

Emirates Investment Bank P.J.S.C.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 DECEMBER 2014

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

For the year ended 31 December 2014

The Directors are pleased to place before the shareholders of Emirates Investment Bank PJSC ("Bank") the Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2014.

During the past few years, the Bank has been repositioning itself with the objective of becoming a leading private and investment banking boutique serving a select client base of high net worth individuals and institutional clients. During 2014, we continued to execute on this strategy while simultaneously building the infrastructure required for growth.

The Bank closed 2014 with an annual net profit of AED 46.2 million, an increase of 28% over the previous year (AED 36.2 million), while maintaining a healthy Capital Adequacy Ratio at 15.10% (Tier I Adequacy Ratio of 13.55%). Over this period, customer deposits grew by 78% to reach AED 2,985 million (AED 1,675 million in 2013), while total balance sheet assets reached AED 3,505 million, an increase of 26% over the previous year (AED 2,775 million).

Notably, the value of fiduciary assets under the Bank's management grew by 183% to AED 4,215 million (AED 1,488 million in 2013) for a total assets under management of AED 7,720 million (AED 4,263 million in 2013).

It is proposed that this year's profit be appropriated as follows:

	AED
- Transfer to legal reserve in accordance with the requirements of Article 58(1) of the Articles of association of the Bank	2,500,000
- Transfer to special reserve in accordance with the requirements of Article 58(2) of the Articles of association of the Bank	4,623,400
- Stock Dividend: 7.692% of Paid up Capital	5,000,000

As we continue our journey to build a leading private and investment banking boutique, we extend our gratitude to our clients for their support and to our staff for their dedication and hard work.

Board of Directors
3 February 2014

Dubai, United Arab Emirates



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF EMIRATES INVESTMENT BANK P.J.S.C.

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Emirates Investment Bank P.J.S.C. (the "Bank"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2014 and the statements of income, comprehensive income, cash flows and changes in equity for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, applicable provisions of the articles of association of the Bank, the UAE Commercial Companies Law of 1984 (as amended) and Federal Law No. 10 of 1980, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

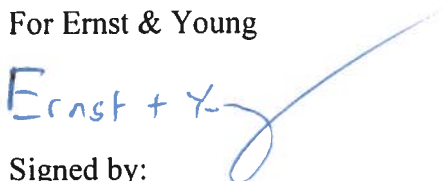
In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Bank as of 31 December 2014, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF
EMIRATES INVESTMENT BANK P.J.S.C. (continued)**

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

We also confirm that, in our opinion, the financial statements include, in all material respects, the applicable requirements of the UAE Commercial Companies Law of 1984 (as amended), Federal Law No. 10 of 1980 and the applicable provisions of the articles of association of the Bank; proper books of account have been kept by the Bank and the contents of the Directors' report relating to these financial statements are consistent with the books of account. We have obtained all the information and explanations which we required for the purpose of our audit and, to the best of our knowledge and belief, no violations of the UAE Commercial Companies Law of 1984 (as amended), Federal Law No. 10 of 1980 or of the articles of association of the Bank have occurred during the year which would have had a material effect on the business of the Bank or on its financial position.

For Ernst & Young



Signed by:

Anthony O'Sullivan
Partner
Registration No. 687

3 February 2014

Dubai, United Arab Emirates

INCOME STATEMENT

Year ended 31 December 2014

	<i>Notes</i>	<i>2014 AED'000</i>	<i>2013 AED'000</i>
Interest income	4	34,141	2,405
Net income from investments	5	93,785	103,933
		<u>127,926</u>	<u>106,338</u>
Interest expense		(41,926)	(38,522)
NET INTEREST INCOME AND NET INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS		86,000	67,816
Other income	6	18,334	10,371
Exchange gain - net		6,351	383
OPERATING INCOME		110,685	78,570
General and administrative expenses	7	(51,885)	(35,417)
Impairment loss on available-for-sale investments		(4,556)	-
Impairment loss on investments carried at cost		(40)	(5,424)
Impairment loss on loans and advances	11	(7,970)	(1,500)
OPERATING EXPENSES		(64,451)	(42,341)
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		46,234	36,229
BASIC AND DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE	8	71.13	55.74

The attached notes 1 to 27 form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Year ended 31 December 2014

	<i>Note</i>	2014 AED'000	2013 AED'000
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		46,234	36,229
Other comprehensive income			
Net unrealised gain on available-for-sale investments		17,527	15,769
Net realised gain transferred to income statement on disposal of available-for-sale investments	5	(33,172)	(33,329)
Impairment of available-for-sale investments recognised in income statement		4,556	-
Other comprehensive loss for the year		(11,089)	(17,560)
Total comprehensive income for the year		35,145	18,669

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Emirates Investment Bank P.J.S.C.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2014

	Notes	2014 AED'000	2013 AED'000
ASSETS			
Cash and balances with UAE Central Bank	9	236,787	69,179
Due from banks	10	1,042,798	235,951
Loans and advances, net	11	573,251	108,778
Investments	12	1,628,693	2,328,275
Investment in an associate	13	72	72
Property and equipment	14	4,834	4,874
Other assets	15	18,343	28,088
TOTAL ASSETS		3,504,778	2,775,217
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
LIABILITIES			
Due to banks	16	130,883	765,286
Customer deposits		2,985,063	1,675,112
Other liabilities	17	49,093	30,225
TOTAL LIABILITIES		3,165,039	2,470,623
EQUITY			
Share capital	18	65,000	60,000
Legal reserve	18	32,500	30,000
Special reserve	18	28,984	24,361
Cumulative changes in fair values		52,248	63,337
Retained earnings		161,007	126,896
TOTAL EQUITY		339,739	304,594
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		3,504,778	2,775,217

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 3 February 2015 and signed on its behalf by:


 Omar Abdulla Al Futtaim
 (Chairman)


 Buti Obaid Al Mulla
 (Director)

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended 31 December 2014

	<i>Notes</i>	2014 AED'000	2013 AED'000
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Profit for the year		46,234	36,229
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation	14	1,491	1,139
Loss / (gain) on sale of property and equipment		1	(31)
Impairment loss on available-for-sale investments		4,556	-
Impairment loss on investments carried at cost	12	40	5,424
Impairment loss on loans and advances		7,970	1,500
Changes in due from banks with original maturities of over three months		-	39,000
Changes in due to banks with original maturities of over three months		(486,857)	119,061
Change in loans and advances		(472,443)	(91,620)
Change in other assets		9,745	(8,272)
Change in investments (net)		683,897	(639,368)
Change in customers' deposits		1,309,951	871,872
Change in other liabilities		18,868	(5,001)
Net cash from operating activities		<u>1,123,453</u>	<u>329,933</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of property and equipment	14	(1,452)	(4,553)
Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment		-	35
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(1,452)</u>	<u>(4,518)</u>
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Dividend paid	19	-	(5,500)
Net cash used in financing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>(5,500)</u>
INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		1,122,001	319,915
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January		<u>83,632</u>	<u>(236,283)</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 31 DECEMBER		<u>1,205,633</u>	<u>83,632</u>
Cash and cash equivalents comprise the following amounts in the statement of financial position with original maturities of three months or less:			
Cash and balances with Central Bank		236,787	69,179
Due from banks		1,042,798	235,951
Due to banks		(73,952)	(221,498)
		<u>1,205,633</u>	<u>83,632</u>
Operational cash flows from interest and dividends			
Interest paid		29,955	29,271
Interest received (including from investments)		82,712	52,735
Dividend received		19,422	17,185

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Year ended 31 December 2014

	Share capital AED '000	Legal reserve AED '000	Special reserve AED '000	Cumulative changes in fair values AED '000	Retained earnings AED '000	Total AED '000
At 1 January 2014	60,000	30,000	24,361	63,337	126,896	304,594
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	46,234	46,234
Other comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	-	(11,089)	-	(11,089)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	(11,089)	46,234	35,145
Transfers	-	2,500	4,623	-	(7,123)	-
Scrip dividend – relating to 2013 (note 19)	5,000	-	-	-	(5,000)	-
Balance at 31 December 2014	65,000	32,500	28,984	52,248	161,007	339,739

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Year ended 31 December 2014

	Share capital AED '000	Legal reserve AED '000	Special reserve AED '000	Cumulative changes in fair values AED '000	Retained earnings AED '000	Total AED '000
At 1 January 2013	55,000	27,330	20,738	80,897	107,460	291,425
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	36,229	36,229
Other comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	-	(17,560)	-	(17,560)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	(17,560)	36,229	18,669
Transfers	-	2,670	3,623	-	(6,293)	-
Cash dividend – relating to 2012 (note 19)	-	-	-	-	(5,500)	(5,500)
Scrip dividend – relating to 2012 (note 19)	5,000	-	-	-	(5,000)	-
Balance at 31 December 2013	60,000	30,000	24,361	63,337	126,896	304,594

The attached notes 1 to 27 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

At 31 December 2014

1 INCORPORATION AND ACTIVITIES

Emirates Investment Bank P.J.S.C. (the "Bank") was incorporated on 17 February 1976 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates by a decree of HH The Ruler of Dubai. In 1999, the Bank was registered under the UAE Commercial Companies Law No. (8) of 1984 (as amended) as a Public Joint Stock Company. During 2010, the Bank changed its name to Emirates Investment Bank PJSC. The Bank is engaged in the business of private banking and investment banking. The address of the Bank's registered office is P. O. Box 5503, Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

The Bank is a subsidiary of Al Futtaim Private Company LLC which holds 52.85% of the shares in the Bank.

2 BASIS OF PREPARATION

2.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention except for the measurement of derivatives and available-for-sale investments at fair value.

The financial statements have been presented in UAE Dirhams which is the functional currency of the Bank and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand (AED '000) except where otherwise stated.

2.2 Statement of compliance

The financial statements of the Bank have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and Interpretations (IFRIC) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), and applicable requirements of the United Arab Emirates laws.

