of handling hazardous chemicals, hence, guidelines on management of hazardous substances at workplace are formulated to ensure employees' health and safety. The Group only sources from licensed chemical suppliers. During procurement, suppliers are required to provide the Material Safety Data Sheet which specifies the characteristics, dangers, safety precautions and emergency measures of the hazardous chemicals.

The Group keeps all hazardous chemicals away from fire while good ventilation of warehouses is maintained, and approval is required before any operation that may involve fire. The storage spot is also aloof from non-explosion-proof electrical appliances, power switches, electric sockets and wires. Any trial, welding, oxy-fuel cutting or any other activities that may cause conflagration are strictly prohibited.

In addition, training on the potential hazards of the chemicals and knowledge related to chemical hazardous warning signals are conducted for the employees working in the testing centre who are prone to handle the hazardous chemicals. Operators and managers are allowed to perform their duty only if they passed the assessment about the dangers of hazardous chemicals, relevant rule of law, safety precautions and emergency measures, while stock keepers are required to pass the assessment on fire safety.

Employee Engagement and Open Working Environment

Solomon Systech promotes a culture of honest and transparent communication to create an open and collaborative work environment that increases job satisfaction. The Group uses the intranet as a key platform to disseminate information about corporate strategy, activities, events and achievements. Also, there is a direct communication email platform, namely the "CEO Mailbox" to encourage anonymous communications between individual employees and the chief executive officer.

The Group advocates sharing and interactive communications among employees to foster collective creativity and a long-term commitment to Solomon Systech. All departments are encouraged to hold information-sharing sessions and departmental gatherings.

FOSTER CONTINUOUS TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Building a professional and competent team is the key to maintaining the overall competitiveness of the Group. As a technology company, the Group actively invests in employee training and helping employees to develop their core skills and expertise. Committed to unleashing the full potential of the Group's employees, the Group provides a wide range of training courses and workshops to employees (including Orientation, Quality and Environmental Management System Introduction, 6 Sigma Quality Training, Technical Sharing, Ethics at Work and Health Talks), and strive to ensure that they become continuous learners with enhanced capabilities to create and innovate according to the Group's development objectives, the latest industry standards and knowledge and management goals. Apart from in-house training, the Group has also encouraged and sponsored employees to take external job-related courses.

In 2024, the Group dedicated a total of approximately 6,603.35 hours (2023: approximately 10,354.05 hours) to both in-house and external training and development, covering technical and soft skill training. In 2024, the overall training percentage¹³ of the Group was approximately 68.84% (2023: approximately 75.84%) and the average training hours per employee¹⁴ was approximately 15.95 hours (2023: approximately 24.77 hours). A summary of the Group's training statistics is presented as follows:

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Indicator	Percentage of Trained Employees ¹⁵ (%)	Average Training Hours ¹⁶ (Hours)	Percentage of Trained ¹⁵ Employees (%)	Average Training Hours ¹⁶ (Hours)
By Gender				
Male	66.03	9.69	75.58	15.37
Female	73.68	26.74	76.25	39.93
By Employee Category				
Product Development	71.77	10.77	85.06	13.03
Quality and Manufacturing	73.75	42.54	73.26	76.52
Others	55.81	6.16	53.85	6.97

Notes:

- 13. The overall training percentage is calculated by dividing the total number of employees who took part in training during the reporting period by the total number of employees as at the end of the reporting period, covering the existing and resigned employees.
- 14. The average training hours per employee is calculated by dividing the total number of training hours during the reporting period by the total number of employees as at the end of the reporting period, covering the existing and resigned employees.
- 15. The percentage of trained employees by category is calculated by dividing the number of employees in the specific category who took part in training during the reporting period by the total number of employees in the specific category as at the end of the reporting period, covering the existing and resigned employees.
- 16. The average training hours by category is calculated by dividing the number of training hours for employees in the specific category during the reporting period by the number of employees in the specific category as at the end of the reporting period, covering existing and resigned employees.



Breakdown of Employees Trained by Gender ¹⁷

Note:

17. The breakdown of employees trained by category is calculated by dividing the number of employees in the specific category who took part in training during the reporting period by the total number of employees who took part in training during the reporting period.

RESPECT LABOUR AND HUMAN RIGHTS

The Group strictly prohibits the recruitment of child labour and forced labour as defined by laws and regulations. The Group has formulated Protection System for Female Workers and Minor (《女工和未成年人保護制度》) according to relevant laws and regulations. At the same time, the Group has established a well-defined recruitment process which examines the background of candidates and a formal reporting procedure for handling any exception. During the recruitment process, personal data of the candidates, including age, is collected and verified against the identity documents of the candidates. If an employee suspects child or forced labour, the employee should report to the department head or executive director. Once the Group discovers any case which fails to conform to the relevant labour laws, regulations or standards, the relevant employment contract will be immediately terminated.

