

Home Credit Group B.V.
Annual accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2019

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

Description of the Company

Home Credit Group B.V.

Date of incorporation: 20 September 2017

Registered office: Netherlands, Strawinskylaan 933, 1077XX Amsterdam

Identification number: 69638284

Issued capital: EUR 999,999,999.99

Paid up capital: EUR 999,999,999.99

Principal business: Holding company activities and financing thereof

General information

Home Credit Group B.V. ("HCGBV") is one of the leading global providers of consumer credit with a focus on emerging markets. HCGBV is the parent which holds the equity stakes in leading consumer finance companies ("operating entities") in 10 countries which are split into five clusters: China; South and South East Asia ("SSEA") which includes our businesses in India, Indonesia, Philippines and Vietnam; Commonwealth of Independent States ("CIS") which includes our businesses in Russia and Kazakhstan; Central and Eastern Europe ("CEE"), which includes our businesses in Czech and Slovakia; and Other which includes our business in the USA as well as other projects or entities which are in early stage of development. The majority of our subsidiaries are regulated companies which are fully licensed by a national government regulatory body and compliant with local respective laws. We have banking licenses in Czech, Russia and Kazakhstan.

Our mission is to provide responsible lending primarily to individuals with little or no credit history. Our goal is to provide financing wherever and whenever potential customer may need it through our omnichannel distribution model both online and offline. We acquire customers primarily through online and offline point-of-sale ("POS") loans and thereafter focus on building relationships through a customer lifecycle by cross-selling cash loans¹, revolving credit and other relevant potential protection products. Our inclusive approach to lending services is enabled by superior data analytics and technology to process high volumes of data regarding a potential customers' behaviour pattern in order to gain strong predictive power for taking decisions regarding potential loans.

As a parent holding company, we also perform the role of securing the refinancing facilities for our operating entities. For a detailed description of the Group please refer to Note 1 of the consolidated financial statements.

The majority shareholder (91.12% stake) of HCGBV is PPF Financial Holdings B.V., a wholly owned subsidiary of PPF Group N.V. (hereinafter "PPF"). PPF invests into multiple market segments such as banking and financial services, telecommunications, biotechnology, real estate, retail, insurance, metal mining and agriculture. PPF Group's reach spans from Europe to Russia, the USA and across Asia. PPF Group owns assets of EUR 47 billion (as at 30 June 2019). The remaining 8.88% stake in HCGBV is held by EMMA OMEGA LTD. For more information on PPF, visit www.ppf.eu and for more information on EMMA, please visit www.emmacapital.cz.

¹ Included in cash loans are loans provided to customers for specific consumption scenarios or general personal consumption purposes as required by local regulatory requirements. In China, these loans comprise consumption loans and in Indonesia, these loans comprise multi-purpose financing.

Overview of HCGBV

We aspire to change the way the world shops by providing consumer finance products that are easily accessible and affordable for our customers. Our business model is based on acquiring consumers when they engage in consumption of goods and/or services and subsequently deepen the customer relationship by offering additional relevant products. Our omni channel platform allows us to engage with customer wherever they shop either online or offline. As a group we manage and develop centrally a number of processes and solutions which are then adapted to each local market. Our core strategy is to transform the way our customers purchase and make the things that matter in their lives affordable for them in a convenient and efficient way by building long-standing relationships with them in our core high-growth markets. We are aiming to provide a seamless experience across relevant touch-points, be more agile as well as innovate in an ever evolving digital world where technology is changing the way people live, companies do business and reach their customers. Our business continues to be fine-tuned to more adequately represent the business reality in which we operate. We focus on having a truly customer-centric culture, offering high value-added products as well as cutting-edge innovations.

We operate in countries with high growth potential with a combined population of approximately 3.4 billion², above average GDP growth rate and low consumer finance penetration rate. The operating companies of HCGBV are market leaders in their respective market for POS lending.

We primarily offer three types of unsecured consumer finance loan products in our markets: POS loans, cash loans and revolving loans. We target underserved, below average income borrowers in the blue collar and junior white collar segments who earn regular income from their employment or micro-businesses, but who are less likely to access financing from banks and other traditional lenders. For many of our loan customers, we have been the first formal/regulated institution to extend credit to them, and we pride ourselves on providing a positive borrowing experience. Our product strategy is to help maintain high customer loyalty throughout their potential life cycle. In 2019, repeat customers accounted for approximately 67% of new loan volume. POS loans are instalment loans provided at physical or online points of sale to finance purchases of consumer goods. For borrowers who have proven strong creditworthiness, we leverage our customer lifecycle management system to cross-sell cash loans as well as revolving loan products, although we may also firstly engage with customers based on the latter products. These products are generally used for a broader range of consumption scenarios such as home redecoration, travel, healthcare and education.

The group has been growing omni channel distribution capacity both off-line, online and a combination of both. We have been leveraging on a growing number of diverse corporate partnership to distribute products to our customers such as telco companies, retailers. To reach a broader population of customers through referrals, we have been growing our network of tipplers, who are usually employees of our retailer partners and who refer customers to our POS outlets. Online we partner with more than 1,000 eshop and ecommerce portal to distribute our products. We also have a unique reach in the off line world with a capacity to offer services in more than 477,000 POS operated by retail chains and local and small entrepreneurs. We also leverage on our POS network, to implement an integrated approval process where some customers starting their application online are directed to the nearest POS where our sales agent will verify their identity and/or assist them to complete their application thus allowing to onboard customers which would have not been approved in a pure online channel.

As an increasing proportion of customers are buying products or services over the internet, including through mobile apps, our online sales channels have become an essential part of our omni-channel offering to our customers. Online sales operated by our operating companies includes (1) online points of sale, (2) our mobile apps, (3) own or third parties websites, and (4) telemarketing and SMS.

In 2019, we have focused on improving our Market Place and other online channels. Market Place is a feature within our mobile apps, through which its users can purchase goods and services provided by our POS partners online using a loan provided by our operating companies. Whenever the mobile app users are ready to pay for their purchases, they apply for a POS loan, typically with “zero interest rate”. We launched our Market Place in Russia in 2017 and subsequently rolled it out in China, India and Indonesia in 2019. We plan to roll it out in due course in other countries in which we operate. Our app across all

² Excluding the USA

our markets currently has 70 million registered users, in some market these apps are amongst the most popular financial apps.

In some countries, besides classical sale assisted by our own sales agent on-site, the customers can even self-handle the entire application process for a POS loan by scanning their documents, their faces and selected products on our service tablets which offer also a selection from loan parameters. The loan decision prompts on the screen while customer shops and signals to the shop personnel that payment has been made by a loan. Customers can opt also for an assisted self-service. This represents a process when a call-centre operator provides a guidance to a customer over the video call on the service tablet.

In Russia we have developed a brokerage platform, where we partner with other financial institutions, such as banks, and offer them the opportunity to underwrite a loan to a customer who has applied through our application process. Under this arrangement, we only handle the application process. This model serves as an alternative to funding the loans ourselves while still generating fee income from the financial institutions as our brokerage partners and enables us to share the costs of the sales channels with our brokerage partners. We carry no credit risk with respect to a brokered loan which is underwritten by our brokerage partner. Our brokerage model has the potential to expand our business without requiring funding. We plan to roll out our brokerage model in other countries, subject to local regulatory requirements and negotiating appropriate arrangements with our brokerage partner.

We also have joint lending agreements in China, India and Indonesia. To the extent possible, we plan to roll out joint lending arrangements in the other countries in which we operate. In a joint lending arrangement, we act as a co-creditor in an agreed proportion in conjunction with our joint lending partner. In a typical joint lending arrangement, we provide 10% of the loan and the joint lending partner provides 90% of the loan. We are responsible for customer origination and handling the collection process. The loan to our customer is typically underwritten by both us and the joint lending partner. Each party recognises its share on its balance sheet, and is responsible for any impairment of its share. There is no recourse to one another. The customer is the debtor to both of the funding partners although usually just one contract is signed with the customer and the customer only deals with us as the joint lending manager. The underwriting process for loans originated under a joint lending arrangement is the same as for our other loans.

Technology is central to our operations. It has been deployed in the underwriting process which is mostly paper less and fully automated with a median time to decision of less than 30 seconds. We have implemented Biometric identification in our KYC process including face recognition, iris and/or fingerprint scanning, to verify our customer's identity. Biometric identification is an efficient tool which helps us to (i) increase accuracy in identifying a customer, (ii) increase the speed of filling out an application by importing the customer's information from our data sources, and (iii) protect our customers against identity theft. We have been partnering with third parties in embedding our network and capacity in their KYC process. We believe to be amongst the largest user of big data, connecting with more than 228 data providers as part of our underwriting process. For routine processes, approximately 90% of the collection calls made by our voicebots are completed without transferring the call to a human call agent. We plan to further leverage voicebot technology across the group. We expect that this technology and approach will, over time, enable us to further improve efficiency.

Our funding activities are primarily carried out at the country level but are based on centrally established strategies under the control of centralised functions. The funding strategy is driven by four key principles: (1) diversifying our funding instruments and funding partners, as of end of 2019, we had 210 lending partners; (2) reducing capital requirement and funding cost; (3) matching the term of our funding to our loan product portfolio maturity to lower our liquidity risk and manage asset-liability mismatches; and (4) ensuring that we do not have foreign exchange mismatches.

Key Operational Achievement

The group retained its leadership position in POS lending, ranking #1 in most markets in which we operate to the exception of India where we rank number two.

New business volume in 2019 was EUR 21.4 bn and total assets and equity were respectively EUR 26.6 bn and EUR 2.9 bn. The total number of customers served stood at 132M at the end of 2019. We had a net profit of EUR 400 Mn.

Our growth was supported by increased distribution capacity and more effective CRM. We further leveraged on third parties and technology for distributing our products. We entered into a number of important partnerships including amongst others with Webank in China, Vodafone in India. We deployed technology for self-serving or remote sales as well as referral programs, number of tippers grew to more than 763,000 at the end of 2019 after being rolled out in 2018. In 2019, we granted close to 27 mn loans or 1 loan every second.

Technology was further deployed across the group in particular in KYC and antifraud through the use of biometrics and OCR. The launch of voice bot and chat bots is now widely in use for the early part of our collection processes in countries supporting higher activity volume at lower cost with no negative impact on customer satisfaction.

During the year, we obtained new credit card license in Philippines and we rolled out new revolving products in CEE, CIS and China, some of which have encountered great success. Revolving products had a strong growth in CEE and CIS with a number of new features launched successfully but also in China after the introduction of new payment products imbedded in our app.

We have received awards and been recognised across different market such as Consumer Finance Company providing the best customer experience in China based on Tsinghua University or in Czech Republic based on KPMG; in the Philippines, we were named Best Consumer Finance Company by Global Banking and Finance. We have also been recognised as best employer in Asia Pacific, India and Philippines according to Kincentric.

CSR

HCGBV's corporate social responsibility philosophy is centered on promoting financial inclusion, and specifically on creating the conditions that facilitate financially inclusive societies. We understand that our place in the financial industry gives us an important role in enhancing financial inclusion, as we can often be the first touchpoint for people encountering the regulated financial system. There are three broad pillars under which our activities fall: (i) education, and financial literacy in particular; (ii) poverty reduction; and (iii) direct aid to the communities where we operate. Each of these pillars makes a distinctive contribution towards our CSR ambition. In 2019, we engaged in more than 30 programmes in various forms, which have reached over 3 million people in our communities. We recognize that our employees may also have other topics close to their hearts – something that is particularly true in markets where charitable giving is not yet institutionalized. We encourage and support these efforts through initiatives like granting working time to volunteering activities, matching employee donations for selected projects, and lending our professional expertise to non-profit organizations.