2.3 Changes in accounting policies

The accounting policies are consistent with those used in the previous year except the Bank applied, for the first time, certain standards and amendments which resulted in additional disclosures in the financial statements. The nature and the impact of each new standards and amendments is described below:

New and amended standards and interpretations

Investment Entities (Amendments to IFRS 10, IFRS 12 and IAS 27)

These amendments provide an exception to the consolidation requirement for entities that meet the definition of an investment entity under IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements and must be applied retrospectively, subject to certain transition relief. The exception to consolidation requires investment entities to account for subsidiaries at fair value through profit or loss. These amendments have no impact on the Bank.

Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities - Amendments to IAS 32

These amendments clarify the meaning of 'currently has a legally enforceable right to set-off' and the criteria for non-simultaneous settlement mechanisms of clearing houses to qualify for offsetting and is applied retrospectively. These amendments have no significant impact on the financial position and performance of the Bank.

Novation of Derivatives and Continuation of Hedge Accounting – Amendments to IAS 39

These amendments provide relief from discontinuing hedge accounting when novation of a derivative designated as a hedging instrument meets certain criteria and retrospective application is required. These amendments have no impact on the Bank as the Bank has not novated its derivatives during the current or prior periods.

IFRIC 21 Levies

IFRIC 21 clarifies that an entity recognises a liability for a levy when the activity that triggers payment, as identified by the relevant legislation, occurs. For a levy that is triggered upon reaching a minimum threshold, the interpretation clarifies that no liability should be anticipated before the specified minimum threshold is reached. Retrospective application is required for IFRIC 21. This interpretation has no impact on the Bank as it has applied the recognition principles under IAS 37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets consistent with the requirements of IFRIC 21 in prior years.

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2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (continued)

2.3 Changes in accounting policies (continued)

New and amended standards and interpretations (continued)

Annual Improvements 2010-2012 Cycle

In the 2010-2012 annual improvements cycle, the IASB issued seven amendments to six standards, which included an amendment to IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement. The amendment to IFRS 13 is effective immediately and, thus, for periods beginning at 1 January 2014, and it clarifies in the Basis for Conclusions that short-term receivables and payables with no stated interest rates can be measured at invoice amounts when the effect of discounting is immaterial. This amendment to IFRS 13 has no impact on the Bank.

Annual Improvements 2011-2013 Cycle

In the 2011-2013 annual improvements cycle, the IASB issued four amendments to four standards, which included an amendment to IFRS 1 First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards. The amendment to IFRS 1 is effective immediately and, thus, for periods beginning at 1 January 2014, and clarifies in the Basis for Conclusions that an entity may choose to apply either a current standard or a new standard that is not yet mandatory, but permits early application, provided either standard is applied consistently throughout the periods presented in the entity's first IFRS financial statements. This amendment to IFRS 1 has no impact on the Bank, since the Bank is an existing IFRS preparer.

2.4 Standards issued but not yet effective

The standards and interpretations that are issued, but not yet effective, up to the date of issuance of the Bank's financial statements are disclosed below. The Bank intends to adopt these standards, if applicable, when they become effective.

IFRS 9 Financial Instruments

In July 2014, the IASB issued the final version of IFRS 9 Financial Instruments which reflects all phases of the financial instruments project and replaces IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement and all previous versions of IFRS 9. The standard introduces new requirements for classification and measurement, impairment, and hedge accounting. IFRS 9 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018, with early application permitted. Retrospective application is required, but comparative information is not compulsory. Early application of previous versions of IFRS 9 (2009, 2010 and 2013) is permitted if the date of initial application is before 1 February 2015. The adoption of IFRS 9 will have an effect on the classification and measurement of the Bank's financial assets, but no impact on the classification and measurement of the Bank's financial liabilities.

IFRS 14 Regulatory Deferral Accounts

IFRS 14 is an optional standard that allows an entity, whose activities are subject to rate-regulation, to continue applying most of its existing accounting policies for regulatory deferral account balances upon its first-time adoption of IFRS. Entities that adopt IFRS 14 must present the regulatory deferral accounts as separate line items on the statement of financial position and present movements in these account balances as separate line items in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income. The standard requires disclosures on the nature of, and risks associated with, the entity's rate-regulation and the effects of that rate-regulation on its financial statements. IFRS 14 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016. Since the Bank is not subject to rate-regulation, this standard would not apply.

Amendments to IAS 19 Defined Benefit Plans: Employee Contributions

IAS 19 requires an entity to consider contributions from employees or third parties when accounting for defined benefit plans. Where the contributions are linked to service, they should be attributed to periods of service as a negative benefit. These amendments clarify that, if the amount of the contributions is independent of the number of years of service, an entity is permitted to recognise such contributions as a reduction in the service cost in the period in which the service is rendered, instead of allocating the contributions to the periods of service. This amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2014. It is not expected that this amendment would be relevant to the Bank as there is no defined benefit plan with contributions from employees or third parties.

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2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (continued)

2.4 Standards issued but not yet effective (continued)

IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

IFRS 15 was issued in May 2014 and establishes a new five-step model that will apply to revenue arising from contracts with customers. Under IFRS 15 revenue is recognised at an amount that reflects the consideration to which an entity expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring goods or services to a customer. The principles in IFRS 15 provide a more structured approach to measuring and recognising revenue. The new revenue standard is applicable to all entities and will supersede all current revenue recognition requirements under IFRS. Either a full or modified retrospective application is required for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017 with early adoption permitted. The Bank is currently assessing the impact of IFRS 15 and plans to adopt the new standard on the required effective date.

Amendments to IAS 16 and IAS 38: Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation

The amendments clarify the principle in IAS 16 and IAS 38 that revenue reflects a pattern of economic benefits that are generated from operating a business (of which the asset is part) rather than the economic benefits that are consumed through use of the asset. As a result, a revenue-based method cannot be used to depreciate property, plant and equipment and may only be used in very limited circumstances to amortise intangible assets. The amendments are effective prospectively for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016, with early adoption permitted. These amendments are not expected to have any impact to the Bank given that the Bank has not used a revenue-based method to depreciate its non-current assets.

2.5 Annual improvements

Below improvements are effective for accounting period beginning on or after 1 July 2014 and are not expected to have a material impact on the Bank. They include:

Annual improvements 2010-2012 Cycle

IFRS 2 Share-based Payment

IFRS 3 Business Combinations

IFRS 8 Operating Segments

The amendments are applied retrospectively and clarifies that:

- An entity must disclose the judgments made by management in applying the aggregation criteria in paragraph 12 of IFRS 8, including a brief description of operating segments that have been aggregated and the economic characteristics (e.g., sales and gross margins) used to assess whether the segments are 'similar'
- The reconciliation of segment assets to total assets is only required to be disclosed if the reconciliation is reported to the chief operating decision maker, similar to the required disclosure for segment liabilities.

IAS 16 Property, Plant and Equipment and IAS 38 Intangible Assets

The amendment is applied retrospectively and clarifies in IAS 16 and IAS 38 that the asset may be revalued by reference to observable data on either the gross or the net carrying amount. In addition, the accumulated depreciation or amortisation is the difference between the gross and carrying amounts of the asset.

IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures

The amendment is applied retrospectively and clarifies that a management entity (an entity that provides key management personnel services) is a related party subject to the related party disclosures. In addition, an entity that uses a management entity is required to disclose the expenses incurred for management services.

Annual improvements 2011-2013 Cycle

IFRS 3 Business Combinations

IAS 40 Investment Property

Amendments to IFRS 11 Joint Arrangements: Accounting for Acquisitions of Interests

Amendments to IAS 16 and IAS 41 Agriculture: Bearer Plants

Amendments to IAS 27: Equity Method in Separate Financial Statements

IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement

The amendment is applied prospectively and clarifies that the portfolio exception in IFRS 13 can be applied not only to financial assets and financial liabilities, but also to other contracts within the scope of IFRS 9 (or IAS 39, as applicable).

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2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (continued)

2.6 Significant management judgments and estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates, assumptions and judgments that affect the reporting amounts of assets and liabilities. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Bank's accounting policies. Such estimates, assumptions and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including obtaining professional advice and expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Significant areas where management has used estimates, assumptions or exercised judgments are as follows:

Impairment losses on loans and advances

The Bank reviews its problem loans and advances on a regular basis to assess whether a provision for impairment should be recorded in the income statement. In particular, judgment by management is required in the estimation of the amount and timing of future cash flows when determining the level of provisions required. Such estimates are necessarily based on assumptions about the probability of default and probable losses in the event of default, the value of the underlying security, and realisation costs.

Judgments

In the process of applying the Bank's accounting policies, management has made the following judgments, apart from those involving estimations, which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements:

Classification of investments:

Management decides upon acquisition of an investment whether it should be classified as investments carried at fair value through profit or loss or available-for-sale.

The Bank classifies investments as trading if they are acquired primarily for the purpose of making a short term profit by the dealers. All other investments are classified as available-for-sale.

The above classification requires management's judgement.

Impairment of investments

The Bank treats available-for-sale investments as impaired when there has been a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value below its cost or where other objective evidence of impairment exists. The determination of what is "significant" or "prolonged" requires considerable judgment. The Bank evaluates a number of factors, including the amount of decline and the length of period of the decline, the normal volatility in share price for quoted equities and the future cash flows and the discount factors for unquoted equities.

Liquidity

The Bank manages their liquidity by maintaining an adequate ratio of net liquid assets to liabilities which is set out in a table in the liquidity risk disclosure in note 23. The table requires judgment with regards to whether assets can be considered liquid.

Estimation uncertainty

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the date of statement of financial position, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below:

Valuation of unquoted equity investments

Valuation of unquoted equity investments is normally based on one of the following:

- recent arm's length market transaction;
- current fair value of another investment that is substantially the same;
- the expected cash flows discounted at current rates applicable for items with similar terms and risk characteristics; or
- other valuation models.

The determination of cash flows and discount factors for unquoted equity investments requires significant estimations. The Bank calibrates the valuation techniques periodically and tests them for validity using either process from observable current market transactions in the same investment or from other available observable market data.

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3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The significant accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below:

Revenue recognition

For all financial instruments measured at amortised cost and other interest bearing financial instruments including financial instruments classified as available-for-sale, interest income or expense is recorded at the effective interest rate, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, where appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. The calculation takes into account all contractual terms of the financial instrument and includes any fees or incremental costs that are directly attributable to the instrument and are an integral part of the effective interest rate, but not future credit losses. The carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability is adjusted if the Bank revises its estimates of payments or receipts. The adjusted carrying amount is calculated based on the original effective interest rate and the change in carrying amount is recorded as interest income or expense.