In 2024, the Group was not aware of any material non-compliance with child and forced labour-related laws and regulations that would have a significant impact on the Group, including but not limited to the Employment Ordinance (Cap.57) of Hong Kong, the Labour Law of the People's Republic of China and the Labour Standards Act of Taiwan.

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SUSTAINABLE OPERATING PRACTICES

SUSTAINABLE SUPPLY CHAIN

Supplier Assessment Framework

The Group recognises the importance of supply chain management practices in mitigating environmental and social risks, as well as sustaining its business operations and development. Solomon Systech prioritises engagement with suppliers who can demonstrate their commitment to not only offering high-quality products, but also improving sustainable performance in the social and environmental aspects. As part of its commitment to product quality, the Group has also developed a comprehensive Supplier Quality Management System, covering the entire product life, from careful selection of suppliers, regular product inspection, process control to supplier evaluation, ensuring that its suppliers deliver high-quality products and services.

Prior to developing formal business relationships, relevant departments of the Group will evaluate potential candidates according to their corresponding operational needs, as well as the business status, operating practices, and product characteristics of the supplier. Under the Group's standardised procurement procedure, the responsibility of each department is as follows:

	Relevant Departments	Responsibilities
	Purchasing Department	 Responsible for identifying qualified suppliers and regular supplier evaluation Communicate the quality and environmental requirements of purchased products to suppliers Retain records of supplier and purchasing information
	Quality Assurance Department	 Ensure raw materials, outsourced processed goods, production auxiliary materials and packaging materials are up to quality standards Collaborate with the Purchasing Department for supplier evaluation
	Finance Department	 Review all documents related to procurement, including procurement budgets Ensure compliance with internal control policies

Meanwhile, to manage potential environmental and social risks in its supply chain, the Group has established a stringent procurement system which is formally documented in the Procurement Policy. The policy stipulates a standardised procurement process, the selection criteria of suppliers, supplier evaluation and other relevant practices relating to engaging suppliers. Additionally, to fulfil the aim of environmental sustainability in supply chain management, the Group prioritises the procurement of environmentally friendly products where possible and financially viable.

The Group's employees should adhere strictly to principles stated in the Code of Conduct to ensure that the suppliers and distributors could compete in an open and fair way. The Group does not differentiate or discriminate against certain suppliers and it strictly monitors and prevents all kinds of business bribery. Employees or personnel who have an interest relationship with the supplier will not be allowed to be involved in the related business activity.

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The Group engages suppliers to manufacture, assemble and test its designed products. In 2024, the Group had a total of 41 suppliers and subcontractors (2023: 45), all of which have undergone the standardised procurement process. The number of suppliers by geographic region is as follows:



Note:

18. This data cover only suppliers of the Group who have been involved in its key business activities, including manufacturing, assembling and testing of IC products.

Supplier Quality Management

The Group is aware of its ability to influence environmental and social performance not only within its operations but also throughout its value chain and investment decisions. In order to minimise the potential impact of the Group's supply chain on the environment, the Group has formulated Internal and External Environment Identification, Evaluation and Risk and Opportunity Evaluation and Response Plan (《內部和外部環境識別、評價及風險與機遇應對策劃》). For a product to be compliant, its raw materials and constituent components must be compliant. Therefore, all of the suppliers are required to conduct laboratory analysis of raw materials supplied and sign an Environmental Requirements Warranty Letter to ensure their raw materials and the manufacturing processes comply with international environmental standards.

To mitigate environmental risks associated with electronic and electrical waste management, the Group implements a comprehensive approach along its supply chain, striving for zero environmental complaints. In particular for distribution to the EU market, it is essential to ensure compliance with the Restrictions on the Use of Hazardous Substance ("**ROHS**") and regulation on Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals ("**REACH**"). Suppliers are obliged to assure that all products shipping to the Group, especially packing and label materials, are halogen free, in which the concentration of specified heavy metals shall be limited. To facilitate ongoing monitoring, suppliers are required to provide updated substance test reports annually. Yearly sampling tests and REACH surveys are conducted on suppliers to verify compliance. The Group also exercises due diligence within its supply chain on the source of conflict minerals used in its IC products by requiring all suppliers to complete the Conflict Minerals Reporting, thereby ensuring adherence to regulatory requirements.