Financial literacy and education more broadly are prerequisites for customers in emerging markets to be able to make full and effective use not just of consumer lending, but to lead financially secure lives while sustainably improving their living standards. The primary focus of these initiatives is to educate people about credit and promote responsible borrowing practices, teach communities the principles of money management and household budgeting, and focus on children and students in order to help them become more responsible adults. To this end, each of our countries runs financial literacy programmes tailored to their cultural contexts. A few examples include: (i) The “Juan, Two, Three” roving series of workshops in 175 urban and rural communities in the Philippines, which reached over 25,000 households in 2019 alone, (ii) “Kids and Money” which is a fully-fledged financial literacy curriculum for children aged between 5 and 18 in Russian and Kazakh, which has been presented to hundreds of schools in over 30 cities in the two countries, and has won plaudits from the Russian Ministry of Finance as well as

prominent NGOs; (iii) Cutting-edge methods of financial literacy education such as gamification and targeted lesson delivery through our customer mobile apps in a majority of our markets.

We understand that economic development, including the development necessary to support consumer-led economies, require populations that have overcome poverty cycles that inhibit their ability to raise their standards of living. Our efforts in this area include (i) organizing “tech talks” and TEDx conferences in Kazakhstan, Indonesia and the Philippines to promote young entrepreneurs; (ii) Donations of bicycles, school materials and uniforms to hundreds of pupils in remote primary schools in Vietnam; (iii) providing cybercrime prevention training for Indian police forces in provinces across the entire country; or (iv) a comprehensive public health programme in China that includes organizing training for air ambulance crews in major urban centers by experts from the Czech Air Ambulance Service, training in infection control at emergency care centers, first aid training for first responders, and organizing of major incident training simulations for healthcare services.

In 2019, Home Credit contributed to relief efforts surrounding natural disasters in the Philippines, Indonesia and Vietnam, through donations and debt forgiveness or debt holidays for distressed customers. In terms of the latter, Home Credit helps communities lay the groundwork for development and future success through targeted projects, such as through supporting critical environmental initiatives, including planting 2,400 trees in the Czech Republic to mitigate against bark beetle infestations, or the reintroduction of the endangered Turan tiger to its natural habitat in the Kazakh steppe.

We have received numerous awards during 2019 including: AsiaMoney recognised us as The Best CSR Bank in Kazakhstan, Best CSR Fintech Company CSR Award at the 8th China Charity Festival and the Most Socially Responsible Consumer Finance in the Philippines by International Finance Awards.

Market conditions & environment

Our business is subject to the general economic conditions in each of the countries in which we operate. Consumption and retail patterns in these countries affect demand for our products. While many emerging countries are focusing on promoting the emergence of a middle class and supporting domestic consumption, our industry is also subject to evolving regulatory changes across our countries of operation. Furthermore, the industry in which we operate continues to be dynamic and fast changing with the emergence of new competitors, rapid digitalization and greater customer sophistication.

China our biggest market has been impacted by the ongoing US – China trade war which in part has negatively impacted the GDP growth rate in the country. Our business in China has been affected by certain significant legal and regulatory developments in the country. During 2019, the PRC government and our primary regulators in China, issued various laws and regulations with the objective of curtailing unsustainable lending activities in the market. These laws and regulations have had, and continue to have, a significant effect on the consumer finance sector in China. These laws and regulations were primarily targeting unlicensed players such as P2P companies. Amongst the main impact to our business was the introduction of an interest rate cap. The rate cap applied in China imposed a review of our product offering and a reduction of our net fee and commission income. We believe that these regulations will benefit us and support the development of a more sustainable and transparent consumer credit industry in China. In addition, during 2019, the Baoshang takeover situation impacted the entire market sentiment.

The India capital market also encountered some turmoil following payment default from domestic non bank financial institutions causing some head wind to our domestic funding raising efforts. At the same time, the government continued implementing reforms including in relation to tax.

2019 Review of Financial results

Consolidated financial highlights

	1/1/2019	1/1/2018
	31/12/2019	31/12/2018
Total assets (EUR bn)	26.59	23.65
Net loans (EUR bn)	20.19	17.46
Deposits (EUR bn)	7.35	6.78
Total equity (EUR bn)	2.87	2.15
Profit before Tax (EUR mn)	613	469
Net Profit (EUR mn)	400	422
Net interest margin	15.5%	15.5%
Operating income to assets ratio	16.0%	16.7%
Cost of risk	8.6%	9.5%
Cost to income ratio	42.6%	44.3%
NPL	5.6%	8.4%

In 2019, HCGBV continued to deliver a strong performance. Total assets grew by 12% from EUR 23.6 bn at the end of 2018 to EUR 26.6 bn at the end of 2019 driven by the 16% growth in net loans from EUR 17.5 bn to EUR 20.2 bn in the respective periods. Amongst our three loan categories, cash loan grew by 17% and revolving products by 51%.

The Group continued to diversify its funding during 2019. Debt securities increased as a proportion of total funding from 8.7% in 2018 to 10.7% in 2019 with the continued issuance of transactions across a number of our key countries of operation including: China, India and in Russia where we successfully issued a AT1 bond. In China we remain one of the largest issuers of ABS in the inter bank bond market. The group consolidated equity grew by 33% from EUR 2.2 bn at the end of 2018 to EUR 2.9 bn at the end of 2019 which further strengthen our equity to asset ratio from 9.1% to 10.8%.

The profit before tax for the Group grew by 31% from EUR 469 mn in 2018 to EUR 613 mn in 2019 demonstrating the continued strength of the franchise. However, the Group net income decreased slightly from EUR 422 mn in 2018 to EUR 400 mn in 2019 primarily due to (i) the decrease of fee income in China due to the regulatory changes and (ii) the increase in the tax expense compared to the previous year. Despite the headwinds, the Group was able to deliver an ROAA of 1.6% and an ROAE of 15.8% for 2019.

The interest income grew 16% from EUR 4.6 bn in 2018 to EUR 5.3 bn in 2019 which is in line with the growth in the loan portfolio while the net interest margin remained stable at 15.5% for the Group. The Fee and Commission income decreased by 29% from EUR 680 mn in 2018 to EUR 483 mn in 2019 primarily due to tightening interest rate cap regulations in China which limited our ability to offer additional products such as FPSP and recognise fee income from those products. We expect fee and commission to increase in the future. As a result, our operating income increased by 7% to EUR 4.2 bn in 2019 from EUR 4.0 bn in 2018 but our operating income to assets ratio decreased to 16.0% in 2019 from 16.7% in 2018.

Our cost of risk improved from 9.5% in 2018 to 8.6% during 2019, primarily due to the improvement in the credit quality of our loan portfolio as well as increased access to data and better customer segmentation. The NPL or loans past due greater than 90 days decreased from 8.4% to 5.6% due to ongoing derisking of our loan portfolio as well revising our write-down and recovery estimates to reflect the current business reality more precisely pursuant to regular review of our historical estimates. At the same time our NPL coverage ratio was strengthened to 130.6% in 2019 from 127.6% in 2018 as a result from improved asset quality.

The group continued to focus on enhancing its operating efficiency by further leveraging economies of scale as well as the use of technology in many parts of our business. In 2019, operating expenses increased by only 3% but this resulted in positive jaws with our cost-to-income ratio further decreasing from 44.3% to 42.6%.

While our profit before tax increased by 31% in 2019 our income tax expense increased by more than 4 times. Our income tax expense in 2018 was low, mainly due to the recognition of deferred tax assets in a number of countries including in India where the business in the country become profitable during that year. In 2019, we were no longer able to benefit from this and our tax rate is moving towards a more normalised level.

Each of our geographic clusters as well as countries in the emerging markets was profitable in 2019. China fees were impacted by the tightening interest rate cap regulations while cost-to-income ratio remained in the low 30%. The CIS and CEE saw an improvement in its results in line with growth of the business. SSEA saw significant underlying continued improved in the results as our franchise in the respective countries becomes more mature and we gain further critical scale. The group continued to support its other projects.

Financial Instruments and Risk Management

The Group's main strategic risk concerns the appropriateness of the selected business model, i.e. marketing, sales and risk strategies as well as the resources allocated to support the strategy. Such risks are mitigated through careful selection of the markets and calibrating start-up pilot projects on one hand and geographic diversification on the other hand. The Group is exposed to various risks as a result of its activities, primarily credit risk, liquidity risk, market risks (interest rate risk and currency risk), insurance risk and operational risk.

The Group's primary exposure to credit risk arises from the provision of consumer financing to private customers, which is the Group's principal business. Credit risk is managed both at the level of individual Group members and at the Group level.

Liquidity risk arises from the general funding of the Group's activities and from the management of its positions. The Group has access to a diversified funding base. Funds are raised using a broad range of instruments including deposits, debt securities, bank loans, subordinated debt and shareholders' equity.

All financial instruments and positions are subject to market risk: the risk that future changes in market conditions may change the value of the instrument. The majority of the Group's exposure to market risk arises in connection with the funding of the Group's operations with liabilities denominated in foreign currencies, and to the extent the term structure of interest-bearing assets differs from that of liabilities.

The main risk faced by the Group as part of the insurance business is the difference in actual and expected claims for insurance benefits and claims. Price risk arises as insurance premiums may not be sufficient to cover future losses and expenses on insurance contracts. To manage price risk the Group regularly analyses profitability and makes appropriate adjustments in pricing and underwriting policies. Reserve deficiency risk arises from the uncertainty regarding the development of loss reserves in the future and takes into account the likelihood that insurance reserves are insufficient to meet the Group's obligations to policyholders. Managing this risk is performed through regular checking of the adequacy of loss reserves and loss analysis of insurance products.

Operational risk is the risk arising from a wide variety of causes associated with the Group's processes, personnel, technology and infrastructure, and from external factors other than credit, market and liquidity risks such as those arising from legal and regulatory requirements, financial reporting and generally accepted standards of corporate behaviour. The Group's objective is to manage operational risk so as to balance the avoidance of financial losses and damage to the Group's reputation with overall cost effectiveness and to avoid control procedures that restrict initiative and creativity.

For detailed information on risk management see Note [4] of the consolidated financial statements.

Staff development, environmental influence and research and development

At the end of 2019 we had 123,888 employees. The impact of the Group's operations on the environment is not quantified as it is considered insignificant thanks to amongst fully paperless process. The Group dedicates ample resources to research and development activities, primarily in the area of the development of consumer finance IT systems.

Board

The size and composition of the Board of Directors and the combined experience and expertise of their members should reflect the best fit for the profile and strategy of the company. This aim for the best fit, in combination with the availability of qualifying candidates, has resulted in HCGBV currently having a Board of Directors in which all seven members are male. In order to increase gender diversity on the Board of Directors, in accordance with article 2:276 section 2 of the Dutch Civil Code, HCGBV pays close attention to gender diversity in the process of recruiting and appointing new members of the Board of Directors. HCGBV will retain an active and open attitude as regards selecting female candidates. Home Credit group has made a number of appointments to the board of Home Credit N.V. one of its key subsidiaries; out of the nine directors, four are independents and three are women.

Code of Conduct

Group's reputation and integrity are ones of its most important assets and has been instrumental in its business success. Group designed and implemented in the relevant Group entities Code of Business Conduct and Ethics. The purpose of the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics is to promote honest, ethical and professional business conduct and to ensure compliance with laws, regulations, rules, related self-regulatory organisation standards, and codes of conduct applicable to Group's activities worldwide in order to protect the business and reputation of the Group as well as the best interests of Group's shareholders and other stakeholders. Obligation to conduct the Group entities' business in an honest and ethical manner also includes the handling of actual, apparent and potential conflicts of interest, obligation of discretion and confidentiality, records keeping, protection and proper use of Group assets etc. The Group holds itself to high standards when carrying on business, and at all times strives to observe the spirit as well as the letter of the law.

Recent Events and Business outlook

In early January 2020, HCGBV announced that Jean-Pascal Duvieusart, a member of the Board will become CEO of the Home Credit N.V. and Ondřej Frydrych who was previously CEO of Home Credit N.V. will return to lead our operations in China as CEO of the country. The changes were made to continue the execution of the Group strategy in a dynamic and fast changing industry with ongoing regulatory tightening, emergence of new competitors, rapid digitalization and greater customer sophistication.