Once the recorded value of a financial asset or a group of similar financial assets has been reduced due to an impairment loss, interest income continues to be recognised using the original effective interest rate applied to the new carrying amount.

Other fee income and expenses are recognised when earned or incurred. Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of statement of cash flows comprise balances with maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition including cash and balances with UAE Central Bank, due from banks and due to banks.

Due from banks

Due from banks are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method less allowance for impairment, if any.

Loans and advances

Loans and advances are stated at amortised cost net of interest suspended, provisions for impairment and any amounts written off. Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The amortisation is included in interest income in the income statement and the losses arising on impairment of such loans and advances are also recognised in the income statement.

Investments

Investments are classified as follows:

- Investments at fair value through profit or loss;
- Available-for-sale

All securities are initially recognised at fair value plus, except for investments at fair value through profit or loss and investment in gold bullion, transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition.

Investments at Fair Value through Profit or Loss ("FVTPL")

This category has two sub-categories:

- Investment securities held for trading, and;
- Those designated at fair value through profit or loss at inception. Investments at fair value through profit or loss.

An investment security is classified as held for trading if it is acquired or incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term or if it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which there is an evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking. Derivatives are also categorised as held for trading unless they are designated as hedging instruments.

Investment securities are designated as at FVTPL in the following circumstances:

- Doing so eliminates or significantly reduces measurement or recognition inconsistencies that would arise from measuring assets or liabilities or recognising the gains and losses on them on different basis; or
- They are managed and their performance is evaluated on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy and reported to key management personnel on that basis.

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3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Investments (continued)

Available-for-sale

Available-for-sale financial investments are those which are designated as such or do not qualify to be classified as designated at fair value through profit or loss, held to maturity or loans and advances.

Initial recognition

All investment securities are initially recognised at fair value plus, except for investments at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of such investment.

Subsequent measurement

After initial recognition, investments at fair value through profit or loss are remeasured at fair value. Fair value changes in respect of these investments are taken to the income statement.

After initial recognition, available-for-sale investments are remeasured at fair value except unquoted equity investments whose fair value cannot be reliably determined in which case they are measured at cost less accumulated impairment. Fair value changes are reported as a separate component of equity until the security is derecognised or the security is determined to be impaired. On derecognition or impairment, the cumulative gain or loss previously reported as "cumulative changes in fair value" within equity is included in the income statement for the year.

Derecognition of financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial assets

A financial asset (or, where applicable a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is derecognised where:

- the Bank's rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired; or
- the Bank has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a 'pass-through' arrangement; and
- either (a) the Bank has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) the Bank has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

Financial liabilities

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expired. Where an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability, and the difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in income statement.

Fair values

For investments and derivatives quoted in an active market, fair value is determined by reference to quoted market prices at the close of business on the statement of financial position date. Bid prices are used for assets and offer prices are used for liabilities.

The estimated fair value of deposits with no stated maturity, which includes non-interest bearing deposits, is the amount payable on demand.

For unquoted equity investments, fair value is determined by reference to the current market value of a similar investment, recent arm's length market transactions, or is based on expected discounted cash flows or derived using other accepted valuation models.

The fair value of forward foreign exchange contracts is calculated by reference to forward exchange rates for contracts with similar maturities.

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3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Property and equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost, excluding the costs of day to day servicing, less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment in value.

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of assets as follows:

Furniture and computer equipment	over 4 years
Motor vehicles	over 4 years
Computer software	over 4 years
Artwork	is not depreciated

The carrying values of property and equipment are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. If any such indication exists and where the carrying values exceed the estimated recoverable amount, the assets are written down to their recoverable amount, being the higher of their fair value less costs to sell and their value in use.

The assets' residual values, useful lives and methods of depreciation are reviewed at each financial year end, and adjusted prospectively, if appropriate.

Deposits

All money market and customer deposits are carried at cost less amounts repaid.

Employees' end of service benefits

With respect to its national employees, the Bank makes contributions to a pension fund established by the General Pension and Social Security Authority calculated as a percentage of employees' salaries. The Bank's obligations are limited to these contributions, which are expensed when due.

The Bank provides end of service benefits to its other expatriate employees. The entitlement to these benefits is usually based upon the employees' length of service and the completion of a minimum service period. The expected costs of these benefits are accrued over the period of employment and are not less than the liability arising under the UAE Labour Laws.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Bank has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event and the costs to settle the obligation are both probable and able to be reliably measured.

Financial guarantees

In the ordinary course of business, the Bank gives financial guarantees, consisting of letters of credit, guarantees and acceptances. Financial guarantees are initially recognised in the financial statements at fair value, in 'Other liabilities', being the premium received. Subsequent to initial recognition, the Bank's liability under each guarantee is measured at the higher of the unamortised premium and the best estimate of expenditure required to settle any financial obligation arising as a result of the guarantee.

Any increase in the liability relating to financial guarantees is taken to the income statement. The premium received is recognised in the income statement in 'Other income' on a straight line basis over the life of the guarantee.

Leases

Leases where the lessor retains substantially all the risks and benefits of ownership of the asset are classified as operating leases. Operating lease payments are recognised as an expense in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Derivatives

The Bank enters into derivative instruments including forwards, futures, forward rate agreements, swaps, credit default swap and options in the foreign exchange, interest rate and capital markets. These are stated at fair value. Derivatives with positive market values (unrealised gains) are included in other assets and derivatives with negative market values (unrealised losses) are included in other liabilities in the statement of financial position.

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3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Derivatives (continued)

Changes in the fair values of derivatives held for trading or to offset other trading positions are included in other operating income (expenses) in the income statement.

Derivative transactions, while providing effective economic hedges under the Bank's asset and liability management and risk management positions, do not qualify for hedge accounting under the specific rules in IAS 39 and are therefore accounted for as derivatives held for trading and the related fair value gains and losses reported in other operating income (expenses).

Impairment and uncollectibility of financial assets

The Bank assesses at each reporting date whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset or a group of financial assets is deemed to be impaired if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that has occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (an incurred 'loss event') and that loss event (or events) has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or the group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated.

Evidence of impairment may include indications that the borrower or a group of borrowers is experiencing significant financial difficulty, the probability that they will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation, default or delinquency in interest or principal payments and where observable data indicates that there is a measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows, such as changes in arrears or economic conditions that correlate with defaults.

(i) Financial assets carried at amortised cost

For financial assets carried at amortised cost (such as amounts due from banks and loans and advances to customers), the Bank first assesses individually whether objective evidence of impairment exists for financial assets that are individually significant, or collectively for financial assets that are not individually significant. If the Bank determines that no objective evidence of impairment exists for an individually assessed financial asset, it includes the asset in a group of financial assets with similar credit risk characteristics and collectively assesses them for impairment. Assets that are individually assessed for impairment and for which an impairment loss is, or continues to be, recognised are not included in a collective assessment of impairment.

If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future expected credit losses that have not yet been incurred). The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account and the amount of the loss is recognised in the income statement. Interest income continues to be accrued on the reduced carrying amount and is accrued using the rate of interest used to discount the future cash flows for the purpose of measuring the impairment loss.

The interest income is recorded as part of 'Interest and similar income'. Loans together with the associated allowance are written off when there is no realistic prospect of future recovery and all collateral has been realised or has been transferred to the Bank. If, in a subsequent year, the amount of the estimated impairment loss increases or decreases because of an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is increased or reduced by adjusting the allowance account. If a future write-off is later recovered, the recovery is credited to the 'Credit loss expense'.

The present value of the estimated future cash flows is discounted at the financial asset's original EIR. If a loan has a variable interest rate, the discount rate for measuring any impairment loss is the current EIR. The calculation of the present value of the estimated future cash flows of a collateralised financial asset reflects the cash flows that may result from foreclosure less costs for obtaining and selling the collateral, whether or not foreclosure is probable.

For the purpose of a collective evaluation of impairment, financial assets are grouped on the basis of the Bank's internal credit grading system, that considers credit risk characteristics such as asset type, industry, geographical location, collateral type, past-due status and other relevant factors.

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3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Impairment and uncollectibility of financial assets (continued)

(i) Financial assets carried at amortised cost (continued)

Future cash flows on a group of financial assets that are collectively evaluated for impairment are estimated on the basis of historical loss experience for assets with credit risk characteristics similar to those in the group. Historical loss experience is adjusted on the basis of current observable data to reflect the effects of current conditions on which the historical loss experience is based and to remove the effects of conditions in the historical period that do not exist currently. Estimates of changes in future cash flows reflect, and are directionally consistent with, changes in related observable data from year to year (such as changes in unemployment rates, property prices, commodity prices, payment status, or other factors that are indicative of incurred losses in the group and their magnitude). The methodology and assumptions used for estimating future cash flows are reviewed regularly to reduce any differences between loss estimates and actual loss experience.

(ii) Available-for-sale financial investments

For available-for-sale financial investments, the Bank assesses at each reporting date whether there is objective evidence that an investment is impaired.

In the case of debt instruments classified as available-for-sale, the Bank assesses individually whether there is objective evidence of impairment based on the same criteria as financial assets carried at amortised cost. However, the amount recorded for impairment is the cumulative loss measured as the difference between the amortised cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that investment previously recognised in the income statement. Future interest income is based on the reduced carrying amount and is accrued using the rate of interest used to discount the future cash flows for the purpose of measuring the impairment loss. The interest income is recorded as part of "Interest income on investments in debt instruments" included in 'Net income from investments'. If, in a subsequent period, the fair value of a debt instrument increases and the increase can be objectively related to a credit event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised in the income statement, the impairment loss is reversed through the income statement.

In the case of equity investments classified as available-for-sale, objective evidence would also include a "significant" or "prolonged" decline in the fair value of the investment below its cost. The determination of what is "significant" or "prolonged" requires considerable judgement. Where there is evidence of impairment, the cumulative loss measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that investment previously recognised in the income statement – is removed from other comprehensive income and recognised in the income statement. Impairment losses on equity investments are not reversed through the income statement; increases in the fair value after impairment are recognised directly in other comprehensive income.