To ensure the credibility of the suppliers and their performance, the Group managed and monitored suppliers by conducting supplier ratings, quality reviews and audits. The Group has also established Control of Subcontracted Manufacturing specifying that evaluation shall be performed on the basis of their ability to meet the requirements in terms of customer run-rate, price, technology, cost, device size, development cost, profitability, timing, capacity, service and any specific quality assurance requirements. Moreover, according to the Supply Management Procedure, the Group also conducts quality reviews annually with its suppliers who supply over 30% of any specific materials or services in order to identify any potential environmental and social risks. Manufacturing supplier audits are conducted for suppliers to evaluate their qualifications on various environmental and social aspects on a regular basis. The Group also assesses suppliers' sustainability performance through its business scorecard. Site audits will be conducted with suppliers based on the rating on the scorecard, and also when any issues or problems arise regarding the quality of products.

Despite of the assessed low risk level, the Group strives to maintain a stable and flexible supply chain and minimise the risk of supply chain interruption caused by critical events such as pandemics and natural disasters. Therefore, the Group has set up a supply chain contingency plan to manage the event of supply interruption. The Group has maintained multiple supply sources with an Alternate Site Matrix for high run-rate items. Meanwhile, for sole-source items, the Group has always maintained an inventory buffer against supply chain disruption which is reviewed monthly. In the event of disruption of transportation of goods, alternative route would be arranged with logistic vendors in order to minimise the impact to scheduled delivery. Every incident of supply chain disruption is duly recorded for future review.

To assure that the product can be produced at a high-quality level on a continual basis, all of the Group's suppliers are expected to comply with relevant local laws and also the international quality and environmental management standards that the Group has attained. As stated in the Group's Supply Management Procedure, suppliers are expected to have ISO14001 certification (or equivalent) or have a formal and documented EMS that fulfils the Supply Management requirement listed in the Control of Subcontracted Manufacturing as a minimum. In 2024, 100% of the Group's major suppliers (2023: 100%) have achieved ISO9001 Quality Management Certification and ISO14001 Environmental Management Certification.

PRODUCT RESPONSIBILITY

The Group is committed to providing the highest quality of products and services to its customers and actively safeguards the quality of its products with the internal control process as stated in the Quality and Environmental Manual. The Group maintains ongoing communication with customers to ensure understanding and satisfaction of their demands and expectations, and to improve its service quality. Under the Core Operation Procedure, environmental aspects are integrated into new product development process by balancing ecological and economic considerations. The Group also keeps track of international treaties, local and foreign laws and regulations that are relevant to its products in places where its business operates as well as regularly updates its management policies governing products and services in terms of health, safety, labels, privacy, and other areas.

In 2024, the Group was not aware of any material non-compliance with any laws and regulations in relation to health and safety, advertising, labelling and privacy matters relating to products and services and methods of redress that would have a significant impact on the Group, including but not limited to the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap.486) and the Copyright Ordinance (Cap.528), the Trade Descriptions Ordinance (Cap.362) of Hong Kong, the Law of the People's Republic of China on the Protection of Consumer Rights and Interests, the Product Quality Law of the People's Republic of China and the Consumer Protection Act of Taiwan.

Quality Assurance

The IC design operation of the Group comprises the design of IC and the development of application systems. The Group is not directly involved in aspects such as manufacturing and assembling, albeit adhering to the tenet of "zero defect" in provision of products and services to customers. The Group advocates comprehensive quality management with the involvement of all staff, striving to control and improve continuously the entire process of production of products. The Group's quality and environmental management system ("**QEMS**") is based on the adoption of PDCA cycle (Plan-Do-Check-Act) to achieve the intended outcomes, including enhancing the quality and environmental performance, establishing, implementing, maintaining and continually improving the QEMS.

The Group has established corresponding management measures for aspects such as product design and development, risk control, outsourcing production control, and performance evaluation, in accordance with the requirements of ISO9001 Quality Management System, so as to meet the market demands for diversification, personalisation and refinement through systematic management. Regular inspections of final products by sampling are also conducted to ensure our products meet the legal and customers' requirements.

For substandard products found during operation, the Group will deal with the substandard products in accordance with the requirements of the internal procedures, while arrangements will be made for the responsible departments to analyse the reason for the generation of substandard products, formulate rectification and preventive measures, and be responsible to follow up on their implementation and the effectiveness of these measures. In 2024, there was no record of any material recall of the Group's products sold or delivered due to safety and health concerns.