The coronavirus outbreak which started at the end of 2019 is having a significant impact on China's economy and may potentially spread to other countries as well as affect the global economy. Our business in China has been profitable over the past five years and is expected to be resilient in moments of stress. As China starts going back to work, we are fully operational and able to leverage our omni channel distribution model, multiple call centers and strong online services. We have a diversified business with operations in 312 cities across the country. Furthermore, our business has the ability to quickly adapt our strategies to the external environment as demonstrated in other jurisdictions. Furthermore, we will be able to leverage our online distribution as well as advanced technologies to manage the quality of our portfolio. It is still early to fully assess the impact of the coronavirus outbreak on our operations but our business will be temporally impacted like many others in China. Our new volume in the short-term will be lower due to the imposed epidemic constraints on customer movements. During February, we have seen our loan volumes steadily increasing as activity in the country resumes. Our collections are running close to normal levels during the same period. In China, close to 100% of our collection are done in electronic form. We expect to see a slight increase in NPL levels in the short term. Our balance sheet remains solid, our relationship with partners is strong and we have the capacity to manage potential

shocks in the short term. We remain confident the authorities will win the battle to effectively manage the virus.

To help with the current Covid-19 situation, Home Credit has (i) donated RMB 1 million to the Hubei Province Charity Federation; (ii) provided RMB 1 million to support our employees and their families in Hubei Province; (iii) we matched any further employee contributions for this cause; and (iv) donated a first batch of 4.5 tons emergency medical supplies jointly with Sotio (a PPF Group biotech company) worth approximately RMB 1.3 million which included: protective masks, suits, gloves, goggles and respirators. A second batch of was donated in late February and in total we have donated close to 11 tons of supplies to help against the outbreak.

During February 2020, HCGBV announced that after reevaluating the Velvon project in Germany, it has decided to wind down the operations as it does not support the Group's renewed strategic focus on building long-standing relationships with customers in its core, high-growth markets.

12 March 2020

Board of Directors:	
Jiří Šmejč	Rudolf Bosveld
<i>Chairman of the Board of Directors</i>	<i>Member of the Board of Directors</i>
Mel Gerard Carvill	Jean-Pascal Duvieusart
<i>Member of the Board of Directors</i>	<i>Member of the Board of Directors</i>
Jan Cornelis Jansen	Paulus Aloysius de Reijke
<i>Member of the Board of Directors</i>	<i>Member of the Board of Directors</i>
Marcel Marinus van Santen	
<i>Member of the Board of Directors</i>	

**Consolidated Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2019**

Home Credit Group B.V.
Consolidated Statement of Financial Position
as at 31 December 2019

	Note	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	7	3,288	3,362
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	8	30	21
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	9	355	462
Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	10	444	314
Loans to customers	11	20,185	17,462
Investment securities at amortized cost	12	719	761
Assets classified as held for sale	13	2	3
Current income tax receivables		26	8
Investments in associates	14	28	27
Property and equipment	15	316	181
Intangible assets and goodwill	16	380	287
Deferred tax assets	17	422	423
Other assets	18	395	336
Total assets		<u>26,590</u>	<u>23,647</u>
LIABILITIES			
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	19	31	21
Current accounts and deposits from customers	20	7,348	6,776
Due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	21	12,979	11,966
Debt securities issued	22	2,449	1,795
Subordinated liabilities	23	15	199
Current income tax liabilities		33	82
Deferred tax liabilities	17	13	9
Insurance and other provisions	24	54	42
Other liabilities	25	795	603
Total liabilities		<u>23,717</u>	<u>21,493</u>
EQUITY			
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company			
Share capital	26	1,000	1,000
Share premium	26	628	628
Statutory reserves	26	144	114
Foreign currency translation	26	(658)	(770)
Reserve for business combinations under common control	26	(153)	(153)
Hedge reserve	26	(2)	-
Revaluation reserve	26	1	-
Other reserves	26	1,884	1,318
Total equity attributable to equity holders of the Company		<u>2,844</u>	<u>2,137</u>
Non-controlling interests	27	<u>29</u>	<u>17</u>
Total equity		<u>2,873</u>	<u>2,154</u>
Total liabilities and equity		<u>26,590</u>	<u>23,647</u>

Home Credit Group B.V.
Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income
for the year ended 31 December 2019

	Note	2019 MEUR	2018 MEUR
Interest income	29	5,325	4,601
Interest expense	29	<u>(1,662)</u>	<u>(1,384)</u>
Net interest income		3,663	3,217
Fee and commission income	30	661	837
Fee and commission expense	31	<u>(178)</u>	<u>(157)</u>
Net fee and commission income		483	680
Net insurance income	32	17	17
Net (losses)/gains on financial assets and liabilities	33	(18)	2
Other operating income	34	<u>104</u>	<u>37</u>
Operating income		4,249	3,953
Impairment losses on financial assets	35	(1,823)	(1,729)
Personnel expenses and Other operating expenses	36	(1,594)	(1,559)
Rental, maintenance and repairs		(33)	(77)
Depreciation and amortization		<u>(183)</u>	<u>(114)</u>
Operating expenses		(3,633)	(3,479)
Losses on disposals/liquidations of associates and subsidiaries		(3)	(8)
Share of earnings in associates		<u>-</u>	<u>3</u>
Profit before tax		613	469
Income tax expense	37	<u>(213)</u>	<u>(47)</u>
Net profit from continuing operations for the period		400	422
Profit/(loss) attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		417	445
Non-controlling interests	27	<u>(17)</u>	<u>(23)</u>
Net profit for the period		400	422
Other comprehensive (loss)/income which will be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss:			
Currency translation		113	(138)
Revaluation of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income		1	(14)
Revaluation of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income transferred to profit or loss		-	15
Cash flow hedge reserve		(2)	-
Income tax relating to components of other comprehensive income		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the period		112	(137)
Total comprehensive income for the period		512	285
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		529	308
Non-controlling interests		<u>(17)</u>	<u>(23)</u>
Total comprehensive income for the period		512	285

Home Credit Group B.V.
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity
for the year ended 31 December 2019

	Attributable to equity holders of the Company										
	Share capital	Share premium	Statutory reserves	Foreign currency translation	Reserve for business combinations under common control	Revaluation reserve	Hedge reserve	Other reserves	Total	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR
Balance as at 1 January 2019	1,000	628	114	(770)	(153)	-	-	1,318	2,137	17	2,154
Issue of AT1 subordinated bond	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	182	182	-	182
Other changes in non-controlling interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(4)	(4)	29	25
Transfers	-	-	29	-	-	-	-	(29)	-	-	-
Total	1,000	628	143	(770)	(153)	-	-	1,467	2,315	46	2,361
Currency translation	-	-	1	112	-	-	-	-	113	-	113
Revaluation gains/ (losses) on financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1
Change in cash flow hedge reserve, net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2)	-	(2)	-	(2)
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	417	417	(17)	400
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	1	112	-	1	(2)	417	529	(17)	512
Total changes	-	-	30	112	-	1	(2)	566	707	12	719
Balance as at 31 December 2019	1,000	628	144	(658)	(153)	1	(2)	1,884	2,844	29	2,873

Home Credit Group B.V.
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity
for the year ended 31 December 2019

	Attributable to equity holders of the Company							Total	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
	Share capital	Share premium	Statutory reserves	Foreign currency translation	Reserve for business combinations under common control	Revaluation reserve	Other reserves			
	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR			
Balance as at 31 December 2017	7	-	82	(649)	1,481	(1)	1,100	2,020	15	2,035
Transition impact, net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	(203)	(203)	-	(203)
Balance as at 1 January 2018	7	-	82	(649)	1,481	(1)	897	1,817	15	1,832
Disposal/deconsolidation of subsidiaries	-	-	(1)	17	(13)	-	9	12	-	12
Contribution in kind (reverse acquisition)	993	353	-	-	(1,346)	-	-	-	-	-
Share premium increase	-	275	-	-	(275)	-	-	-	-	-
Other changes in non-controlling interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	25
Transfers	-	-	33	-	-	-	(33)	-	-	-
Total	1,000	628	114	(632)	(153)	(1)	873	1,829	40	1,869
Currency translation	-	-	-	(138)	-	-	-	(138)	-	(138)
Revaluation gains/ (losses) on financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	(14)	-	(14)	-	(14)
Revaluation of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income transferred to profit or loss, net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	15	-	15
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	445	445	(23)	422
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	(138)	-	1	445	308	(23)	285
Total changes	993	628	32	(121)	(1,634)	1	218	117	2	119
Balance as at 31 December 2018	1,000	628	114	(770)	(153)	-	1,318	2,137	17	2,154

	Note	2019 MEUR	2018 MEUR
Operating activities			
Profit before tax		613	469
Adjustments for:			
Interest expense	29	1,662	1,384
Interest income	29	(5,325)	(4,601)
Net loss/gain on disposal of property, equipment and intangible assets		2	(2)
Net loss on disposal of subsidiaries and associates		3	8
Impairment losses	35,36	1,825	1,734
Share of earnings in associates		-	(3)
Depreciation and amortization		183	114
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Net operating cash flow before changes in working capital		(1,037)	(897)
Change in due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies		(108)	84
Change in loans to customers		(4,356)	(4,726)
Change in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		(4)	13
Change in other assets		(61)	(4)
Change in held for sale assets		1	-
Change in current accounts and deposits from customers		102	445
Change in financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss		10	(301)
Change in other liabilities and insurance and other provisions		72	(21)
Effects of foreign currency translation on items other than cash and cash equivalents		(12)	349
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Cash flows used in the operations		(5,393)	(5,058)
Interest paid		(1,587)	(1,652)
Interest received		5,645	4,877
Income tax paid		(265)	(154)
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Cash flows used in operating activities		(1,600)	(1,987)
Investing activities			
Proceeds from sale of property, equipment and intangible assets		9	26
Acquisition of property, equipment and intangible assets		(236)	(194)
Proceeds from sale of subsidiaries and associates		-	(11)
Acquisition of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income		(970)	(2,377)
Proceeds from sale of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income		1,134	2,549
Acquisition of Investment securities at amortized cost		45	1
Acquisition of investment in associate		(1)	(24)
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Cash flows from/ (used in) investing activities		(19)	(30)
Financing activities			
Proceeds from the issue of debt securities (including subordinated)		2,038	1,895
Repayment of debt securities issued (including subordinated)		(1,598)	(1,254)
Proceeds from due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies		23,300	17,017
Repayment of due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies		(22,391)	(15,261)
Proceeds from the issue of AT1 subordinated bond		182	-
Payments of lease liabilities		(44)	-
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Cash flows from financing activities		1,487	2,397
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(132)	380
Cash and cash equivalents as at 1 January		3,362	3,028
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		58	(46)
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Cash and cash equivalents as at 31 December	7	3,288	3,362

1. Description of the Group

Home Credit Group B.V. (the “Company”) was incorporated on 20 September 2017 in the Netherlands.

Registered office

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1077 XX Amsterdam
The Netherlands

In reverse acquisition effective 8 May 2018, PPF Financial Holdings B.V. and Emma Omega Ltd. contributed its shares in Home Credit N.V. into equity of Home Credit Group B.V. For accounting purposes, the legal acquiree Home Credit N.V. was identified as the acquiring entity. Consequently, these consolidated financial statements represent the continuation of the financial statements of Home Credit N.V. except the capital structure, which has been adjusted to reflect the capital structure of Home Credit Group B.V.

Home Credit Group B.V. is a subsidiary of PPF Financial Holdings B.V. and Emma Omega Ltd. PPF Financial Holdings B.V. is a subsidiary of PPF Group N.V. The ultimate controlling person of Home Credit Group B.V. is Mr. Petr Kellner, who exercises control through PPF Group N.V. and PPF Financial Holdings B.V.