Impairment of non-financial assets

The Bank assesses at each reporting date whether there is an indication that an asset may be impaired. If any indication exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required, the Bank estimates the asset's recoverable amount. An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's or cash-generating unit's (CGU) fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. Where the carrying amount of an asset or CGU exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount.

In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using discount rates that reflect current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. In determining fair value less costs to sell, an appropriate valuation model is used. These calculations are corroborated by valuation multiples or other available fair value indicators.

An assessment is made at each reporting date as to whether there is any indication that previously recognised impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such indication exists, the Bank estimates the asset's or CGU's recoverable amount. A previously recognised impairment loss is reversed only if there has been a change in the assumptions used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised. The reversal is limited so that the carrying amount of the asset does not exceed its recoverable amount, nor exceeds the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation, had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. Such reversal is recognised in the income statement.

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3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**Trade and settlement date accounting**

All "regular way" purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the settlement date, i.e. the date that the asset is received from or delivered to the counter party. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the timeframe generally established by regulation or convention in the market place.

Fiduciary assets

Assets held in trust or in a fiduciary capacity are not treated as assets of the Bank and accordingly are not recognised in the statement of financial position.

Offsetting

Financial assets and financial liabilities are only offset and the net amount reported on the statement of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the Bank intends to either settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. This is not generally the case with master netting agreements, and the related assets and liabilities are presented gross on the statement of financial position.

Foreign currencies

Foreign currency transactions are recorded at rates of exchange ruling at the value dates of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into United Arab Emirates Dirhams at exchange rate ruling at the reporting date. Any resultant gains and losses are taken to the income statement.

Segment reporting

The Bank's reporting is based on the following operating segments: Investments and Banking Services.

Dividends on ordinary shares

Dividends on ordinary shares are recognised as a liability and deducted from equity when they are approved by the Bank's shareholders. Interim dividends are deducted from equity when they are declared and no longer at the discretion of the Bank.

Dividends for the year that are approved after the reporting date are disclosed as an event after the reporting date.

4 INTEREST INCOME

	<i>2014</i> <i>AED'000</i>	<i>2013</i> <i>AED'000</i>
Loans and advances	33,967	1,783
Bank placements	174	622
	<u>34,141</u>	<u>2,405</u>

5 NET INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS

	<i>2014</i> <i>AED'000</i>	<i>2013</i> <i>AED'000</i>
Interest income on investments in debt instruments	42,248	54,465
Net realised gain on disposal of available-for-sale investments	33,172	33,329
Dividend income	19,422	17,185
Portfolio management fee paid to other financial institutions	(1,057)	(1,046)
	<u>93,785</u>	<u>103,933</u>

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6 OTHER INCOME

	<i>2014</i> <i>AED'000</i>	<i>2013</i> <i>AED'000</i>
Custody and management fees on fiduciary assets	11,355	3,719
Commission and other income	6,699	1,312
Fee from advisory services	280	5,340
	<u>18,334</u>	<u>10,371</u>

7 GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

	<i>2014</i> <i>AED'000</i>	<i>2013</i> <i>AED'000</i>
Staff costs	39,415	25,595
Depreciation (note 14)	1,491	1,139
Rental costs – operating leases	2,442	2,126
Consultancy charges	1,046	883
Communication and subscriptions	2,319	1,669
Others	5,172	4,005
	<u>51,885</u>	<u>35,417</u>

8 BASIC AND DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit for the year of AED 46,234 thousand (2013: AED 36,229 thousand) by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the year of 650,000 shares of AED 100.

The earnings per share of AED 55.74 as reported for the year ended 31 December 2013 (previously reported as AED 60.38) are adjusted for the effect of the shares issued in 2014 as a result of the stock dividend.

The figure for basic and diluted earnings per share is the same as the Bank has not issued any instruments which would have an impact on earnings per share when exercised.

9 CASH AND BALANCES WITH UAE CENTRAL BANK

	<i>2014</i> <i>AED'000</i>	<i>2013</i> <i>AED'000</i>
Cash in hand	171	178
Balances with UAE Central Bank:		
Current account	55,683	27,350
Reserve requirements	180,933	41,651
	<u>236,787</u>	<u>69,179</u>

The reserve requirements are kept with the UAE Central Bank in AED and USD and cannot be withdrawn without its approval. The level of reserve required changes every month in accordance with the UAE Central Bank directives and is based on the balance of outstanding customer deposits.

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10 DUE FROM BANKS

	<i>2014</i> <i>AED'000</i>	<i>2013</i> <i>AED'000</i>
Domestic	105,509	119,136
Regional	34,586	16,759
International	902,703	100,056
	<u>1,042,798</u>	<u>235,951</u>

11 LOANS AND ADVANCES, NET

	<i>2014</i> <i>AED'000</i>	<i>2013</i> <i>AED'000</i>
Commercial and business:		
Overdrafts / loans (secured)	585,656	113,213
Gross loans and advances	585,656	113,213
Less: collective impairment provision	(12,405)	(4,435)
Loans and advances, net	<u>573,251</u>	<u>108,778</u>

At 31 December 2014, there were no loans individually determined to be impaired and, accordingly, no specific provisions were considered necessary in respect of any of the loans and advances provided by the Bank (2013: Nil).

Based on the assessment of health of the overall loans and advances portfolio, and also in compliance with the directive of the Central Bank of UAE, the Bank has determined a collective impairment provision of AED 12,405 thousand (2013: AED 4,435 thousand) against risk of default incurred but not yet identified.

12 INVESTMENTS

	<i>2014</i> <i>AED'000</i>	<i>2013</i> <i>AED'000</i>
Available-for-sale investments		
Debt		
Quoted	774,300	1,498,703
Unquoted	91,707	91,207
	<u>866,007</u>	<u>1,589,910</u>
Equity		
Quoted	664,491	717,864
Unquoted	97,654	19,484
	<u>762,145</u>	<u>737,348</u>
Total available-for-sale investments	<u>1,628,152</u>	<u>2,327,258</u>
Investment in bullion	541	1,017
Total investments	<u>1,628,693</u>	<u>2,328,275</u>

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12 INVESTMENTS (continued)

Investment in bullion represents an investment in physical gold which is being carried at impaired cost. The Bank has assessed this for impairment and has created a provision amounting to AED 40 thousand (2013: AED 5,424 thousand).

	<i>2014</i> <i>AED'000</i>	<i>2013</i> <i>AED'000</i>
Debt investments:		
Domestic	573,504	1,331,061
Regional	16,387	49,907
International	276,116	208,942
	<u>866,007</u>	<u>1,589,910</u>
Equity investments:		
Domestic	125,268	152,734
Regional	37,917	66,883
International	598,960	517,731
	<u>762,145</u>	<u>737,348</u>
Investment in bullion	541	1,017
	<u><u>1,628,693</u></u>	<u><u>2,328,275</u></u>

Part of the proprietary investment portfolio of the Bank having a carrying value of AED 116 million (2013: AED 1,025 million) is pledged as collateral with banks against credit facilities and repurchase agreements totalling to AED 85 million (2013: AED 712 million).

The Bank uses the following hierarchy for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments by valuation technique:

Level 1: quoted (unadjusted) prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2: other techniques for which all inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value are observable, either directly or indirectly; and

Level 3: techniques which use inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value that are not based on observable market data.

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12 INVESTMENTS (continued)

As at 31 December 2014, the Bank held the following investments measured as follows:

	<i>31 December 2014 AED'000</i>	<i>Investments carried at fair value</i>			<i>Investments carried at cost AED'000</i>
		<i>Level 1 AED'000</i>	<i>Level 2 AED'000</i>	<i>Level 3 AED'000</i>	
Debt investments:					
Domestic	573,504	493,930	-	-	79,574
Regional	16,387	16,387	-	-	-
International	276,116	263,983	12,101	32	-
Equity investments:					
Domestic	125,268	107,988	-	17,280	-
Regional	37,917	37,917	-	-	-
International	598,960	434,118	164,256	586	-
Investment in bullion	541	541	-	-	-
	<u>1,628,693</u>	<u>1,354,864</u>	<u>176,357</u>	<u>17,898</u>	<u>79,574</u>
	<i>31 December 2013 AED'000</i>	<i>Investments carried at fair value</i>			<i>Investments carried at cost AED'000</i>
		<i>Level 1 AED'000</i>	<i>Level 2 AED'000</i>	<i>Level 3 AED'000</i>	
Debt investments:					
Domestic	1,331,061	1,239,854	-	-	91,207
Regional	49,907	49,907	-	-	-
International	208,942	208,942	-	-	-
Equity investments:					
Domestic	152,734	134,521	11,109	7,104	-
Regional	66,883	37,409	29,474	-	-
International	517,731	366,266	150,772	-	693
Investment in bullion	1,017	1,017	-	-	-
	<u>2,328,275</u>	<u>2,037,916</u>	<u>191,355</u>	<u>7,104</u>	<u>91,900</u>

During the current year, investments amounting to AED 12,101 thousand (2013: Nil) was transferred from Level 1 to Level 2 as quoted prices for such securities are no longer regularly available.

Investments amount to AED 62,125 thousand (2013: AED 45,156 thousand) was transferred from Level 2 to Level 1. The transfers from Level 2 to Level 1 were made as the market in respect of these securities was considered to be active again during the year. Investment under Level 2 fair value hierarchy is valued using latest available asset value.

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12 INVESTMENTS (continued)

The following table shows a reconciliation of the opening and closing amounts of level 3 investments recorded at fair value:

	2014 AED'000	2013 AED'000
At 1 January	7,104	7,231
Transfer from Level 1	7,959	-
Transfer from Level 2	12,165	-
Transfer from investments carried at cost	693	-
Total losses		
- in income statement	(4,556)	-
- in other comprehensive income	(5,649)	(127)
Purchases	182	-
At 31 December	<u>17,898</u>	<u>7,104</u>

The Bank has assessed the sensitivity of the fair value measurement of investments under level 3 due to changes in inputs used. Based on the assessment, no major changes in the fair value of investments under level 3 are noted as at 31 December 2014. Such an assessment is performed on an annual basis by observing the changes in unobservable inputs which might result in higher or lower fair value measurement.