Customer Service and Satisfaction

Maintaining excellent customer service and high satisfaction rate are of utmost importance when measuring the Group's product quality. With regard to customers, the Group has in place well-established working instructions and a two-level system to encourage communication with customers, and to ensure efficient handling of customer enquiries and requests for material returns. The first level is for customer incidents ("**CI**") which focus on the investigation and handling of customer enquiries or complaints. The Group targets to complete each CI with investigation report generated within 7 days of the customer enquiries or complaints. The second level is for return material requests through which the Group handled valid CIs that lead to the return of materials. In 2024, the Group received 1 complaint that was related to the Group's products and services (2023: 1). In response to the complaint about quantity mismatch issue between tray labels and box labels, we implemented a program for automatic detection of such discrepancies. This system prompts a warning message and halts lot movement if a mismatch is detected, ensuring accuracy and preventing further errors.

The Group also conducts customer satisfaction survey ("**CSS**") annually to closely monitor its performance in terms of product development, logistics arrangement, services, quality and price. During 2024, the Group conducted the CSS with customers in different regions and achieved a customer satisfaction rate of 84%.

Protecting IP Rights

The proper handling and dissemination of inside information is one of the key considerations in assessing the effectiveness of Solomon Systech's risk management and internal control. With regard to the protection of proprietary information, the Group has in place the Protection and Proprietary Information Policy which aims to identify, classify and protect information that is confidential or sensitive from inadvertent or unauthorised disclosure, theft, fraud, misappropriation and loss. The policy is posted on the Group's internal intranet site for easy access of employees.

IP rights contribute significantly to a company's assets and market value, in particular to a technology company like Solomon Systech. To encourage patent development to reduce IP risk and strengthen its IP portfolio, Solomon Systech has set up Intellectual Property Incentive Program and Patent Granted Award to acknowledge patent inventors. The Patent Committee of the Group is responsible for evaluating new patent applications with respect to development status, IP status, market potential, market maturity, and competing technologies. It also works with a patent attorney on patent applications to facilitate the process.

As at 31 December 2024, the Group is in possession of over 479 patent rights granted worldwide covering various display design and application areas, and 201 patent rights are in the process of application.

Customer Data Protection and Privacy Policies

Solomon Systech is practicing a business-to-business model which targets display module makers and electronic devices manufacturers instead of the consumer market, the Group has formulated the Protection and Proprietary Information Policy focusing on protecting business-related information, confidential and proprietary information or trade secrets. Placing strong emphasis on privacy and information confidentiality, the Group has incorporated clauses and signed non-disclosure agreements with its business partners and customers to safeguard data privacy and security. The Group has also taken appropriate steps to ensure security controls and measures are in place to prevent any unauthorised access to personal data. Access to any sensitive and personal information is restricted to only designated personnel. The Group will only keep the personal data of customers as long as necessary to fulfil the purpose for which the data was collected unless the personal data is also retained to satisfy any applicable statutory or contractual obligations. Personal data which are no longer required will be destroyed.

By signing the confidentiality contract, employees confirm that they would not disclose any information and trade secrets. Employees undertake to do their best to prevent any unauthorised access, use, publication or disclosure of trade secret or confidential information related to the business and finance of the Group. Employees violating the confidentiality undertakings are subject to disciplinary actions including summary dismissal.

Advertising and Labelling

The Group realises the importance of advertising and labelling to enable its products to stand out in the market and, more importantly, provide accurate information to consumers. The Group abides by the relevant laws and regulations, including but not limited to the Trade Descriptions Ordinance (Cap. 362) of Hong Kong. During the Reporting Year, the Group was not aware of any material non-compliance cases in relation to advertising and labelling matters that would have a significant impact on the Group.

BUSINESS ETHICS AND BUSINESS CONDUCT

The Group upholds a zero-tolerance approach to bribery and corruption and is committed to acting professionally, fairly and with integrity in its businesses. The Group's Code of Conduct and Anti-Fraud Policy Group has outlined relevant procedures to guide employees in preventing possible violations of bribery, corruption and conflicts of interest. The Group also established the Entertainment and Gift Policies to provide guidelines regarding the administration of entertainment and gifts offering for business purposes. The Group specifically stipulates that employees must discharge their duties with loyalty and integrity, and shall not abuse their positions to seek any improper interests.

In 2024, the Group was not aware of any material non-compliance with related laws and regulations of bribery, extortion, fraud and money laundering that would have a significant impact on the Group, including but not limited to the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance (Cap. 201 of the Laws of Hong Kong), the Criminal Law of the People's Republic of China and the Anti-corruption Act of Taiwan. Meanwhile, there were no concluded legal cases regarding corrupt practices brought against the Group or its employees in 2024 (2023: Nil).