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the “Group”) are the provision of consumer financing to private individual customers as well as deposit taking, saving and current bank account service and maintenance, payments, insurance and other services.

The Group operates in 10 countries which are split into five clusters: China; South and South East Asia (“SSEA”) which includes our businesses in India, Indonesia, Philippines and Vietnam; Commonwealth of Independent States (“CIS”) which includes our businesses in Russia and Kazakhstan; Central and Eastern Europe (“CEE”), which includes our businesses in Czech and Slovakia; and Other which includes our business in the USA as well as other projects or entities which are in early stage of development

Board of Directors

Jiří Šmejc	Chairman
Jean-Pascal Duvieusart	Member
Mel Gerard Carvill	Member
Jan Cornelis Jansen	Member
Rudolf Bosveld	Member
Paulus Aloysius de Reijke	Member
Marcel Marinus van Santen	Member
Ondřej Frydrych (until June 1, 2019)	Vice-chairman
Christoph Glaser (from June 1, 2019 to July 11, 2019)	Member

1. Description of the Group (continued)

Consolidated subsidiaries	Country of incorporation	Ownership interest (%)*	
		31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
Guangdong Home Credit Number Two Information Consulting Co., Ltd.	China	100.00	100.00
Home Credit Consumer Finance Co., Ltd.	China	100.00	100.00
Sichuan Home Credit Number Three Socioeconomic Consulting Co., Ltd. ¹⁾	China	100.00	100.00
Shenzhen Home Credit Xinchu Consulting Co., Ltd.	China	100.00	100.00
Shenzhen Home Credit Number One Consulting Co., Ltd.	China	100.00	100.00
Redlione (LLC) ¹⁾	Cyprus	100.00	100.00
Astavedo Limited ¹⁾	Cyprus	100.00	100.00
Enadoco Limited	Cyprus	100.00	100.00
Rhaskos Finance Limited ¹⁾	Cyprus	100.00	100.00
Septus Holding Limited ¹⁾	Cyprus	100.00	100.00
Sylinder Capital Limited ¹⁾	Cyprus	100.00	100.00
Talpa Estero Limited ¹⁾	Cyprus	100.00	100.00
Air Bank (JSC)	Czech Republic	100.00	100.00
Benxy (LLC) / Zonky (LLC) ²⁾	Czech Republic	100.00	100.00
Home Credit (JSC)	Czech Republic	100.00	100.00
Home Credit International (JSC)	Czech Republic	100.00	100.00
HC Broker (LLC) ¹⁾	Czech Republic	100.00	100.00
HC Advisory Services (LLC)	Czech Republic	100.00	100.00
Autotým (LLC) ³⁾	Czech Republic	-	100.00
My Air (LLC)	Czech Republic	100.00	100.00
ABDE Holding s.r.o.	Czech Republic	100.00	100.00
Home Credit Egypt Trade S.A.E. ³⁾	Egypt	-	100.00
Velvon GmbH / Innoble GmbH ⁴⁾	Germany	100.00	100.00
AB-X Projekt GmbH ⁵⁾	Germany	100.00	-
Favour Ocean Limited	Hong Kong	100.00	100.00
Home Credit Asia Limited	Hong Kong	100.00	100.00
Saint World Limited	Hong Kong	100.00	100.00
Home Credit India Finance Private Limited	India	100.00	100.00
Home Credit India Strategic Advisory Services Private Limited ¹⁾	India	100.00	100.00
PT. Home Credit Indonesia	Indonesia	85.00	85.00
AB Structured Funding 1 Designated Activity Company ⁶⁾	Ireland	0.00	100.00
Bank Home Credit SB JSC	Kazakhstan	100.00	100.00
Forward leasing LLP ⁷⁾	Kazakhstan	100.00	-
Qazbiz partners LLP ⁷⁾	Kazakhstan	100.00	-
Eurasia Capital S.A. ⁸⁾	Luxembourg	0.00	0.00
AB 2 B.V.	Netherlands	100.00	100.00
AB 4 B.V.	Netherlands	100.00	100.00
AB 7 B.V.	Netherlands	100.00	100.00
HC Asia B.V.	Netherlands	100.00	100.00
Home Credit India B.V.	Netherlands	100.00	100.00
Home Credit Indonesia B.V.	Netherlands	100.00	100.00
HC Philippines Holdings B.V.	Netherlands	100.00	100.00
Home Credit N.V. / Home Credit B.V. ⁹⁾	Netherlands	100.00	100.00
Vsegda Da N.V. / Home Credit Lab N.V. ¹⁰⁾	Netherlands	100.00	100.00
Eurasia Structured Finance No.3 B.V. ⁸⁾	Netherlands	0.00	0.00
Eurasia Structured Finance No.4 B.V. ⁸⁾	Netherlands	0.00	0.00

* The sign “-“ means the entity was not yet incorporated, was not yet a subsidiary of the Group or ceased to be a subsidiary of the Group during those financial periods.

¹⁾ Subsidiary is under liquidation since 4Q 2019.

²⁾ Zonky (LLC) was renamed to Benxy (LLC) in 2019.

³⁾ Subsidiary was liquidated during the year 2019.

⁴⁾ Innoble GmbH was renamed to Velvon GmbH in 2019.

⁵⁾ Subsidiary was acquired in 2019.

⁶⁾ Subsidiary was sold during 4Q 2019.

⁷⁾ Subsidiary was established in 2019.

⁸⁾ Special purpose entities established to facilitate the Group's issues of debt securities and subordinated liabilities.

⁹⁾ Home Credit B.V. changes its legal structure to Home Credit N.V. in 2019.

¹⁰⁾ Home Credit Lab N.V. was renamed to Vsegda Da N.V. in 2019.

1. Description of the Group (continued)

Consolidated subsidiaries	Country of incorporation	Ownership interest (%)	
		31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
HC Consumer Finance Philippines, Inc.	Philippines	100.00	100.00
HCPH Financing 1, Inc.	Philippines	100.00	100.00
HCPH Insurance Brokerage, Inc. / HCPH2 Financing, Inc. ¹¹⁾	Philippines	100.00	100.00
Filcommerce Holdings, Inc.	Philippines	100.00	100.00
Home Credit and Finance Bank (LLC)	Russian Federation	100.00	100.00
Financial Innovations (LLC)	Russian Federation	100.00	100.00
Forward leasing Limited Liability Company (LLC) / Home Credit Online LLC ¹²⁾	Russian Federation	100.00	100.00
MCC Kupi ne kopi (LLC)	Russian Federation	100.00	100.00
Home Credit Insurance (LLC)	Russian Federation	100.00	100.00
HC Finance (LLC) ¹³⁾	Russian Federation	0.00	0.00
Vsegda Da LLC ¹⁴⁾	Russian Federation	100.00	-
Home Credit Slovakia (JSC)	Slovak Republic	100.00	100.00
Home Credit US (LLC)	USA	50.10	50.10
Home Credit US Holding (LLC)	USA	100.00	100.00
HC Finance USA LLC ¹⁵⁾	USA	100.00	-
Home Credit Vietnam Finance Company Limited	Vietnam	100.00	100.00

¹¹⁾ HCPH2 Financing, Inc. was renamed to HCPH Insurance Brokerage, Inc. in 2019.

¹²⁾ Home Credit Online LLC was renamed to Forward leasing Limited Liability Company in 2018.

¹³⁾ Special purpose entities established to facilitate the Group's issues of debt securities and subordinated liabilities.

¹⁴⁾ The entity was acquired in June 2019.

¹⁵⁾ Subsidiary was established in 2019.

The special purpose entities were established by the Group with the primary objective of raising finance through the issuance of debt securities and subordinated debt including loan portfolio securitizations. These entities are run according to pre-determined criteria that are part of their initial design. The day-to-day servicing is carried out by the Group under servicing contracts; other key decisions are also made by the Group. In addition, the Group is exposed to a variability of returns from the entities through exposure to tax benefits and cost savings related to the funding activities. As a result, the Group concludes that it controls these entities.

Associates	Country of incorporation	Ownership interest (%)	
		31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
Společnost pro informační databáze (JSC)	Czech Republic	27.96	27.96
Equifax Credit Services (LLC)	Russian Federation	25.00	25.00
Barion Payment Zrt.	Hungary	20.00	20.00
Nymbus, Inc.	USA	13.92	20.23
Eureka Analytics PTE. LTD.	Singapore	24.50	26.70

2. Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the “Group”).

Information relating to the year ended 31 December 2018 have been prepared and presented in accordance with the reverse acquisition principle.

(a) Basis of preparation and presentation

The consolidated financial statements set out in this report have been prepared in accordance with all applicable International Financial Reporting Standards as endorsed by the European Union (the “EU IFRSs”), which collective term includes all applicable individual International Financial Reporting Standards, International Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (the “IASB”) as endorsed by European Union (“EU”) and with Section 2:362(9) of the Netherlands Civil Code (hereafter “NCC”). Further details of the significant accounting policies adopted are set out in Note 3. These accounting policies have been applied consistently to all periods presented in the consolidated financial statements unless otherwise indicated.

EU IFRSs may differ from IFRSs issued by the IASB if, at any reporting time, new or amended IFRSs and Interpretations issued by the IASB have not yet been endorsed by the EU. As at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2019, there were no unendorsed accounting standards effective for the accounting periods beginning on 1 January 2018 and 1 January 2019, respectively, affecting the consolidated financial statements. As a consequence there was no difference between EU IFRSs and IFRSs issued by the IASB in terms of their application to the Group and the Company.

Despite the fact that the consolidated financial statements as at 31 December 2018 were prepared for the fifteen-month period (from 1 October 2017 to 31 December 2018), the Group decided to present financial statements as at 31 December 2019 on twelve-month comparable period (from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018) which is in line with NCC, Section 2.9.2., article 2.363, point 5; as the Group believes that this presentation provides reliable and more relevant information to users of the financial statements. This revised presentation is likely to continue so that future comparability is not impaired.

The Company has also prepared the unconsolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019 for the twelve-month period (from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018), which have been prepared in accordance with IFRSs, including IASs, promulgated by the IASB and interpretations issued by the IFRIC of the IASB as adopted by the European Union.

This is the first set of the Group’s financial statements in which IFRS 16 *Leases* has been applied. Changes to significant accounting policies are described in Note 3.

In addition to IFRS 16, following amendments were effective from 1 January 2019:

- Amendments to IFRS 9 Financial Instruments: Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation
- Amendments to IAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures: Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures
- Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2015-2017 Cycle
- Amendments to IAS 19: Plan Amendment, Curtailment or Settlement
- IFRIC 23 Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments

All above-mentioned amendments did not have any significant impact on the Group’s consolidated financial statements.

(b) Basis of measurement

These consolidated financial statements are prepared on the historic cost basis except for financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss and financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income are measured at fair value. Financial assets and liabilities and non-financial assets and liabilities which are valued at historic cost are stated at amortized cost or historic cost, as appropriate, net of any relevant impairment.

2. Basis of preparation (continued)

(c) Presentation and functional currency

These consolidated financial statements are presented in Euro (EUR), which is the Company's functional currency and Group's presentation currency. Financial information presented in EUR has been rounded to the nearest million (MEUR), unless otherwise indicated.

(d) Use of estimates and judgments

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historic experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of the judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that cannot readily be determined from other sources. The actual values may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

The areas where estimates and judgments have the most significant impact are recognition of deferred tax asset and measurement of impairment. In particular, information about significant areas of estimation, uncertainty and critical judgments made by management in preparing these consolidated financial statements is described in Note 3(e)(vi), Note 3(j), Note 3(u), Note 11 and Note 17.

During 2019, the Group also assessed and subsequently revised its estimation of expected credit loss' model. As a result the Group changed the credit loss estimate at the time of the write-off and aligned the estimate with latest expectation of recoveries.