13 INVESTMENT IN AN ASSOCIATE

During 2012, the Bank made an investment in a newly incorporated company "EIB Investment Co. L.L.C" (the "Company"). The Bank holds a 24% interest in the profit and losses of this Company. The Company has not started its operations. The principal activities of the Company will be to invest in Commercial, Industrial and Agricultural enterprises and management. The investment represents the Bank's share in the capital of the Company.

The following table illustrates summarised financial information of the Bank's investment in the Company:

	2014 AED'000	2013 AED'000
Share of the associate statement of financial position:		
Current assets	<u>72</u>	<u>72</u>
Equity	<u>72</u>	<u>72</u>

	2014 AED'000	2013 AED'000
Share of the associate's revenue and profit:		
Revenue	<u>-</u>	<u>3</u>
Profit for the year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Carrying amount of the investment	<u>72</u>	<u>72</u>

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14 PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

	<i>Furniture, computer equipment and artwork AED '000</i>	<i>Motor vehicles AED '000</i>	<i>Computer software AED '000</i>	<i>Total AED '000</i>
Cost:				
At 1 January 2014	8,132	83	1,130	9,345
Additions	506	-	946	1,452
Disposals	(201)	-	-	(201)
At 31 December 2014	<u>8,437</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>2,076</u>	<u>10,596</u>
Accumulated depreciation:				
At 1 January 2014	4,298	19	154	4,471
Charge for the year	1,049	21	421	1,491
Relating to disposals	(200)	-	-	(200)
At 31 December 2014	<u>5,147</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>575</u>	<u>5,762</u>
Net carrying values:				
At 31 December 2014	<u><u>3,290</u></u>	<u><u>43</u></u>	<u><u>1,501</u></u>	<u><u>4,834</u></u>
	<i>Furniture, computer equipment and artwork AED '000</i>	<i>Motor vehicles AED '000</i>	<i>Computer software AED '000</i>	<i>Total AED '000</i>
Cost:				
At 1 January 2013	4,912	102	-	5,014
Additions	3,340	83	1,130	4,553
Disposals	(120)	(102)	-	(222)
At 31 December 2013	<u>8,132</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>1,130</u>	<u>9,345</u>
Accumulated depreciation:				
At 1 January 2013	3,448	102	-	3,550
Charge for the year	966	19	154	1,139
Relating to disposals	(116)	(102)	-	(218)
At 31 December 2013	<u>4,298</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>154</u>	<u>4,471</u>
Net carrying values:				
At 31 December 2013	<u><u>3,834</u></u>	<u><u>64</u></u>	<u><u>976</u></u>	<u><u>4,874</u></u>

15 OTHER ASSETS

	<i>2014 AED '000</i>	<i>2013 AED '000</i>
Interest receivable	9,899	16,222
Other receivables and prepayments	6,309	11,492
Derivative financial assets (note 20)	2,135	374
	<u><u>18,343</u></u>	<u><u>28,088</u></u>

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16 DUE TO BANKS

	2014 AED'000	2013 AED'000
Term placements	96,931	632,991
Repurchase agreements	28,296	132,295
Overdraft facility	5,656	-
	130,883	765,286

The Bank has borrowed an amount of AED 28 million (2013: AED 132 million) under repurchase agreements, whereby the Bank's investments in certain bonds with a carrying value of AED 40 million (2013: AED 182 million) as at 31 December 2014 are pledged as collateral under these agreements.

The Bank has also borrowed an amount of AED 57 million (2013: AED 580 million) under term placements, whereby the Banks investments in certain bonds with a carrying value of AED 76 million (2013: AED 843 million) as at 31 December 2014 are pledged as collateral under these placements.

17 OTHER LIABILITIES

	2014 AED'000	2013 AED'000
Interest payable	29,394	17,423
Employees' end of service benefits	2,824	1,962
Derivative financial liability (note 20)	1,827	1,305
Others	15,048	9,535
	49,093	30,225

In accordance with the UAE Labour Law, the Bank provides for end of service benefit for its expatriate employees. Movements in the liability recognised on the statement of financial position in respect of end of service benefits are as follows:

	2014 AED'000	2013 AED'000
At 1 January	1,962	1,307
Expense recognised in the income statement	1,017	720
Amount paid	(155)	(65)
At 31 December	2,824	1,962

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18 SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES**a) Share capital**

The authorised share capital of the Bank comprises 800,000 ordinary shares of AED 100 each (2013: 800,000 ordinary shares of AED 100 each). The issued and fully paid share capital of the Bank comprises 650,000 ordinary shares of AED 100 each (2013: 600,000 ordinary shares of AED 100 each). The increase in share capital represents issue of new shares following scrip dividend distributed by the Bank during the current year.

b) Legal reserve

In accordance with the Commercial Companies Law Number 8 of 1984 (as amended) and the Bank's Articles of Association, 10% of the profit for the year has been transferred to legal reserve till the reserve equals 50% of the paid-up share capital. This reserve is not available for distribution.

c) Special reserve

As required under Article 82 of Union Law No. 10 of 1980 and the Bank's Articles of Association, 10% of the profit for the year has been transferred to a special reserve. The Bank may resolve to discontinue such annual transfers when the reserve equals 50% of the paid-up share capital. This reserve is not available for distribution.

19 DIVIDENDS PAID AND PROPOSED

On 30 March 2014, the shareholders approved in the annual general meeting a scrip dividend of 8.333% amounting to AED 5,000 thousand (2013: a cash dividend of 10% amounting to AED 5,500 thousand and a scrip dividend of 9.091% amounting to AED 5,000 thousand). The scrip dividend was issued on 9 April 2014.

The Board of Directors in their meeting dated 3 February 2015 has proposed a scrip dividend at 7.692% of the paid up capital amounting to AED 5,000 thousand. This dividend is subject to the approval of the shareholders at the annual general meeting.

20 DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

In the ordinary course of business the Bank enters into transactions that involve derivative financial instruments. A derivative financial instrument is a financial contract between two parties where payments are dependent upon movements in price in one or more underlying financial instrument, reference rate or index. The purpose of derivative financial instruments in the Bank's business is to mitigate the risks arising from default, currency and interest fluctuations and other market variables. The Bank uses forward foreign exchange contracts to mitigate the currency risk on certain investments.

The table below shows the fair values of derivative financial instruments, recorded as assets or liabilities, together with the notional amounts. The notional amount, recorded gross is the amount of a derivative's underlying asset, reference rate or index and is the basis upon which changes in the value of derivatives are measured. The notional amounts indicate the volume of transactions outstanding at the year end and are neither indicative of the market risk nor credit risk.

	<i>Positive fair value 2014 AED'000</i>	<i>Negative fair value 2014 AED'000</i>	<i>Notional amount 2014 AED'000</i>	<i>Positive fair value 2013 AED'000</i>	<i>Negative fair value 2013 AED'000</i>	<i>Notional amount 2013 AED'000</i>
Derivative held for trading:						
Forward foreign exchange contracts	2,135	1,827	142,894	-	-	-
Credit default swap	-	-	-	374	1,305	36,730
	<u>2,135</u>	<u>1,827</u>	<u>142,894</u>	<u>374</u>	<u>1,305</u>	<u>36,730</u>

Derivative financial instruments include forward foreign exchange contracts and credit default swap. These instrument are not designated as cash flow, fair value or net investment hedges and its entered into for a period of upto five years. The Bank has eleven forward foreign exchange contracts (2013 : nil) and nil credit default swap (2013: One) outstanding as at 31 December 2014.

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20 DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Derivatives often involve at their inception only a mutual exchange of promises with little or no transfer of consideration. However, these instruments frequently involve a high degree of leverage and are very volatile. A relatively small movement in the value of the asset, rate or index underlying a derivative contract may have a significant impact on the profit or loss of the Bank. The Bank's exposure under derivative contracts is closely monitored as part of the overall management of the Bank's market risk.

Derivative product type***Forwards***

Forwards are contractual agreements to either buy or sell a specified currency, commodity or financial instrument at a specific price and date in the future. Forwards are customised contracts transacted in over-the-counter market.

Credit default swaps

Credit default swaps are contractual agreements between two parties to make payments with respect to defined credit events, based on specified notional amounts. The Bank purchases credit default swaps from another banks in order to mitigate the risk of default by the counterparty.

Fair value

The derivatives are recorded at fair value by using the published price quotations in an active market or counterparty prices or valuation techniques using a valuation model that has been tested against the prices of actual market transactions and the Bank's best estimate of the most appropriate model inputs. Disclosures concerning the fair value of derivatives are provided in Note 25.

Foreign exchange forward contracts and credit default swap contracts are valued using valuation techniques, which employs the use of market observable inputs. The most frequently applied valuation techniques include forward pricing and swap models, using present value calculations. The models incorporate various inputs including the credit quality of counterparties, foreign exchange spot and forward rates, yield curves of the respective currencies, currency basis spreads between the respective currencies, interest rate curves and forward rate curves of the underlying commodity.

Derivative related credit risk

Credit risk in respect of derivative financial instruments arises from the potential for a counterparty to default on its contractual obligations and is limited to the positive fair value of instruments that are favourable to the Bank. In the case of credit default swap, the Bank is also exposed to or protected from the risk of default of the counter party referenced by the derivative. With gross-settled derivatives, the Bank is also exposed to a settlement risk, being the risk that the Bank honours its obligation, but the counterparty fails to deliver the counter value.

21 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES***Credit-related commitments and contingent liabilities***

Credit-related commitments include commitments to extend credit, letters of credit, guarantees and acceptances which are designed to meet the requirements of the Bank's customers.

Letters of credit, guarantees and acceptances commit the Bank to make payments on behalf of customers, contingent upon the failure of the customers to perform under the terms of the contract.

The Bank has the following credit related commitments:

	2014	2013
	AED'000	AED'000
Guarantees	79,863	67,825
Unutilised committed credit facilities*	20,954	-
	<u>100,817</u>	<u>67,825</u>

The Bank has no commitments on account of investments made in securities and limited partnership funds.