Whistle-blowing Mechanism

The Group has established a complete whistle-blowing mechanism and implemented the Whistleblowing Policy. The Group encourages all stakeholders to report on any possible fraudulent, economic extortion, and illegal activities related to its business by submitting a written report to the Audit Committee regarding the suspected misconduct with supporting evidence. The Group will conduct a thorough investigation if necessary, upon making a preliminary analysis on the report.

Internally, employees are encouraged to report on any possible improprieties, misconducts, malpractices or irregularities to their supervisors. Supervisors must maintain confidentiality and report matters related to corrupt or criminal conduct, criminal involvement or serious improper conduct to the Anti-Fraud Management Team ("**AFM Team**") within one working day their acquiring knowledge of the matters or, in cases where this is not practicable, as soon as possible. The AFM Team is formed by the Executive Director, Finance Director, Head of Operations, Human Resources Director and Planning & Customer Service Director and responsible for the control and administration of the Group's Anti-Fraud policy.

The Group intends to protect the whistle-blower from common concerns such as potential retaliation. Therefore, the employee reporting in good faith under the whistle-blowing mechanism can be assured of the protection against unfair dismissal or victimisation, even if the reports are subsequently proved to be unsubstantiated.

Anti-corruption Training

Recognising that anti-corruption training is essential for creating a healthy corporate culture, the Group has established guidelines for gift handling and has provided relevant training to Directors and employees. The Group strives to cultivate good professional ethics among personnel at all levels. In 2024, 6 (2023: 7) Directors and 33 (2023: 49) employees of the Group received approximately 38.5 hours (2023: 60 hours) of anti-corruption training in total by attending annual seminars on anti-corruption-related legislation with case study and best practices. In addition, the Group strives to strengthen compliance training and encourages employees to actively explore the latest developments and future trends of global anti-corruption and compliance work.

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COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

The Group is committed to emboldening and supporting the public through various means of social participation and contribution as part of its strategic development. It has established the Donation Policy to ensure all donations made by or on behalf of Solomon Systech align with its code of conduct and ethics. The Group has also formulated the Community Engagement Policy on community investment to encourage employees to actively participate in their communities and positively impact the quality of life within these communities. Through active involvement in various community initiatives, the Group underscores its commitment to fostering meaningful change in both societal and environmental realms.

In 2024, the Group demonstrated its commitment to community engagement and sustainable development through various impactful initiatives. With total proceeds exceeding HK\$120,000 for charity and close to HK\$10,000 spent on environmental education, the Group has supported a number of impactful activities. Notable contributions included establishing mobile libraries in Taiwan, participating in food poverty relief efforts in Hong Kong, supporting wildlife conservation, and donating to sight-restoring programs. The Group also promoted electronic waste reduction through equipment donations and supported the humanitarian efforts of the Hong Kong Red Cross. These activities highlight the Group's dedication to social responsibility and environmental stewardship.

MAJOR COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATED IN 2024

"eRead for the Future" Project

In its third year to support E Ink Holdings'"eRead for the Future" Project, the Group helped establish mobile libraries for 40 elementary schools in Yunlin County of Taiwan as one of the sponsors of the e-book procurement (with sponsorship amount of NT\$300,000). In collaboration with 21 e-paper ecosystem partner companies including E Ink Holdings, Netronix Inc., Readmoo, Ubright Optronics – Zhunan, Fitipower, Xuan Tong System Integration, G-Tech Optoelectronics, Corning Taiwan, Marketech International Corp., L&L Interiors Inc., Kuen Yuh Machinery Engineering, Himax Technologies, Global Lighting Technologies, Jhen Jhuan Co., Innolux, Elan Microelectronics, DarSheng Mechanical Engineering, Integrated Solutions Technology, Ushine Photonics, Lian Cang Jiao Tong, and Lee Ming Construction, a total of 1,024 color e-book readers and over 110,000 e-books (each reader contains 108 quality e-books for lower, middle and upper grades), with a total value of nearly NT\$30 million were donated. The e-books will benefit more than 15,000 students in Yunlin County and enhance their overall learning.

The "eRead for the Future" project provides students with means of eye-friendly digital reading by utilizing the e-paper core technology, e-book readers that are especially devised for reading, and a variety of e-books with rich content. Among the 108 e-books donated to Yunlin County this year, 41 of them were selected based on the main themes of Yunlin County's education guideline – moral education and technological development, as well as the theme of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), while 3 of them are picture e-books about the ecological conservation of Xiangshan Wetland, which were authorized by the Hsinchu City Government.