3. Significant accounting policies

If not stated otherwise, the accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements and by all Group entities.

(a) Changes in accounting policies from 1 January 2019

The Group has adopted IFRS 16 *Leases* from 1 January 2019. A number of other new standards are also adopted by the Group from 1 January 2019 but they do not have a material effect on the Group's financial statements.

IFRS 16 introduced a single, on-balance sheet accounting model for lessees. As a result, the Group, as a lessee, has recognised right-of-use assets representing its rights to use the underlying assets and lease liabilities representing its obligation to make lease payments. Lessor accounting remains similar to previous accounting policies.

Except for the changes below, the Group has consistently applied the accounting policies to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements.

IFRS 16 Leases (adopted from 1 January 2019)

In January 2016 IASB issued a new standard on leases. The standard requires companies to bring most leases on-balance sheet, recognising new assets and liabilities. IFRS 16 eliminates the classification of leases as either operating or finance for lessees and, instead, introduces a single lessee accounting model. This model reflects that leases result in a company obtaining the right to use an asset (the 'lease asset') at the start of the lease and, because most lease payments are made over time, also obtaining financing. As a result, the new standard requires lessees to account for all of their leases in a manner similar to how finance leases were treated applying IAS 17. IFRS 16 includes two exemptions from recognising assets and liabilities for (a) short-term leases (i.e. leases of 12 months or less) and (b) leases of low-value items.

The Group has adopted IFRS 16 as issued by the IASB in January 2016 with a date of transition of 1 January 2019, which resulted in changes in accounting policies and adjustments to the amounts previously recognised in the financial statements. The Group did not early adopt any of IFRS 16 in previous periods.

The Group has applied IFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach, under which the cumulative effect of initial application is recognised in retained earnings at 1 January 2019. Accordingly, the comparative information presented for the the year ended 31 December 2018 and for has not been restated – i.e. it is presented, as previously reported, under IAS 17 and related interpretations. The details of the changes in accounting policies are disclosed below.

Definition of a lease

Previously, the Group determined at contract inception whether an arrangement was or contained a lease under IFRIC 4 *Determining Whether an Arrangement contains a Lease*. The Group now assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease based on the new definition of a lease. Under IFRS 16, a contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys a right to control the use of an identified asset for the period of time in exchange for consideration.

As a lessee

As a lessee, the Group previously classified leases as operating or finance leases based on its assessment of whether the lease transferred substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership. Under IFRS 16, the Group recognises right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for most leases – i.e. these leases are on-balance sheet.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

The Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, and subsequently at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

“Property, plant and equipment” stated in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position comprise owned and leased assets that do not meet the definition of investment property.

	MEUR
Property, plant and equipment owned	171
Right-of-use assets, except for investment property	145
Balance at 31 December 2019	316

The carrying amount of right-of-use assets are as below.

in MEUR	Right-of-use assets	
	Property	Total
Balance at 1 January 2019	166	166
Additions	25	25
Disposals	(4)	(4)
Depreciation charge for the period	(47)	(47)
Net FX differences	5	5
Balance at 31 December 2019	145	145

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Group’s incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the Group uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate.

The carrying amounts of lease liabilities are set below.

	2019
	MEUR
Maturity analysis – contractual undiscounted cash flows	
Less than one year	53
One to five years	100
More than five years	17
Total undiscounted lease liabilities at 31 December	170
Lease liabilities included in the Consolidated Statement of Financial position at 31 December	147
Current	46
Non-current	101

Transition

At transition, for leases classified as operating leases under IAS 17, lease liabilities were measured at the present of the remaining lease payments, discounted at the Group’s incremental borrowing rate as at 1 January 2019. Right-of-use assets are measured an amount equal to the lease liability, adjusted by the amount of any prepaid or accrued lease payments.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

The Group used the following practical expedients when applying IFRS 16 to leases previously classified as operating leases under IAS 17.

- Applied the exemption not to recognise right-of-use assets and liabilities for leases with less than 12 months of lease term.
- Excluded initial direct costs from measuring the right-of-use asset at the date of initial application.
- Used hindsight when determining the lease term if the contract contains options to extend or terminate the lease.

The Group leases a number of items of equipment. These leases were classified as finance lease under IAS 17. For these finance leases, the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset and the liability at 1 January 2019 were determined at the carrying amount of the lease asset and lease liability under IAS 17 immediately before that date.

Impacts on transition

On transition to IFRS 16, the Group recognised additional right-of-use assets and additional lease liabilities, recognising the difference in retained earnings, if relevant. The impact on transition is summarised below.

	1 January 2019 MEUR
Right-of-use assets presented in property, plant and equipment	166
Right-of-use assets presented in investment property	-
Deferred tax asset	-
Lease liabilities	(166)
Retained earnings	-

When measuring lease liabilities for leases that were classified as operating leases, the Group discounted lease payments using its incremental borrowing rate at 1 January 2019. The weighted average rate applied is 7.09%.

	1 January 2019 MEUR
Operating lease commitment at 31 December 2018 as disclosed in the Consolidated Financial Statements	199
Less: total future interest expense	(23)
Discounted using the incremental borrowing rate at 1 January 2019	176
Finance lease liabilities recognised as at 31 December 2018	-
Recognition exemption for leases of low-value assets	-
Recognition exemption for leases with less than 12 months of lease term at transition	(10)
Extension options reasonably certain to be exercised and other	-
Lease liabilities recognised at 1 January 2019	166

As a result of initially applying IFRS 16, in relation to the leases that were previously classified as operating leases, the Group recognised MEUR 145 of right-of-use assets and MEUR 147 of lease liabilities as at 31 December 2019.

Also in relation to those leases under IFRS 16, the Group has recognised depreciation and interest costs, instead of operating lease expense. During the year ended 31 December 2019, the Group recognised MEUR 47 of depreciation charges and MEUR 9 of interest costs from these leases.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(b) Basis of consolidation

(i) Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are enterprises controlled by the Group. Control exists when the Group is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the enterprise and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the enterprise. The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date on which control effectively commences until the date on which control effectively ceases.

Legal restructuring and mergers involving companies under common control are accounted for using consolidated net book values, consequently no adjustment is made to carrying amounts in the consolidated accounts and no goodwill arises on such transactions.

(ii) Non-controlling interests

Non-controlling interest (NCI) is the portion of equity ownership in a subsidiary not attributable to the Group.

NCI are measured initially at their proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets at the date of acquisition.

Changes in the Group's interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions.

Net profit allocated to non-controlling interests is that part of the net results of the Group attributable to interests which are not owned, either directly or indirectly through subsidiaries, by the equity holders of the parent company.

Losses applicable to the non-controlling interests, including negative other comprehensive income, are allocated to the non-controlling interests even if doing so causes the non-controlling interests to have a deficit balance.

(iii) Associates

Associates are enterprises in which the Group has significant influence, but not control, over the financial and operating policies. The consolidated financial statements include the Group's share of the total recognized gains and losses of associates on an equity accounted basis, from the date on which significant influence effectively commences until the date on which significant influence effectively ceases.

An investment in an associate is accounted for in the consolidated financial statements under the equity method. Under the equity method, the investment is initially recorded at cost, adjusted for any excess of the group's share of the acquisition-date fair values of the investee's identifiable net assets over the cost of the investment (if any). The cost of the investment includes purchase price, other costs directly attributable to the acquisition of the investment, and any direct investment into the associate that forms part of the group's equity investment. Thereafter, the investment is adjusted for the post acquisition change in the group's share of the investee's net assets and any impairment loss relating to the investment. Any acquisition-date excess over cost, the group's share of the post-acquisition, post-tax results of the investees and any impairment losses for the year are recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss, whereas the group's share of the post-acquisition post-tax items of the investees' other comprehensive income is recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

When the Group's share of losses exceeds the Group's interest in the associate, that interest is reduced to nil and recognition of further losses is discontinued except to the extent that the Group has incurred obligations in respect of the associate.

(iv) Special purpose entities

The Group has established a number of special purpose entities (SPEs) for the purpose of raising finance. The Group does not have any direct or indirect shareholdings in these entities. These SPEs are controlled by the Group through the predetermination of the activities of SPEs, having rights to obtain the majority of benefits of the SPEs, and retaining the majority of the residual risks related to the SPEs.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(v) *Transactions eliminated on consolidation*

Intra-group balances and transactions, and any unrealized gains arising from intra-group transactions, are eliminated in the consolidated financial statements. Unrealized gains arising from transactions with associates are eliminated against the investment in the associate to the extent of the Group's interest in the enterprise. Unrealized losses are eliminated in the same way as unrealized gains, but only to the extent that there is no evidence of impairment.

(c) Foreign currency

(i) *Foreign currency transactions*

A foreign currency transaction is a transaction that is denominated or requires settlement in a currency other than the functional currency. The functional currency is the currency of the primary economic environment in which an entity operates. For initial recognition purposes, a foreign currency transaction is translated into the functional currency using the foreign currency exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are translated into the functional currency at the exchange rate ruling at that date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are measured at fair value are translated into the functional currency at the exchange rate ruling at the date on which the fair value was determined. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are measured in terms of historical cost are translated using the exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction.

Foreign currency differences arising on retranslation are recognized in profit or loss, except for the differences arising on the retranslation of financial assets through other comprehensive income which are recognized in other comprehensive income (except on impairment in which case foreign currency differences that have been recognized in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss).

(ii) *Financial information of foreign operations*

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations, including goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on acquisition, are translated to EUR at the exchange rates ruling at the reporting date. The income and expenses of foreign operations, excluding foreign operations in hyperinflationary economies, are translated to EUR at rates approximating the foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates of the transactions.

Foreign currency differences arising on translation are recognized in other comprehensive income, and presented in the foreign currency translation reserve in equity. However, if the foreign operation is a non-wholly owned subsidiary, the relevant proportion of the translation difference is allocated to non-controlling interests.

When a foreign operation is disposed of so that control, significant influence or joint control is lost, the cumulative amount in the foreign currency translation reserve related to that foreign operation is reclassified to profit or loss as part of the gain or loss on disposal.

(d) Cash and cash equivalents

The Group considers cash on hand, unrestricted balances with central banks and balances with banks and other financial institutions due within one month to be cash and cash equivalents. Minimum reserve deposits with respective central banks are not considered to be cash equivalents if restrictions on their withdrawal are placed.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(e) Financial assets and liabilities

(i) Recognition

Financial assets and liabilities are recognized in the statement of financial position when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. For regular purchases and sales of financial assets, the Group's policy is to recognize them using settlement date accounting. Any change in the fair value of an asset to be received during the period between the trade date and the settlement date is accounted for in the same way as if the Group used settlement date accounting.

(ii) Classification and measurement

Financial assets

IFRS 9 contains a new classification and measurement approach for financial assets that reflects the business model in which assets are managed and their cash flow characteristics.

IFRS 9 includes three principal classification categories for financial assets: measured at amortised cost (AC), fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) and fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL).

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL:

- it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI) on the principal amount outstanding.

A financial asset is measured at FVOCI only if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL:

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

On initial recognition of an equity investment that is not held for trading, the Group may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in fair value in OCI. This election is made on an investment-by-investment basis.

All financial assets not classified as measured at amortised cost or FVOCI as described above are measured at FVTPL. In addition, on initial recognition the Group may irrevocably designate a financial asset that otherwise meets the requirements to be measured at amortised cost or at FVOCI as at FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise.

A financial asset is classified into one of these categories on initial recognition.

Under IFRS 9, derivatives embedded in contracts where the host is a financial asset in the scope of IFRS 9 are not separated. Instead, the hybrid financial instrument as a whole is assessed for classification.

For more details on caption "Loans and receivables" refer to Note 3(f).