* Unutilised committed credit facilities represent a contractual commitment to permit draw downs on a facility within a defined period subject to conditions precedent and termination clauses. As commitments may expire without being drawn down and since conditions precedent to draw down have to be fulfilled, the total contract amounts do not necessarily represent exact future cash requirements.

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21 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (continued)*Operating lease commitments:*

	<i>2014</i> <i>AED'000</i>	<i>2013</i> <i>AED'000</i>
Future minimum lease payments		
Within one year	1,651	1,534
After one year but not more than five years	3,214	5,326
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total operating lease expenditure contracted for at the end of the reporting period	<u>4,865</u>	<u>6,860</u>

22 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Bank enters into transactions in the ordinary course of business with related parties, defined as major shareholders, directors, key management personnel and their related companies. All loans and advances to related parties are performing advances and are free of any provision for possible loan losses.

The significant balances outstanding at 31 December in respect of related parties included in the financial statement are as follows:

	<i>2014</i> <i>AED'000</i>	<i>2013</i> <i>AED'000</i>
<i>Directors, their related parties and key management personnel:</i>		
Loans and advances	790	268
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Investments	61,209	68,698
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Customers' deposits	1,024,991	1,022,518
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Commitments and contingencies	74,423	64,445
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The income and expenses in respect of related parties included in the financial statements are as follows:

	<i>2014</i> <i>AED'000</i>	<i>2013</i> <i>AED'000</i>
<i>Directors, their related parties and key management personnel:</i>		
Interest income	1,841	1,957
Interest expense	(25,302)	(22,154)
Other income	1,971	7,206
General and administrative expenses	(3,438)	(2,722)
Compensation of key management personnel:		
	<i>2014</i> <i>AED'000</i>	<i>2013</i> <i>AED'000</i>
Salaries and other benefits	7,575	6,534
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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23 RISK MANAGEMENT

Introduction

Risk is inherent in the Bank's activities but it is managed through a process of ongoing identification, measurement and monitoring, subject to risk limits and other controls. This process of risk management is critical to the Bank's continuing profitability and each individual within the Bank is accountable for the risk exposures relating to his or her responsibilities.

The Board of Directors holds the ultimate responsibility vis a vis the risk exposures. The Bank has adopted a risk governance suggesting a "three line of defence approach" to risk management, which involves top management and business lines, strong risk management function, and capable independent audit.

The Bank is exposed to credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk, the latter being subdivided into trading and non-trading risks. It is also subject to operational risks.

The independent risk control process does not include business risks such as changes in the environment, technology and industry. These are monitored through the Bank's strategic planning process.

Risk management structure

The Board of Directors is ultimately responsible for identifying and controlling risks; however, there are separate independent bodies responsible for managing and monitoring risks.

The Board of Directors has the responsibility to monitor the overall risk process within the Bank. They also have the overall responsibility for the development of the related strategy and implementing principles, framework, process and limits. The Board is responsible for the fraud and other risk related matters and manages and monitors relevant risk decisions.

Board Audit & Risk Committee

Board Audit & Risk Committee (BARC) has the overall responsibility for the development of the risk strategy and implementing principles, frameworks and policies for enhancement of the Bank's risk management framework to best practice standards, including effective internal control structures, monitoring of aggregate risk exposures (credit, market, liquidity, operational, legal, etc.) ensuring the independence of the Internal Audit function and compliance with the regulatory requirements.

During the year, the Board of Directors has resolved to segregate the Board Audit & Risk Committee into the Board Risk Committee and the Board Audit Committee. The terms of reference for the separate committees are yet to be approved by the Board of Directors.

Bank Treasury

Bank Treasury is responsible for managing the Bank's assets and liabilities and the overall financial structure. It is also primarily responsible for the funding and liquidity risks of the Bank.

Internal Audit

Risk management processes throughout the Bank are subject to an internal audit function that examines both the adequacy of the procedures and the Bank's compliance with the procedures. Internal Audit discusses the results of all assessments with management, and reports its findings and recommendations to the BARC.

Risk measurement and reporting systems

Monitoring and controlling risks is primarily performed based on limits established by the Bank. These limits reflect the business strategy and market environment of the Bank as well as the level of risk that the Bank is willing to accept. In addition, the Bank monitors and measures the overall risk bearing capacity in relation to the aggregate risk exposure across all risk types and activities.

Information compiled is examined and processed in order to analyse, control and identify early risks. This information is presented and explained to the BARC and management committees, which includes aggregate credit exposure, liquidity ratios and risk profile changes.

Periodic briefing is given to the relevant members of the Bank on the utilisation of market limits, proprietary investments and liquidity, plus any other risk developments.

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23 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)**Risk management structure (continued)***Risk mitigation*

As part of its overall risk management, the Bank uses derivatives and other instruments to manage exposures resulting from changes in interest rates, foreign currencies, equity risks, credit risks, and exposures arising from forecast transactions. The Bank also constantly monitor their portfolio and diversify it in order to mitigate risk in relation to concentration of exposure towards a particular business or geographical segment.

Excessive risk concentration

Concentrations arise when a number of counterparties are engaged in similar business activities, or activities in the same geographic region, or have similar economic features that would cause their ability to meet contractual obligations to be similarly affected by changes in economic, political or other conditions. Concentrations indicate the relative sensitivity of the Bank's performance to developments affecting a particular industry or geographical location.

In order to avoid excessive concentrations of risk, the Bank's policies and procedures include specific guidelines to focus on maintaining a diversified portfolio. Identified concentrations of credit risks are controlled and managed accordingly.

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a customer or counterparty will fail to meet a commitment, resulting in financial loss to the Bank. Such risk arises from lending, trade finance, treasury and other activities undertaken by the Bank. Credit risk is actively monitored in accordance with the credit policies which clearly define delegated lending authorities, policies and procedures. The management of credit risk also involves the monitoring of risk concentrations by industrial sector as well as by geographic location.

The Bank has an internal credit quality review process to provide early identification of possible changes in the creditworthiness of counterparties, including regular collateral revisions. Counterparty limits are established by the use of a credit risk classification system, which assigns each counterparty a risk rating. Risk ratings are subject to regular revision. The credit quality review process allows the Bank to assess the potential loss as a result of the risks to which it is exposed and take corrective action.

Maximum exposure to credit risk without taking account of any collateral and other credit enhancements

The table below shows the maximum exposure to credit risk for the components of the statement of financial position, including contingent liabilities and commitments. The maximum exposure is shown gross, before the effect of mitigation through the use of master netting and collateral agreements, if any.

		Gross maximum exposure 2014 AED'000	Gross maximum exposure 2013 AED'000
	<i>Notes</i>		
Balances with UAE Central Bank (excluding cash on hand)	9	236,616	69,001
Due from banks	10	1,042,798	235,951
Loans and advances	11	585,656	113,213
Investments in debt instruments	12	866,007	1,589,910
Other assets		16,756	27,101
		2,747,833	2,035,176
Guarantees	21	79,863	67,825
		79,863	67,825
Total credit risk exposure		2,827,696	2,103,001

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23 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

Credit risk (continued)

Where financial instruments are recorded at fair value, the amounts shown above represent the current credit risk exposure but not the maximum risk exposure that could arise in the future as a result of changes in values.

For more detail on the maximum exposure to credit risk for each class of financial instrument, references have been made to the specific notes. The effect of collateral and other risk mitigation techniques is shown below.

Risk concentrations of the maximum exposure to credit risk

Concentration of risk is managed by client/counterparty, by geographical region and by industry sector. The maximum credit exposure to any client or counterparty as of 31 December 2014 was AED 224,414 thousand (2013: AED 118,397 thousand) before taking account of collateral or other credit enhancements. This analysis does not include investment in debt instruments.

The Bank's financial instruments (excluding cash in hand and investments in equity securities and bullion), before taking into account any collateral held or other credit enhancements, can be analysed by the following geographical regions:

	2014		2013	
	<i>Assets</i>	<i>Contingent liabilities and commitments</i>	<i>Assets</i>	<i>Contingent liabilities and commitments</i>
	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>
United Arab Emirates	1,162,538	79,863	1,595,266	67,825
North America	115,044	-	43,823	-
Latin America	-	-	12,246	-
Europe	903,341	-	176,943	-
Asia Pacific	155,406	-	55,211	-
GCC & other ME*	411,504	-	151,687	-
	<u>2,747,833</u>	<u>79,863</u>	<u>2,035,176</u>	<u>67,825</u>

*During 2013, the Bank had a credit default swap with a nominal amount of AED 36,730 thousand (note 20) referred to the sovereign debt of the state of Qatar. The credit default swap was entered into with a financial institution which was rated Aa3 by Moody's. There are no outstanding credit default swap with the Bank as at 31 December 2014.

An industry sector analysis of the Bank's financial assets (excluding cash in hand and investments in equity securities and bullion) including contingent liabilities, before taking into account collateral held or other credit enhancements, is as follows:

	2014	2013
	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>
Commercial and business	1,259,898	825,022
Banks and financial institutions	1,361,881	833,857
Government entities	203,483	444,094
Others	2,434	28
	<u>2,827,696</u>	<u>2,103,001</u>

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23 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

Credit risk (continued)

Collateral and other credit enhancements

The amount and type of collateral required depends on an assessment of the credit risk of the counterparty and product parameters. Guidelines are implemented regarding the acceptability of types of collateral and valuation parameters. The main types of collateral obtained are generally cash and investment securities.

Management monitors the market value of collateral, requests additional collateral in accordance with the underlying agreement, and monitors the market value of collateral obtained during its review of the adequacy of the allowance for impairment losses.

Credit quality per class of financial assets

The credit quality of financial assets is managed by the Bank using internal credit ratings. The table below shows the credit quality by class of gross assets for certain key lines of statement of financial position items, based on the Bank's internal credit rating system.