Feeding Hong Kong Christmas Parcel Packing

As an initiative to help combat food poverty in Hong Kong, a team of volunteers from the Group has participated in a Christmas parcel packing session organized by Feeding Hong Kong, where they helped to sort and pack parcels with long-dated shelf-stable staples tailored for families and seniors in need. With a concerted effort, the team has accomplished the challenging target of packing 500 parcels in total, while they also gained understanding of food banking in Hong Kong.





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WWF Coral Exploration at Hoi Ha Wan

As an initiative to support WWF's efforts in wildlife conservation, as well as to increase our colleagues' knowledge of Hong Kong's natural wonders, the Group has participated in the organisation's "Coral Exploration at Hoi Ha Wan" programme in November 2024, where they have had the chance to hop aboard WWF's glass-bottomed boat to observe vibrant coral communities and marine life at Hoi Ha Wan while learning about their importance.







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Orbis' Charity Merchandise Program

Sharing the festive joy of Mid-Autumn Festival with the staff, the Group has supported Orbis' charity merchandise program by purchasing its charity mooncakes as festive gift. In addition to a purchase amount of over HK\$10,000, the Group also made a donation of HK\$10,000 to Orbis. The proceeds raised will help Orbis' sight-restoring work in developing countries, bringing new hope to thousands of blind people worldwide.



Donation to Caritas Computer Workshop

In support of reuse and recycling, the Group has donated nearly 50 retired desktop computers, along with a number of retired monitors, hard disk drives and television to Caritas Computer Workshop. The donated equipment were then donated or sold at a very low price to the needy by the Workshop. Through this initiative, e-waste can be reduced as the electronic equipment found their second life.

Hong Kong Red Cross "Pass-it-on Campaign 2024" Christmas eCard

In support of the humanitarian works of the Hong Kong Red Cross, the Group has participated in the organisation's "Pass-it-on Campaign 2024" charity sale program by ordering its Christmas eCard. While sending seasonal greetings to the stakeholders, the Group also hoped to bring warmth to the vulnerable people.



AWARDS & RECOGNITION

BOCHK Corporate Low-Carbon Environmental Leadership Awards 2023

The Group was named as an "EcoPartner" at the BOCHK Corporate Low-Carbon Environmental Leadership Awards 2023 by the Federation of Hong Kong Industries for its environmental accomplishment.



Happy Company 2024

The Group was named as a "Happy Company" in the Happiness at Work Promotion Scheme by the Promoting Happiness Index Foundation and The Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong in recognition of the Group's effort in building a pleasant working environment.



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APPENDIX

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1. CONTENT INDEX OF THE ESG REPORTING GUIDE

Mandatory Disclosure	Section/Statement
Governance Structure	Message from the Board, ESG Governance Structure
Reporting Principles	About this ESG Report
Reporting Scope	About this ESG Report

isclosures and KPIs	Description	Section/Statement
A. Environmental Aspect A1: Emissions	General Disclosure	Environmental Protection
	 Information on: (a) the policies; and (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer relating to air and greenhouse gas emissions, discharges into water and land, and generation of hazardous and non-hazardous waste. Note: Air emissions include NOx, SOx, and other pollutants regulated under national laws and regulations. Greenhouse gases include carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons and sulphur hexafluoride. Hazardous wastes are those defined by national regulations. 	
KPI A1.1	The types of emissions and respective emissions data.	Emissions Management
KPI A1.2	Direct (Scope 1) and energy indirect (Scope 2) greenhouse gas emissions (in tonnes) and, where appropriate, intensity (e.g. per unit of production volume, per facility).	GHG Emissions
KPI A1.3	Total hazardous waste produced (in tonnes) and, where appropriate, intensity (e.g. per unit of production volume, per facility).	Waste Management
KPI A1.4	Total non-hazardous waste produced (in tonnes) and, where appropriate, intensity (e.g. per unit of production volume, per facility).	Waste Management
KPI A1.5	Description of emissions target(s) set and steps taken to achieve them.	Environmental Targets; Emissions Management