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Business model assessment

The Group made an assessment of the objective of the business model in which a financial asset is held at a portfolio level because this best reflects the way the business is managed and information is provided to management. The information that will be considered includes:

- the stated policies and objectives for the portfolio and the operation of those policies in practice, including whether management’s strategy focuses on earning contractual interest income, maintaining a particular interest rate profile, matching the duration of the financial assets to the duration of the liabilities that are funding those assets or realising cash flows through the sale of assets;
- how the performance of the portfolio is evaluated and reported to the Group’s management;
- the risks that affect the performance of the business model (and the financial assets held within that business model) and how those risks are managed;
- how managers of the business are compensated – e.g. whether compensation is based on the fair value of the assets managed or the contractual cash flows collected; and
- the frequency, volume and timing of sales in prior periods, the reasons for such sales and expectations about future sales activity. However, information about sales activity is not considered in isolation, but as part of an overall assessment of how the Group’s stated objective for managing the financial assets is achieved and how cash flows are realised.

Financial assets that are held for trading and those that are managed and whose performance is evaluated on a fair value basis will be measured at FVTPL because they are neither held to collect contractual cash flows nor held both to collect contractual cash flows and to sell financial assets.

Assessment whether contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest

For the purposes of this assessment, ‘principal’ is defined as the fair value of the financial asset on initial recognition. ‘Interest’ is defined as consideration for the time value of money, for the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding during a particular period of time and for other basic lending risks and costs (e.g. liquidity risk and administrative costs), as well as a profit margin.

In assessing whether the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest, the Group considers the contractual terms of the instrument. This includes assessing whether the financial asset contains a contractual term that could change the timing or amount of contractual cash flows such that it would not meet this condition. In making the assessment, the Group considers:

- contingent events that would change the amount and timing of cash flows;
- leverage features;
- prepayment and extension terms;
- terms that limit the Group’s claim to cash flows from specified assets – e.g. non-recourse asset arrangements; and
- features that modify consideration for the time value of money – e.g. periodic reset of interest rates.

All of the Group’s retail loans and certain fixed-rate corporate loans contain prepayment features. A prepayment feature is consistent with the SPPI criterion if the prepayment amount substantially represents unpaid amounts of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding, which may include reasonable compensation for early termination of the contract.

In addition, a prepayment feature is treated as consistent with this criterion if a financial asset is acquired or originated at a premium or discount to its contractual par amount, the prepayment amount substantially represents the contractual par amount plus accrued (but unpaid) contractual interest (which may also include reasonable compensation for early termination), and the fair value of the prepayment feature is insignificant on initial recognition.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Financial liabilities

The Group classifies its financial liabilities, other than financial guarantees and loan commitments, as measured at amortised cost or FVTPL.

(iii) Fair value measurement

The Group measures fair values using the following fair value hierarchy, which reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements.

Level 1: Quoted market price (unadjusted) in an active market for an identical instrument.

Level 2: Valuation techniques based on observable inputs, either directly (such as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices). This category includes instruments valued using: quoted market prices in active markets for similar instruments; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active; or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.

Level 3: Valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs. This category includes all instruments where the valuation technique includes inputs not based on observable data and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation. This category includes instruments that are valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments where significant unobservable adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between the instruments.

Fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities that are traded in active markets are based on quoted market prices or dealer price quotations. For all other financial instruments the Group determines fair values using valuation techniques.

Valuation techniques include a comparison with similar instruments for which market observable prices exist, the net present value and discounted cash flow models, Black-Scholes option pricing models and other valuation models. Assumptions and inputs used in valuation techniques include risk-free and benchmark interest rates, credit spreads and other premiums used in estimating discount rates, bond and equity prices, foreign currency exchange rates, equity and equity index prices and expected price volatilities and correlations. The objective of valuation techniques is to arrive at a fair value determination that reflects the price of the financial instrument at the reporting date that would have been determined by market participants acting at arm's length.

Where discounted cash flow techniques are used, estimated future cash flows are based on management's best estimates and the discount rate is a market related rate at the reporting date for an instrument with similar terms and conditions. Where pricing models are used, inputs are based on market related measures at the reporting date.

The fair value of debt securities available for sale is based on their quoted market price. Fair value of derivative contracts that are not exchange traded is estimated using an arbitrage pricing model, the key parameters of which are the relevant foreign exchange rates and interbank interest rates prevailing at the reporting date.

The Group recognises transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period during which the change has occurred.

(iv) Amortized cost measurement principles

The amortized cost of a financial asset or liability is the amount in which the financial asset or liability is measured at initial recognition, minus principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortization using the effective interest method of any difference between the initial amount recognized and the maturity amount, net of any relevant impairment.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(v) Gains and losses on subsequent measurement

Gains and losses on financial instruments classified as at fair value through profit or loss are recognized in profit or loss. Net gains or net losses on items at fair value through profit or loss exclude interest or dividend income.

Gains and losses on financial instruments classified at fair value through other comprehensive income are recognized in other comprehensive income (except for impairment losses and foreign exchange gains and losses) until the asset is derecognized, at which time the cumulative gain or loss previously recognized in other comprehensive income is reclassified to profit or loss.

For financial assets and liabilities carried at amortized cost, a gain or loss is recognized in profit or loss when the financial asset or liability is derecognized or impaired, and through the amortization process.

(vi) Identification and measurement of impairment

IFRS 9 is based on the ‘expected credit loss’ model (hereafter “ECL”). This model is forward-looking and it eliminates the threshold for the recognition of expected credit losses, so that it is no longer necessary for a trigger event to have occurred before credit losses are recognised. Consequently, more timely information is required to be provided about expected credit losses.

The Group recognises loss allowances for ECL on the following financial instruments that are not measured at FVTPL:

- loans and receivables due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies;
- loans to customers;
- trade receivables and accrued income;
- cash and cash equivalents;
- debt instruments at FVOCI; and
- loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts issued (previously, impairment was measured under IAS 37 *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*).

Under IFRS 9, no impairment loss is recognised on equity investments.

IFRS 9 requires a loss allowance to be recognised at an amount equal to either 12-month ECLs or lifetime ECLs. The Group measures loss allowance at an amount equal to lifetime ECL, except for the following, for which they are measured as 12-month ECL:

- debt investment securities that are determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date; and
- other financial instruments on which credit risk has not increased significantly since their initial recognition.

12-month ECLs are the portion of ECL that result from default events on a financial instrument that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date. Financial instruments for which a 12-month ECL is recognised are referred to as “Stage 1 financial instruments”.

Lifetime ECLs are the ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument. Financial instruments for which a lifetime ECL is recognised but which are not credit-impaired are referred to as “Stage 2 financial instruments”.

Credit-impaired financial assets

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether financial assets are credit-impaired (referred to as “Stage 3 financial assets”). The Group classifies financial asset as ‘credit-impaired’ when it exceeds 90 days past due.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

The Group also considers other events which can trigger detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset resulting in credit-impaired classification. Examples of these events are:

- significant financial difficulty of the borrower or issuer;
- a breach of contract such as a default; or
- it is becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganization.

Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses and is measured as follows:

- financial assets that are not credit-impaired at the reporting date: the present value of all cash shortfalls – i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the Group in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive;
- financial assets that are credit-impaired at the reporting date: the difference between the gross carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows;
- undrawn loan commitments: the present value of the difference between the contractual cash flows that are due to the Group if the commitment is drawn and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive from this commitment; and
- financial guarantee contracts: the present value of the expected payments to reimburse the holder less any amounts that the Group expects to recover.

Inputs into measurement of ECLs

The key inputs into the measurement of ECLs are – in general – the following variables:

- probability of default (PD);
- loss given default (LGD); and
- exposure at default (EAD).

These parameters are derived – alone or together – from internally developed statistical models based on own historical data or derived from available market data.

For retail portfolio PD and EAD is usually estimated together using statistical models (stochastic Markov chain based model or simple Roll Rate model) based on internally compiled data. Where it is available, market data may also be used to derive the PD for large corporate counterparties where there is not enough internally available data for statistical modelling.

LGD is the magnitude of the likely loss if there is a default. LGD is estimated based on the history of recovery rates of claims against defaulted counterparties. It is calculated on a discounted cash flow basis using the effective interest rate as the discounting factor.

For retail overdraft and credit card facilities and certain corporate revolving facilities that include both a loan and an undrawn commitment component, the Group measures ECLs over a period when the Group's ability to demand repayment and cancel the undrawn commitment does not limit the Group's exposure to credit losses to the contractual notice period. These facilities do not have a fixed term or repayment structure and are managed on a collective basis. The Group can cancel them with immediate effect but this contractual right is not enforced in the normal day-to-day management, but only when the Group becomes aware of an increase in credit risk at the facility level. This period is estimated taking into account the credit risk management actions that the Group expects to take and that serve to mitigate ECLs. These include a reduction in limits and cancellation of the facility.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Where modelling of a parameter is carried out on a collective basis, the financial instruments are grouped on the basis of shared risk characteristics, such as:

- instrument type;
- credit risk grade;
- collateral type;
- date of initial recognition;
- date of remaining term to maturity;

The groupings is subject to regular review to ensure that exposures within a particular group remain appropriately homogeneous.

For portfolios in respect of which the Group has limited historical data, external benchmark information is used to supplement the internally available data.

Forward-looking information

Under IFRS 9, the Group incorporates forward-looking information (hereafter “FLI”) based on both external and internal sources into assessment of whether the credit risk of an instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition and – where possible – also as part of measurement of ECLs. External information used may include economic data and forecasts published by governmental bodies and monetary authorities in the countries where the Group operates, supranational organisations such as the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development and the International Monetary Fund, commercial sources (such as Bloomberg or Thomas Reuters), and selected private sector and academic forecasters. Internal information then consists of both portfolio and vintage risk parameters and calibrated clients scoring models and functions.

The Group uses – based on data availability and credibility of sources – an analysis of historical data to estimate relationships between macro-economic variables and credit risk and credit losses. The key external drivers may include variables such as interest rates, unemployment rates, inflation rates, GDP growth rates, FX rates and other macroeconomic variables and their forecasts.

Each estimation of impact of macroeconomic forecast on provisioning is also subject to an internal materiality threshold evaluation to avoid short-term fluctuation in provisioning volumes in cases where the impact of expected macroeconomic situation is considered not material. The materiality threshold is set up to be 2% of total provision for each respective Group Company and respective Reporting date.

Definition of default

The Group considers a financial asset to be in default when there is available information that:

- the borrower is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Group in full, without recourse by the Group to actions such as realising security (if any is held); or
- the borrower is more than 90 days past due on the respective material credit obligation to the Group. Overdrafts are considered past due once the customer has breached an advised limit or been advised of a limit that is smaller than the current amount outstanding.

In assessing whether a borrower is in default, the Group considers indicators that are:

- qualitative: e.g. breaches of covenant;
- quantitative: e.g. overdue status; and
- based on data developed internally and obtained from external sources (e.g. insolvency or bankruptcy loan registers).

Inputs into the assessment of whether a financial instrument is in default and their significance may vary over time to reflect changes in circumstances.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Write-off

Loans and debt securities are generally written off (either partially or in full) when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering a financial asset in its entirety. This is generally the case when the Group determines that the borrower does not have assets or sources of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write-off. Due to the nature of the Group's business where the majority of the loans is provided to retail customers, this assessment is carried out at homogeneous portfolio level and applied to the individual financial asset. Recoveries of amounts previously written off are included in 'impairment losses on financial instruments' in the statement of profit or loss and OCI.

Financial assets that are written off could still be subject to enforcement activities in order to comply with the Group's procedures for recovery of amounts due.

During 2019, the Group assessed and subsequently revised its estimation of expected credit loss' model. As a result the Group changed the credit loss estimate at the time of the write-off and aligned the estimate with latest expectation of recoveries. The impact of change in estimate was applied prospectively to the financial statements resulting in the following impact to the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2019; decrease of gross amount of loans to customers of MEUR 652, decrease of impairment allowances of MEUR 746 resulting in change in net amount of loans to customers of MEUR 94. The year to date impact in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income was a decrease of impairment losses on financial assets of MEUR 95.