	<i>Neither past due nor impaired</i>			
	<i>Prime and high grade 2014 AED'000</i>	<i>Standard grade 2014 AED'000</i>	<i>Sub- standard grade 2014 AED'000</i>	<i>Total 2014 AED'000</i>
Balances with UAE Central Bank	236,616	-	-	236,616
Due from banks	1,042,798	-	-	1,042,798
Loans and advances	-	585,656	-	585,656
Investments in debt instruments	158,503	459,899	247,605	866,007
	<u>1,437,917</u>	<u>1,045,555</u>	<u>247,605</u>	<u>2,731,077</u>

	<i>Neither past due nor impaired</i>			
	<i>Prime and high grade 2013 AED'000</i>	<i>Standard grade 2013 AED'000</i>	<i>Sub- standard grade 2013 AED'000</i>	<i>Total 2013 AED'000</i>
Balances with UAE Central Bank	69,001	-	-	69,001
Due from banks	235,951	-	-	235,951
Loans and advances	-	113,213	-	113,213
Investments in debt instruments	498,628	851,212	240,070	1,589,910
	<u>803,580</u>	<u>964,425</u>	<u>240,070</u>	<u>2,008,075</u>

As at the year end, the Bank has an amount of Nil (2013: Nil) in loans and advances which were past due or individually impaired.

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23 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

Credit risk (continued)

Credit risk exposure of the Bank's financial assets (excluding cash in hand and investments in equity instruments and bullion) including contingent liabilities for each internal risk rating.

	<i>Moody's equivalent grades</i>	<i>Total 2014 AED'000</i>	<i>Total 2013 AED'000</i>
Prime and high grade	Aaa-Aa3	1,437,917	803,580
Standard grade	Baa-Baa3	1,125,418	1,032,250
Sub-Standard grade	Ba-B3	247,605	240,070
		2,810,940	2,075,900

It is the Bank's policy to maintain accurate and consistent risk ratings across the credit and investment portfolio. This facilitates focused management of the applicable risks and the comparison of credit exposures across lines of business, geographic regions and products. The rating system is supported by a variety of financial analytics, combined with processed market information to provide the main inputs for the measurement of counterparty risk. All internal risk ratings are tailored to the various categories and are derived in accordance with the Bank's policy. The attributable risk ratings are assessed and updated regularly. The Moody's equivalent grades are relevant only for certain of the exposures in each risk rating class as a number of them are based on the Bank's internal rating.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Bank will be unable to meet its net funding requirements. Liquidity risk can be caused by market disruptions or credit downgrades which may cause certain sources of funding to dry up immediately. To guard against this risk, management has diversified funding sources and assets are managed with liquidity in mind and by maintaining a healthy balance of cash and cash equivalents.

The Bank maintains a portfolio of highly marketable and diverse assets that can be easily liquidated in the event of an unforeseen interruption of cash flow. The Bank also has committed lines of credit that it can access to meet liquidity needs. In addition, the Bank maintains a statutory deposit with the Central Bank of UAE equal to 14% of demand deposits and 1% of saving deposits. The liquidity position is assessed and managed under a variety of scenarios, giving due consideration to stress factors relating to both the market in general and specifically to the Bank.

Maturities of assets and liabilities at the date of statement of financial position are set out in the table below based on the remaining period to the contractual maturity date not taking account of the effective maturities as indicated by the Bank's deposit retention history and the availability of liquid funds is as follows:

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23 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

Liquidity risk (continued)

31 December 2014	Less than 3 months AED'000	From 3 months to 6 months AED'000	From 6 months to 12 months AED'000	Sub total less than 12 months AED'000	1-5 years AED'000	Over 5 years AED'000	Sub total over 12 months AED'000	Undated AED'000	Total AED'000
ASSETS									
Cash and balances with UAE Central Bank	236,787	-	-	236,787	-	-	-	-	236,787
Due from banks	1,042,798	-	-	1,042,798	-	-	-	-	1,042,798
Loans and advances, net	266,212	871	305,882	572,965	286	-	286	-	573,251
Investments	104,258	102,351	37,224	243,833	267,881	354,293	622,174	762,686	1,628,693
Investment in an associate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	72	72
Property and equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,834	4,834
Other assets	14,903	380	2,117	17,400	-	-	-	943	18,343
Total assets	1,664,958	103,602	345,223	2,113,783	268,167	354,293	622,460	768,535	3,504,778
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY									
Due to banks	73,952	-	56,931	130,883	-	-	-	-	130,883
Customer deposits	2,026,969	263,991	584,246	2,875,206	109,857	-	109,857	-	2,985,063
Other liabilities	16,230	16,582	11,536	44,348	1,921	-	1,921	2,824	49,093
Equity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	339,739	339,739
Total liabilities and equity	2,117,151	280,573	652,713	3,050,437	111,778	-	111,778	342,563	3,504,778
Net liquidity gap	(452,193)	(176,971)	(307,490)	(936,654)	156,389	354,293	510,682	425,972	

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23 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

Liquidity risk (continued)

31 December 2013	Less than 3 months AED '000	From 3 months to 6 months AED '000	From 6 months to 12 months AED '000	Sub total less than 12 months AED '000	1-5 years AED '000	Over 5 years AED '000	Sub total over 12 months AED '000	Undated AED '000	Total AED '000
ASSETS									
Cash and balances with UAE Central Bank	69,179	-	-	69,179	-	-	-	-	69,179
Due from banks	235,951	-	-	235,951	-	-	-	-	235,951
Loans and advances, net	55,841	-	52,937	108,778	-	-	-	-	108,778
Investments	68,698	4,608	264,754	338,060	1,103,620	148,230	1,251,850	738,365	2,328,275
Investment in an associate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	72	72
Property and equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,874	4,874
Other assets	19,337	7,078	1,299	27,714	374	-	374	-	28,088
Total assets	449,006	11,686	318,990	779,682	1,103,994	148,230	1,252,224	743,311	2,775,217
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY									
Due to banks	221,498	543,788	-	765,286	-	-	-	-	765,286
Customer deposits	683,163	104,298	310,266	1,097,727	577,385	-	577,385	-	1,675,112
Other liabilities	10,520	7,462	1,414	19,396	8,867	-	8,867	1,962	30,225
Equity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	304,594	304,594
Total liabilities and equity	915,181	655,548	311,680	1,882,409	586,252	-	586,252	306,556	2,775,217
Net liquidity gap	(466,175)	(643,862)	7,310	(1,102,727)	517,742	148,230	665,972	436,755	

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23 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

Liquidity risk (continued)

Analysis of financial liabilities by remaining contractual maturities

The table below summarises the maturity profile of the Bank's financial liabilities at the year-end based on contractual undiscounted repayment obligations. Repayments which are subject to notice are treated as if notice were to be given immediately. However, the Bank expects that many customers will not request repayment on the earliest date the Bank could be required to pay and the table does not reflect the expected cash flows based on Bank's deposit retention history.

	<i>On demand AED'000</i>	<i>Less than 3 months AED'000</i>	<i>3 to 12 months AED'000</i>	<i>1 to 5 years AED'000</i>	<i>Total AED'000</i>
2014					
Due to banks	5,656	68,367	57,442	-	131,465
Customer deposits	1,310,543	717,559	861,197	129,494	3,018,793
Other liabilities	-	16,230	28,118	4,745	49,093
Total undiscounted financial liabilities	1,316,199	802,156	946,757	134,239	3,199,351
	<i>On demand AED'000</i>	<i>Less than 3 months AED'000</i>	<i>3 to 12 months AED'000</i>	<i>1 to 5 years AED'000</i>	<i>Total AED'000</i>
2013					
Due to banks	-	766,363	-	-	766,363
Customer deposits	318,337	392,611	422,855	625,539	1,759,342
Other liabilities	1,605	8,915	8,876	10,829	30,225
Total undiscounted financial liabilities	319,942	1,167,889	431,731	636,368	2,555,930

Derivatives financial instruments in the above table are indicated under other liabilities at the gross undiscounted cash flows. However, these amounts may be settled gross or net.

The table below shows the contractual expiry by maturity of the Bank's contingent liabilities:

	<i>On demand AED'000</i>	<i>Less than 3 months AED'000</i>	<i>3 to 12 months AED'000</i>	<i>1 to 5 years AED'000</i>	<i>Over 5 years AED'000</i>	<i>Total AED'000</i>
2014						
Contingent liabilities	20,954	25,312	52,219	-	2,332	100,817
2013						
Contingent liabilities	-	12,650	50,841	318	4,016	67,825

The Bank expects that not all of the contingent liabilities will be drawn before expiry of the commitments.

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23 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

Market risk

Market risk arises from fluctuations in interest rates, foreign exchange rates and equity prices. The Board has set limits on the value of risk that may be accepted. This is monitored on a regular basis by the Bank's Assets and Liability Committee.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in interest rates will affect future profitability or the fair values of financial instruments. The Bank is exposed to interest rate risk as a result of mismatches or gaps in the amounts of assets and liabilities and off balance sheet instruments that mature or reprice in a given period.

The Board has established levels of interest rate risk by setting interest rate sensitivity limits.

The sensitivity of the income statement is the effect of the assumed changes in interest rates on the net interest income for one year based on the floating rate financial assets and financial liabilities held at the year end. The sensitivity of equity is calculated by revaluing fixed rate available-for-sale financial assets at year-end for the effect of assumed changes in interest rates. The total sensitivity is based on the assumption that there are parallel shifts in the yield curve.

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity to a reasonable possible change in interest rates, with all other variables held constant, of the Bank's income statement and equity.

<i>Increase in basis points</i>	<i>Impact on net profit 2014 AED'000</i>	<i>Impact on equity 2014 AED'000</i>	<i>Impact on net profit 2013 AED'000</i>	<i>Impact on equity 2013 AED'000</i>
100	(12,742)	(16,088)	(16,747)	(27,453)

Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The Bank has set limits on positions by currency. Positions are monitored on a daily basis and strategies used to ensure positions are maintained within established limits.

The tables below indicate the currencies to which the Bank had significant exposure at year-end on its non-trading monetary assets and liabilities and their forecast cash flows. The analysis calculates the effect of a reasonably possible movement of the currency rate against the AED, with all other variables held constant on the equity (due to the fair value of currency sensitive non trading monetary assets which mainly relates to available-for-sale investments). A negative amount in the table reflects a potential net reduction in equity, while a positive amount reflects a net potential increase.