Subject Areas, Aspects, General Disclosures and KPIs	Description	Section/Statement
A. Environmental		
KPI A1.6	Description of how hazardous and non-hazardous wastes are handled, and a description of reduction target(s) set and steps taken to achieve them.	Environmental Targets; Waste Management
Aspect A2: Use of Resources	General Disclosure Policies on the efficient use of resources, including energy, water and other raw materials.	Resource Utilisation
KPI A2.1	Direct and/or indirect energy consumption by type (e.g. electricity, gas or oil) in total (kWh in '000s) and intensity (e.g. per unit of production volume, per facility).	Energy Consumption
KPI A2.2	Water consumption in total and intensity (e.g. per unit of production volume, per facility).	Water Consumption
KPI A2.3	Description of energy use efficiency target(s) set and steps taken to achieve them.	Environmental Targets; Energy Consumption
KPI A2.4	Description of whether there is any issue in sourcing water that is fit for purpose, water efficiency target(s) set and steps taken to achieve them.	Environmental Targets; Water Consumption
KPI A2.5	Total packaging material used for finished products (in tonnes) and, if applicable, with reference to per unit produced.	Use of Packaging Material
Aspect A3: The Environment and Natural Resources	General Disclosure Policies on minimising the issuer's significant impacts on the environment and natural resources.	The Environmental and Natural Resources
KPI A3.1	Description of the significant impacts of activities on the environment and natural resources and the actions taken to manage them.	Green Operations, Design to Minimise Environmental Impact
Aspect A4: Climate Change	General Disclosure Policies on identification and mitigation of significant climate- related issues which have impacted, and those which may impact, the issuer.	Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation
KPI A4.1	Description of the significant climate-related issues which have impacted, and those which may impact, the issuer, and the actions taken to manage them.	Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation

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Subject Areas, Aspects, Genera Disclosures and	(Pls Description	Section/Statement
B. Social		
Aspect B1: Employment	General Disclosure Information on: (a) the policies; and (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that h significant impact on the issuer relating to compensation and dismissal, recruitment and prom working hours, rest periods, equal opportunity, diversity, discrimination, and other benefits and welfare.	notion,
KPI B1.1	Total workforce by gender, employment type (for example, for part-time), age group and geographical region.	iull- or Recruitment, Promotion and Dismissal
KPI B1.2	Employee turnover rate by gender, age group and geograp region.	phical Recruitment, Promotion and Dismissal
Aspect B2: Health and Safe	General Disclosure Information on: (a) the policies; and (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that h significant impact on the issuer relating to providing a safe working environment and prote employees from occupational hazards.	
KPI B2.1	Number and rate of work-related fatalities occurred in each past three years including the reporting year.	of the Provide a Safe and Healthy Work Environment
KPI B2.2	Lost days due to work injury.	Provide a Safe and Healthy Work Environment
KPI B2.3	Description of occupational health and safety measures add and how they are implemented and monitored.	opted, Occupational Safety Management

Aspects, General Disclosures and KPIs	Description	Section/Statement
B. Social		
Aspect B3: Development and Training	General Disclosure Policies on improving employees' knowledge and skills for discharging duties at wask. Description of training activities	Foster Continuous Training and Development
	discharging duties at work. Description of training activities. Note: Training refers to vocational training. It may include internal and external courses paid by the employer.	
KPI B3.1	The percentage of employees trained by gender and employee category (e.g. senior management, middle management).	Foster Continuous Training and Development
KPI B3.2	Foster Continuous Training and Development	
Aspect B4: Labour Standards	 General Disclosure Information on: (a) the policies; and (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer relating to preventing child and forced labour. 	Respect Labour and Human Rights
KPI B4.1	Description of measures to review employment practices to avoid child and forced labour.	Respect Labour and Human Rights
KPI B4.2	Description of steps taken to eliminate such practices when discovered.	Respect Labour and Human Rights
Aspect B5: Supply Chain Management	General Disclosure Policies on managing environmental and social risks of the supply chain.	Sustainable Supply Chain
KPI B5.1	Number of suppliers by geographical region.	Supplier Assessment Framewo
KPI B5.2	Description of practices relating to engaging suppliers, number of suppliers where the practices are being implemented, and how they are implemented and monitored.	Supplier Assessment Framewo
KPI B5.3	Description of practices used to identify environmental and social risks along the supply chain, and how they are implemented and monitored.	Supplier Quality Management
KPI B5.4	Description of practices used to promote environmentally preferable products and services when selecting suppliers, and how they are implemented and monitored.	Supplier Assessment Framewo