Credit risk grades

The Group allocates each exposure to a credit risk grade based on a variety of data that is determined to be predictive of the risk of default and applying experienced credit judgement. The Group uses these grades in identifying significant increases in credit risk under IFRS 9. Credit risk grades are defined using qualitative and quantitative factors that are indicative of the risk of default. These factors may vary depending on the nature of the exposure and the type of borrower.

Each exposure is allocated to a credit risk grade on initial recognition based on available information about the borrower. Exposures are subject to ongoing monitoring, which may result in an exposure being moved to a different credit risk grade.

Credit risk grades and client's score are primary inputs into the determination of the probability of default (PD) development for exposures. The Group collects performance and default information about its credit risk exposures analysed by jurisdiction, by type of product and borrower and by credit risk grading. For some portfolios, information purchased from external credit reference agencies may also be used.

The Group employs statistical models to analyse the data collected and generate estimates of the remaining lifetime PD of exposures and how these are expected to change as a result of the passage of time.

Group's internal credit risk grades

The Group uses internal credit risk grades for debt instruments and non-retail loans provided. The table below provides an indicative mapping of how the Group's internal credit risk grades relate to external long-term rating used by Moody's rating agency:

<u>Internal rating</u>	<u>External rating</u>
Very low risk	Aaa-Aa
Low risk	A-Baa
Medium risk	Ba-B
High risk	Caa-Ca
Default	C and lower

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Determining whether credit risk has increased significantly

When determining whether the credit risk (i.e. risk of default) on a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort, including both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis consisting - based on availability and complexity - of the Group's historical experience, expert credit assessment and forward-looking information.

The criteria may vary by portfolio and include a backstop based on delinquency in accordance with IFRS 9. As a backstop, and as required by IFRS 9, the Group presumptively considers that a significant increase in credit risk occurs no later than when an asset is more than 30 days past due. The Group determines days past due by counting the number of days since the earliest elapsed due date in respect of which full payment has not been received.

The Group primarily identifies whether a significant increase in credit risk has occurred for an exposure by comparing:

- the remaining probability of default (PD) as at the reporting date; with
- the PD that was estimated on initial recognition of the exposure.

The Group deems the credit risk of a particular exposure to have increased significantly since initial recognition if the remaining PD is determined to have increased – since initial recognition – more than is defined for the respective risk grade.

Assessing whether credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition of a financial instrument requires identifying the date of initial recognition of the instrument. For certain revolving facilities (e.g. credit cards and overdrafts), the date when the facility was firstly used could be a long time ago. Modifying the contractual terms of a financial instrument may also affect this assessment.

In certain instances, using its expert credit judgement and, where possible, relevant historical experience, the Group may determine that an exposure has undergone a significant increase in credit risk if particular qualitative factors indicate so and those indicators may not be fully captured by its quantitative analysis on a timely basis.

The Group monitors the suitability of the criteria used to identify significant increases in credit risk by regular reviews to confirm that results of assessment are compliant with IFRS 9 and internal guidelines and settings.

Modified financial assets

The contractual terms of a loan may be modified for a number of reasons, including changing market conditions, customer retention and other factors not related to a current or potential credit deterioration of the customer. An existing loan whose terms have been modified may be derecognised and the renegotiated loan recognised as a new loan at fair value.

When the terms of a financial asset are modified due to borrowers financial difficulties and the modification does not result in derecognition, the determination of whether the asset's credit risk has increased significantly should reflect comparison of:

- the remaining lifetime PD at the reporting date based on the modified terms; with
- the PD estimated based on data on initial recognition and terms of the original contract.

The Group renegotiates loans to customers in financial difficulties (referred to as 'forbearance activities') to maximise collection opportunities and minimise the risk of default. Under the Group's forbearance policy, loan forbearance is granted on a selective basis if the debtor is currently in default on its debt or if there is a high risk of default, there is evidence that the debtor made all reasonable efforts to pay under the original contractual terms and the debtor is expected to be able to meet the revised terms.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

The revised terms usually include extending the maturity, changing the timing of interest payments and amending the terms of loan covenants.

Generally, forbearance is a qualitative indicator of default and credit impairment and expectations of forbearance are relevant to assessing whether there is a significant increase in credit risk.

Following forbearance, a customer needs to demonstrate consistently good payment behaviour over a period of time before the exposure is no longer considered to be in default/credit-impaired or the PD is considered to have decreased such that the loss allowance reverts to being measured at an amount equal to 12-month ECLs.

(vii) Derecognition

Financial assets

Financial assets (or a part of a financial asset or group of financial assets) are derecognized when the financial assets meet one of the following conditions:

- the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or
- the Group transfers substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial assets or where substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a financial asset are neither retained nor transferred, the control over that asset is relinquished.

If the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, but retains control, the Group continues to recognize the financial asset and relevant liability to the extent of its continuing involvement in the financial asset.

Financial liabilities

The financial liability (or part of it) is derecognized only when the underlying present obligation (or part of it) specified in the contracts is discharged, cancelled or expired. An agreement between the Group and an existing lender to replace the original financial liability with a new financial liability with substantially different terms, or a substantial modification of the terms of an existing financial liability is accounted for as an extinguishment of the original financial liability and recognition of a new financial liability. The difference between the carrying amount of the derecognized financial liability and the consideration paid is recognized in the profit or loss.

(viii) Offsetting

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognized amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Income and expenses are presented on a net basis only when permitted by the accounting standards, or for gains and losses arising from a group of similar transactions.

(ix) Securitization

For securitized financial assets, the Group considers both the degree of transfer of risks and rewards on assets transferred to another entity and the degree of control exercised by the Group over the other entity.

When the Group, in substance, controls the entity to which financial assets have been transferred, the entity is included in these consolidated financial statements and the transferred assets are recognized in the consolidated statement of financial position.

When the Group has transferred financial assets to another entity, but has retained substantially all of the risks and rewards relating to the transferred assets, the transferred assets are recognized in the consolidated statement of financial position.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

When the Group transfers substantially all the risks and rewards relating to the transferred assets to an entity that it does not control, the assets are derecognized from the consolidated statement of financial position.

If the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards relating to the transferred assets, the assets are derecognized if the Group has not retained control over the assets.

(x) Repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements

Securities sold under sale and repurchase agreements are accounted for as secured financing transactions, with the securities retained in the statement of financial position and the counterparty liability included in amounts due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies or to customers, as appropriate. The difference between the sale and repurchase price represents interest expense and is recognized in the statement of comprehensive income over the terms of the agreement.

Securities purchased under agreements to resell are recorded as due from banks and other financial institutions or from customers as appropriate. The difference between the sale and repurchase considerations is recognized on an accrual basis over the period of the transaction and is included in interest income.

(xi) Derivative financial instruments

The Group uses derivative financial instruments to hedge its exposure to foreign exchange and interest rate risk arising from financing activities. However, not all instruments qualify for hedge accounting in accordance with IAS 39/IFRS 9. For derivative instruments where hedge accounting is not applied, any gain or loss on derivatives is recognized immediately in the statement of comprehensive income as net gains/losses on financial assets and liabilities.

(xii) Hedge accounting

The Group has chosen to apply the requirements of IFRS 9 with the exception of hedging of a portfolio of financial assets or financial liabilities (referred as “fair value macro hedges”) where the Group continues to apply IAS 39 requirements as allowed by IASB.

IFRS 9 requires the Group to ensure that hedge accounting relationships are aligned with the Group’s risk management objectives and strategy and to apply a more qualitative and forward-looking approach to assessing hedge effectiveness. IFRS 9 also introduces new requirements on rebalancing hedge relationships and prohibiting voluntary discontinuation of hedge accounting.

The types of hedge accounting relationships that the Group currently designates meet the requirements of IFRS 9 and are aligned with the entity’s risk management strategy and objective.

The Group applies fair value hedges against interest rate risk associated with the Group’s assets at FVOCI. The Group also applies cash flow hedges against variability in cash flows attributable to a particular risk associated with a recognised asset or liability that could affect profit or loss, the effective portion of changes in the fair value of the derivative is recognised in OCI and presented in the hedging reserve within equity.

At inception of the hedging relationship the Group formally documents the relationship between the hedged item and the hedging instrument, including the nature of the risk, the objective and strategy for undertaking the hedge and the method that will be used to assess the effectiveness of the hedging relationship. Fair value of the hedging instrument and the fair value (or cash flows) of the hedged items with respect to the risk being hedged have to be reliably measurable in order to reliably measure the hedge effectiveness. The hedge is expected to be highly effective in achieving fair value or cash flow offsets in accordance with the original documented risk management strategy.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Fair value macro hedge

IAS 39 allows a fair-value item hedged against interest rate fluctuations to be not only a single asset or liability but also a monetary position contained in a number of financial assets or liabilities (or parts of them); accordingly, a group of derivatives can be used to offset fair-value fluctuations in hedged items due to changes in market rates. Macro-hedging may not be used for net positions resulting from the offsetting of assets and liabilities.

In addition, at the inception of the hedge relationship a formal assessment is undertaken to ensure the hedging instrument is expected to be highly effective in offsetting the designated risk in the hedged item. Hedges are formally assessed for effectiveness on a monthly basis. A hedge is regarded as highly effective if the changes in the fair value attributable to the hedged risk are expected to offset in a range of 80% to 125% during the hedging period.

(f) Loans and receivables

The “Loans to customers” and “Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies” captions in the statement of financial position include:

- Loans and advances measured at amortised cost; they are initially measured at fair value plus incremental transaction costs, and subsequently at their amortised cost using the effective interest method;
- Loans and advances mandatorily measured at FVTPL or designated as at FVTPL; these are measured at fair value with changes recognised immediately in profit or loss.

When the Group purchases a financial asset and simultaneously enters into an agreement to resell the asset (or substantially similar asset) at a fixed price on a future date (reverse repo or stock borrowing), the arrangement is accounted for as a loan or advance, and the underlying asset is not recognised in the Group’s financial statements.

(g) Investment securities at amortized cost

The “investment securities” caption in the statement of financial position includes debt securities measured at amortized costs; these are initially measured at fair value plus incremental direct transaction costs, and subsequently at their amortised cost using the effective interest method.

(h) Intangible assets and goodwill

(i) *Goodwill and negative goodwill*

Goodwill arising on an acquisition represents the excess of the cost of the acquisition over the Group’s interest in the fair value of the net identifiable assets and liabilities of the acquiree. When the excess is negative (negative goodwill), it is recognized immediately in profit and loss. Goodwill is stated at cost less accumulated impairment losses (refer to Note 3(j)).

In respect of associates, the carrying amount of any goodwill is included in the carrying amount of the investment in the associate.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(ii) Other intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired by the Group are stated at cost less accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses (refer to Note 3(j)).

(iii) Amortization

Amortization is charged to the statement of comprehensive income on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of intangible assets. Goodwill is not amortized; other intangible assets are amortized from the date the asset is available for use. The depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values, if not insignificant, are reassessed annually. If a significant technical improvement is made to an asset during the period, its useful life and residual value are reassessed at the time a technical improvement is recognized. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Software	1 - 10 years
Licenses	1 - 10 years
Other	1 - 10 years

(i) Property and equipment

(i) Owned assets

Items of property and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation (refer below) and accumulated impairment losses (refer to Note 3(j)). Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The cost for self-constructed assets includes the cost of materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of production overheads.

(ii) Leased assets

The Group has applied IFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach and therefore the comparative information for the year ended 31 December 2018 has not been restated and continues to be reported under IAS 17 and IFRIC 4. The details of accounting policies under IAS 17 and IFRIC 4 are disclosed separately if they are different from those under IFRS 16 and the impact of changes is disclosed in Note 3(a).