	<i>Change in currency rate in % 2014</i>	<i>Effect on equity 2014 AED'000</i>	<i>Change in currency rate in % 2013</i>	<i>Effect on equity 2013 AED'000</i>
Currency				
Euro	+10	1,686	+10	271
Pound Sterling	+10	(227)	+10	185
Chinese Remnibi	+10	307	+10	306
Swiss Francs	+10	(367)	+10	(509)

Since the UAE Dirham is on a fixed parity to the US Dollar therefore the management believes that presently the Bank is not exposed to any significant foreign currency risk in respect of US Dollar.

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23 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

Equity price risk

Equity price risk is the risk that the fair values of equities decrease as the result of changes in the levels of equity indices and the value of individual stocks. The non-trading equity price risk exposure arises from the Bank's equity investment portfolio.

The effect on equity due to a reasonably possible change in equity indices, with all other variables held constant, is as follows:

	<i>Change in equity price 2014 %</i>	<i>Effect on equity 2014 AED'000</i>	<i>Change in equity price 2013 %</i>	<i>Effect on equity 2013 AED'000</i>
New York Stock Exchange	+10	17,407	+10	20,066
Abu Dhabi Securities Market	+10	3,968	+10	6,367
Dubai Financial Market	+10	7,935	+10	8,197
Others	+10	46,905	+10	39,105

Operational risk

Operational risk is the risk of loss arising from systems failure, human error, fraud or external events. When controls fail to perform, operational risks can cause damage to reputation, have legal or regulatory implications, or lead to financial loss. The Bank cannot expect to eliminate all operational risks, but through a control framework and by monitoring and responding to potential risks, the Bank is able to manage the risks. Controls include effective segregation of duties, access, authorisation and reconciliation procedures, staff education and assessment processes, including the use of internal audit.

24 SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS

For operating purposes, the Bank is organised into two major business segments: (a) Investments which is principally involved in managing the Bank's own investment portfolio and provides treasury services; and (b) Banking Services, which principally manages client's investment portfolio, provides credit facilities, accepts deposit from corporate and individual customers and provides advisory services on corporate finance and capital market transactions. These segments are the basis on which the Bank reports its primary segment information. Transactions between segments are conducted at rates determined by management taking into consideration the cost of funds and an equitable allocation of expenses.

Management monitors the operating results of the operating segments separately for the purpose of making decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment. Segment performance is evaluated based on operating profit or loss.

	<i>Investments</i>		<i>Banking Services</i>		<i>Total</i>	
	<i>2014 AED'000</i>	<i>2013 AED'000</i>	<i>2014 AED'000</i>	<i>2013 AED'000</i>	<i>2014 AED'000</i>	<i>2013 AED'000</i>
Revenue *	106,808	97,622	41,207	14,046	148,015	111,668
Inter-segment adjustment	(23,193)	(29,305)	23,193	29,305	-	-
	<u>83,615</u>	<u>68,317</u>	<u>64,400</u>	<u>43,351</u>	<u>148,015</u>	<u>111,668</u>
Profit for the year	<u>40,905</u>	<u>30,646</u>	<u>5,329</u>	<u>5,583</u>	<u>46,234</u>	<u>36,229</u>

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24 SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS (continued)

	<i>Investments</i>		<i>Banking Services</i>		<i>Total</i>	
	<i>2014</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2013</i>
	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>
Segment assets	<u>2,981,956</u>	<u>2,491,141</u>	<u>522,822</u>	<u>284,076</u>	<u>3,504,778</u>	<u>2,775,217</u>
Segment liabilities	<u>1,091,548</u>	<u>959,034</u>	<u>2,413,230</u>	<u>1,816,183</u>	<u>3,504,778</u>	<u>2,775,217</u>

* Revenue comprises interest income, net income from investments, other income and exchange (loss) gain less impairment loss on investments.

25 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Fair value represents the amount at which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's length transaction. Differences can therefore arise between book-value under the historical cost method and fair value estimates.

Determination of fair value and fair value hierarchy:

The Bank uses the following hierarchy for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments by valuation technique:

Level 1: quoted (unadjusted) prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2: other techniques for which all inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value are observable, either directly or indirectly;

Level 3: techniques which use inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value that are not based on observable market data.

The following table shows an analysis of financial instruments recorded at fair value by level of the fair value hierarchy.

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	<i>Level 1</i>	<i>Level 2</i>	<i>Level 3</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>
Financial assets				
Forward foreign exchange contracts (note 20)	<u>2,135</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,135</u>
Financial liabilities				
Forward foreign exchange contracts (note 20)	<u>1,827</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,827</u>

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	<i>Level 1</i>	<i>Level 2</i>	<i>Level 3</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>	<i>AED'000</i>
Financial assets				
Credit default swap (note 20)	<u>-</u>	<u>374</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>374</u>
Financial liabilities				
Credit default swap (note 20)	<u>-</u>	<u>1,305</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,305</u>

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25 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Determination of fair value and fair value hierarchy (continued)

Fair value hierarchy of Investments is disclosed under note 12.

The table below sets out the Bank's classification of each class of financial assets and liabilities, and their carrying values.

31 December 2014	<i>At fair value through profit or loss AED '000</i>	<i>Available for sale AED '000</i>	<i>Loans and receivables AED '000</i>	<i>Amortised cost AED '000</i>	<i>Total AED '000</i>
Financial assets					
Cash and balances with UAE Central Bank	-	-	-	236,787	236,787
Due from banks	-	-	-	1,042,798	1,042,798
Loans and advances	-	-	573,251	-	573,251
Investments excluding bullion	-	1,548,578	-	79,574	1,628,152
Others	-	-	-	16,756	16,756
	-	1,548,578	573,251	1,375,915	3,497,744
Financial liabilities					
Due to banks	-	-	-	130,883	130,883
Customer deposits	-	-	-	2,985,063	2,985,063
Others	-	-	-	46,269	46,269
	-	-	-	3,162,215	3,162,215
31 December 2013					
	<i>At fair value through profit or loss AED '000</i>	<i>Available for sale AED '000</i>	<i>Loans and receivables AED '000</i>	<i>Amortised cost AED '000</i>	<i>Total AED '000</i>
Financial assets					
Cash and balances with UAE Central Bank	-	-	-	69,179	69,179
Due from banks	-	-	-	235,951	235,951
Loans and advances	-	-	108,778	-	108,778
Investments excluding bullion	-	2,235,358	-	91,900	2,327,258
Others	-	-	-	27,101	27,101
	-	2,235,358	108,778	424,131	2,768,267
Financial liabilities					
Due to banks	-	-	-	765,286	765,286
Customer deposits	-	-	-	1,675,112	1,675,112
Others	-	-	-	28,263	28,263
	-	-	-	2,468,661	2,468,661

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26 CAPITAL ADEQUACY

The Bank maintains an actively managed capital base to cover risks inherent in the business. The adequacy of the Bank's capital is monitored using, among other measures, the rules and ratios established by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision ("BIS rules/ratios") and adopted by the Central Bank of UAE in supervising the Bank.

The Central Bank of UAE supervises the Bank, and therefore receives information on the capital adequacy of, and sets capital requirements for, the Bank. The capital is computed at the Bank level using the Basel II framework of the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision ('Basel Committee'), after applying the amendments advised by the Central Bank of UAE, within national discretion. The Basel II framework is structured around three 'pillars': minimum capital requirements (Pillar I); supervisory review process (Pillar II); and market discipline (Pillar III).

Minimum Capital Requirements

Per current capital requirements, the Central Bank of UAE requires the Bank to maintain a prescribed minimum ratio of total capital to total risk-weighted assets of 12% (of which Tier I to be 8%).

The tiered components of Bank's regulatory capital comprise of:

- Tier I capital includes share capital, legal reserve, statutory reserve retained earnings and other regulatory adjustments relating to items that are included in equity but are treated differently for capital adequacy purposes; and
- Tier II capital includes undisclosed reserve and fair value reserve.

During the past year, the Bank had complied in full with all its externally imposed capital requirements.

The capital adequacy ratio as per Basel II framework is given below:

	2014 AED'000	2013 AED'000
Tier I Capital		
Issued capital	65,000	60,000
Legal reserve	32,500	30,000
Special reserve	28,984	24,361
Retained earnings	161,007	126,896
Total tier I capital	<u>287,491</u>	<u>241,257</u>
Tier II Capital		
Undisclosed reserves/ general provisions	12,405	4,435
Fair value reserve	20,504	27,716
Total	<u>32,909</u>	<u>32,151</u>
Total regulatory capital	<u><u>320,400</u></u>	<u><u>273,408</u></u>
Risk Weighted Exposure		
	2014 AED'000	2013 AED'000
Credit risk	1,946,869	1,618,506
Market risk	45,782	37,418
Operational risk	128,846	71,989
Total	<u><u>2,121,497</u></u>	<u><u>1,727,913</u></u>

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26 CAPITAL ADEQUACY (continued)

	2014	2013
Capital Ratio		
Total regulatory capital as a percentage of total risk weighted assets	15.10%	15.82%
Total Tier I regulatory capital as a percentage of total risk weighted assets	13.55%	13.96%

Capital management policies, stress testing and capital management

The Bank has a robust capital adequacy assessment, monitoring and reporting process and is pro-actively advancing its internal capital adequacy assessment framework along the lines of Basel II and in anticipation of Basel III.

The forward-looking internal capital adequacy assessment process (ICAAP) is based on the Bank's financial budget projections. Various stress scenarios are considered to assess the strength of the Bank's capital adequacy over a three year period.

The implemented ICAAP is based on Economic Capital and defines adequacy as balance of capital supply, in the form of available financial resources, and capital demand, in the form of cushion against unexpected losses. The Bank's quantification models have been subject to external scrutiny and validation.

The primary objectives of the Bank's capital management are to ensure that the Bank complies with externally imposed capital requirements and that the Bank maintains healthy capital ratios in order to support its business and to maximise shareholders' value.

The Bank manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it in the light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of its activities. In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Bank may adjust the amount of dividend payment to shareholders, return capital to shareholders or issue capital securities. No changes were made in the objectives, policies and processes from the previous years.

27 FIDUCIARY ASSETS

	2014 AED'000	2013 AED'000
Balance as at 31 December	4,214,543	1,488,000

The Bank manages investments on behalf of its customers. These investments are held by the Bank in a fiduciary capacity and are, accordingly, not included in these financial statements as assets of the Bank.