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Aspects, General Disclosures and KPIs	Description	Section/Statement
B. Social		
Aspect B6: Product Responsibility	 General Disclosure Information on: (a) the policies; and (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer relating to health and safety, advertising, labelling and privacy matters relating to products and services provided and methods of redress. 	Product Responsibility
KPI B6.1	Percentage of total products sold or shipped subject to recalls for safety and health reasons.	Quality Assurance
KPI B6.2	Number of products and service related complaints received and how they are dealt with.	Customer Service and Satisfaction
KPI B6.3	Description of practices relating to observing and protecting intellectual property rights.	Protecting IP Rights
KPI B6.4	Description of quality assurance process and recall procedures.	Quality Assurance
KPI B6.5	Description of consumer data protection and privacy policies, and how they are implemented and monitored.	Customer Data Protection and Privacy Policies
Aspect B7: Anti-corruption	General Disclosure Information on: (a) the policies; and (b) compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the issuer relating to bribery, extortion, fraud and money laundering.	Business Ethics and Business Conduct
KPI B7.1	Number of concluded legal cases regarding corrupt practices brought against the issuer or its employees during the reporting period and the outcomes of the cases.	
KPI B7.2	Description of preventive measures and whistle-blowing procedures, and how they are implemented and monitored.	Whistle-blowing Mechanism
KPI B7.3	Description of anti-corruption training provided to directors and	Anti-corruption Training

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Subject Areas, Aspects, General Disclosures and KPIs Description		Section/Statement	
B. Social			
Aspect B8: General Disclosure Community Policies on community engagement to understand the needs of t communities where the issuer operates and to ensure its activities take into consideration the communities' interests.		Community Investment	
KPI B8.1	Focus areas of contribution (e.g. education, environmental concerns, labour needs, health, culture, sport).	Community Investment	
KPI B8.2	Resources contributed (e.g. money or time) to the focus area.	Major Community Activities Participated in 2024	

2. MANAGEMENT SYSTEM CERTIFICATION AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE COMPLIANCE

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IS09001:2015	Quality Management System
ISO140001:2015	EMS
RoHs	Restrictions on the Use of Hazardous Substance

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3. GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE AND COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD & COMMITTEES

The Group has established six governance committees. The composition of the Board and committees are listed as follows:

	Position	The Board	Audit Committee	Remuneration Committee	Nomination Committee	Investment Committee	
Mr. Ma Yuchuan	Chairman and Non-executive Director	с С		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	C	~	
Mr. Wang Wah Chi, Raymond	Chief Executive Officer and Non-executive Director	\checkmark				С	
Dr. Kang Jian (resigned with effect from 13 May 2024)	Non-executive Director	\checkmark	~				E
Ms. Liu Fei (appointed with effect from 13 May 2024)	Non-executive Director	\checkmark	~				
Mr. Wang Hui	Non-executive Director	\checkmark		✓		~	
Mr. Chan Chi Kong	Independent Non-executive Director	\checkmark	С			\checkmark	Ó
Dr. Kwok Hoi Sing	Independent Non-executive Director	\checkmark		√	~		
Dr. Chan Philip Ching Ho	Independent Non-executive Director	\checkmark	~	C	~	~	

	Position	Task Force	AFM Team	
Mr. Wang Wah Chi, Raymond	Executive Director	С	C	
Mr. Yu Chon Man	Finance Director & Company Secretary	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Ms. Lo Oi Yee, Mabel	Human Resources Director	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Mr. Wong Ka Kei	Planning & Customer Service Director	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Ms. Caley Chan	Corporate Communications Manager	~		

C Chairman

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4. MAJOR OPERATING SUBSIDIARIES

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	Place of registration/ incorporation and kind of legal entity	Principal activities and place of operation
Solomon Systech Limited	Hong Kong, China, LLC*	Design, development, sales of IC and system solutions, Hong Kong
Jing Guang Semiconductors (Dongguan) Limited	China, LLC	Testing and packing of IC, Mainland China
Solomon Systech (Shenzhen) Limited	China, LLC	Design and distribution of IC, Mainland China
Solomon Systech Taiwan Limited	Taiwan, China, LLC	Design and development of IC, Taiwan
Solomon Systech (China) Limited	China, LLC	Design and distribution of IC, Mainland China

* LLC: Limited Liability Company



CORPORATE AND SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION

Financial Calendar

Financial Year End 31 December

Announcement of Annual Results 20 March 2025

Share Listing

Listing Venue and Date Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited 8 April 2004

HKSE Stock Code 2878

Board Lot 2,000 shares

Trading Currency HKD

Issued Shares 2,497,752,351 (as at 31 December 2024)

Principal Share Registrar and Transfer Agent

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Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar

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Non-executive Directors

Mr. Ma Yuchuan (Chairman) Mr. Wang Hui Dr. Kang Jian (resigned with effect from 13 May 2024) Ms. Liu Fei (appointed on 13 May 2024)

Independent Non-executive Directors

Mr. Chan Chi Kong Dr. Chan Philip Ching Ho Dr. Kwok Hoi Sing

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