Policy applicable from 1 January 2019

At inception of a contract, the Group assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, the Group assesses whether:

- the contract involves the use of an identified asset – this may be specified explicitly or implicitly, and should be physically distinct or represent substantially all of the capacity of a physically distinct asset. If the supplier has a substantive substitution right, then the asset is not identified;
- the Group has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the asset throughout the period of use; and
- the Group has the right to direct the use of the asset. The Group has this right when it has the decision-making rights that are most relevant to changing how and for what purpose the asset is used. In rare cases where the decision about how and for what purpose the asset is used is predetermined, the Group has the right to direct the use of the asset if either:
 - the Group has the right to operate the asset; or
 - the Group designed the asset in a way that predetermines how and for what purpose it will be used.

This policy is applied to contracts entered into, or changed, on or after 1 January 2019.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

The Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, less any lease incentives received.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the earlier of the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset or the end of the lease term. The estimated useful lives of right-of-use assets are determined on the same basis as those of property and equipment. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

The Group presents right-of-use assets that do not meet the definition of investment property in “property, plant and equipment”, the same line item as it presents underlying assets of the same nature that it owns.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Group’s incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the Group uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate.

The lease liability is subsequently increased by the interest cost on the lease liability and decreased by lease payment made. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, a change in the estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, or as appropriate, changes in the assessment of whether a purchase or extension option is reasonably certain to be exercised or a termination option is reasonably certain not to be exercised.

The Group presents lease liabilities in “Other liabilities” in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. For details see Note 25.

The Group has applied judgement to determine the lease term for some lease contracts in which it is a lease that include renewal options. The assessment of whether the Group is reasonably certain to exercise such options impacts the lease terms, which significantly affects the amount of lease liabilities and right-of-use assets recognised.

The Group has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for some leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets. The Group recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Policy applicable before 1 January 2019

Leases in terms of which the Group assumes substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases. Equipment acquired by way of finance lease is stated at an amount equal to the lower of its fair value and the present value of the minimum lease payments at inception of the lease, less accumulated depreciation (refer below) and accumulated impairment losses (refer to Note 3(j)).

Property and equipment used by the Group under operating leases, whereby the risks and benefits relating to ownership of the assets remain with the lessor, are not recorded in the Group’s statement of financial position. Payments made under operating leases to the lessor are charged to the statement of comprehensive income over the period of the lease.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(iii) Subsequent expenditure

Expenditure incurred to replace a component of an item of property and equipment that is accounted for separately, including major inspection and overhaul expenditure, is capitalized. Other subsequent expenditure is capitalized only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the item of property and equipment and its cost can be measured reliably. All other expenditure is recognized in the statement of comprehensive income as an expense as incurred.

(iv) Depreciation

Depreciation is charged to the statement of comprehensive income on a straight line basis over the estimated useful lives of the individual assets. Leased assets are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Property and equipment are depreciated from the date the asset is available for use. The depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values, if not insignificant, are reassessed annually. If a significant technical improvement is made to an asset during the year, its useful life and residual value are reassessed at the time a technical improvement is recognized.

The estimated useful lives of significant items of property and equipment are as follows:

IT equipment	2 - 5 years
Vehicles	3 - 8 years
Furniture	2 - 10 years
Leasehold improvements	1 - 20 years
Right of use assets	1 - 11 years
Buildings	3 - 50 years

(j) Impairment of non-financial assets

At each reporting date, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its non-financial assets (other than deferred tax assets) to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. Goodwill is tested for impairment at each reporting date.

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to cash-generating units. The recoverable amount of goodwill is estimated at each reporting date based on cash flow projections for specific cash generating units. Key assumptions are those regarding the expected business volumes, loss rates, budgeted expenses as well as discount rates for subsequent periods. Management estimates discount rates using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the cash generating unit. If the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit is less than the carrying amount, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of goodwill allocated to the unit and then to the other assets of the unit pro-rata on the basis of the carrying amount of each asset in the unit.

The recoverable amount of other non-financial assets is the greater of their fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For an asset that does not generate cash inflows largely independent of those from other assets, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

An impairment loss is recognized when the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount.

All impairment losses in respect of non-financial assets are recognized in the statement of comprehensive income and reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. Any impairment loss reversed is only reversed to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortization, if no impairment loss had been recognized. An impairment loss in respect of goodwill is not reversed. On disposal of a subsidiary, the amount of goodwill that is attributable to the subsidiary is included in the determination of the profit or loss on disposal.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(k) Provisions

A provision is recognized in the statement of financial position if, as a result of a past event, the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. If the effect is significant, provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability.

(l) Insurance provisions

(i) Provisions for unearned premiums

Provisions for unearned premiums comprise that part of gross premiums written attributable to subsequent periods, calculated separately for each insurance contract.

(ii) Provisions for outstanding claims and other insurance provisions

Provisions for outstanding claims represent the total estimated cost of settling all claims arising from events which have occurred up to the reporting date, whether reported or not, less amounts already paid in respect of such claims. These provisions include claims reported by policyholders but not settled (RBNS) and claims incurred but not reported (IBNR).

Other insurance provisions contain all other insurance technical provisions not mentioned above, such as the provision for unexpired risks (also referred to as the “premium deficiency”), the provision for contractual non-discretionary bonuses and other similar provisions.

(iii) Deferred acquisition costs of insurance contracts

Direct costs arising from the writing or renewing of insurance contracts, are deferred to the extent that these costs are recoverable out of future premiums. All other acquisition costs are recognized as an expense when incurred. Subsequent to initial recognition deferred acquisition costs are amortized over the period in which the related revenues are earned. The reinsurers’ shares of deferred acquisition costs are amortized in the same manner as the underlying asset amortization is recorded.

An impairment review is performed at each reporting date or more frequently when an indication of impairment arises. When the recoverable amount is less than the carrying value, an impairment loss is recognized in the statement of comprehensive income.

Deferred acquisition costs are derecognized when the related insurance contracts are either settled or disposed of.

(m) Other payables

Accounts payable arise when the Group has a contractual obligation to deliver cash or another financial asset. Accounts payable are measured at amortized cost, which is normally equal to their nominal or repayment value.

(n) Financial guarantees

A financial guarantee is a contract that requires the Group to make specified payments to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payment when due in accordance with the terms of a debt instrument.

A financial guarantee liability is recognized initially at fair value net of associated transaction costs, and the initial fair value is amortized over the life of the financial guarantee. The guarantee liability is subsequently carried at the higher of this amortized amount and the present value of any expected payment (when a payment under the guarantee has become probable).

Financial guarantee liabilities are included within other liabilities.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(o) Equity

Share capital represents the nominal value of shares issued by the Company.

Share premium decreases and other capital distributions are recognized as a liability provided they are declared before the end of the reporting period. Capital distributions declared after the end of the reporting period are not recognized as a liability but are disclosed in the notes.

Non-controlling interests consist of the minority shareholders' proportion of the fair values of a subsidiary's net assets, at the date of the original combination, plus or minus their share of changes in the subsidiary's equity since that date.

Reserve for business combinations under common control arise in the moment when the Group acquires subsidiary from entity ultimately controlled by the same party. The amount of the reserve is the difference between consideration paid for acquisition and net assets acquired.

(p) Interest income and expense

Effective interest rate

Interest income and expense are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income using the effective interest method. The "effective interest rate" is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument to:

- The gross carrying amount of the financial asset; or
- The amortised cost of the financial liability.

When calculating the effective interest rate for financial instruments other than purchased or originated credit-impaired assets, the Group estimates future cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument, but not Expected Credit Loss (hereafter "ECL"). For purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets, a credit adjustment effective interest rate is calculated using estimated future cash flows including ECL.

The calculation of the effective interest rate includes transaction costs and fees and points paid or received that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. Transaction costs include incremental costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of a financial asset or financial liability.

Amortised cost and gross carrying amount

The "amortised cost" of a financial asset or liability is the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured on initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method or any difference between the initial amount and the maturity amount and, for financial assets, adjusted for any expected credit loss allowance.

The "gross carrying amount of a financial asset" is the amortised cost of a financial asset before adjustment for any expected credit loss allowance.

Calculation of interest income and expense

The effective interest rate of a financial asset or financial liability is calculated on initial recognition of a financial asset or a financial liability. In calculating interest income and expense, the effective interest rate is applied to the gross carrying amount of the asset (when the asset is not credit-impaired) or to the amortised cost of the liability. The effective interest rate is revised as a result of periodic re-estimation of cash flows of floating rate instruments to reflect movements in market rates of interest. The effective interest rate is also revised for fair value hedge adjustments at the date amortisation of the hedge adjustments begins.

However, for financial assets that have become credit-impaired subsequent to initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset. If the asset is no longer credit-impaired, then the calculation of interest income reverts to the gross basis.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

For financial assets that were credit-impaired on initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the credit-adjusted effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the asset. The calculation of interest income does not revert to a gross basis, even if the credit risk of the asset improves.

(q) Fee and commission income and expenses

Fees and commission income and expenses that are integral to the effective interest rate on a financial asset or liability are included in the measurement of the effective interest rate.

A contract with a customer that results in a recognised financial instrument in the Group's financial statements may be partially in the scope of IFRS 9 and partially in the scope of IFRS 15. If this is the case, then the Group first applies IFRS 9 to separate and measure the part of the contract that is in the scope of IFRS 9 and then applies IFRS 15 to the residual.

Other fees and commission income and expense relate mainly to transaction and service fees, which are recognized as the services are rendered or received.

The Group acts as an agent for insurance providers offering their insurance products to consumer loan borrowers (protection service). Commission income from this insurance represents commissions for such agency services received by the Group from such partners. It is not considered to be integral to the overall profitability of consumer loans because it is determined and recognized based on the Group's contractual arrangements with the insurance provider rather than with the borrower, the borrowers have a choice whether to purchase the policy, the interest rates for customers with and without the insurance are the same. The Group does not participate on the insurance risk, which is entirely borne by the partner.

Commission income from insurance is recognized in profit or loss when the Group provides the agency service to the insurance company.

Commission income from insurance is recognized in profit or loss when the performance obligation is satisfied.

- The Group recognize income over the time by measuring the progress towards the complete satisfaction of performance obligation, if one of the following criteria is met:
- The Group simultaneously receive and consumes the benefits provided by group performance as the Group performs;
- The customer controls the service provided by the Group in the course of performance or;
- The Group does not provide service with an alternative use to the Group, and the Group has an enforceable right to payment for performance obligation complete to date;
- In other cases, the Group recognizes revenue at a point in time at which a customer obtains control on the provided services.

(r) Late payment fees

Late payment income is recognized in the statement of comprehensive income when late payment is charged to a customer, taking into account its collectability.

(s) Operating lease payments

Policy applicable from 1 January 2019

For impact and change of accounting policy due to adoption of new standard IFRS 16, *Leases*, refer to Note 3(a).

Policy applicable before 1 January 2019

Payments made under operating leases are recognized in the statement of comprehensive income on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Granted lease incentives are recognized as an integral part of the total lease expense.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(t) Employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits are expensed as the related service is provided. A liability is recognized for the amount expected to be paid if the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

Termination benefits are expensed at the earlier of when the Group can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits and when the Group recognizes costs for a restructuring.

The governments of the countries the Group operates in are responsible for providing pensions and retirement benefits to the Group's employees. A regular contribution linked to employees' salaries is made by the Group to the governments to fund the national pension plans. Payments under these pension schemes are charged as expenses as they fall due. The Group have no further obligation to pay further amounts if the fund has insufficient assets to pay all employee benefits relating to current and prior service.

(u) Taxation

Income tax on the profit or loss for the period comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognized in the statement of comprehensive income except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in equity, in which case it is recognized in equity.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the period, using tax rates enacted or substantially enacted at the end of the reporting period, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The following temporary differences are not recognised for: goodwill not deductible for tax purposes, the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting nor taxable profit and temporary differences related to investments in subsidiaries, branches and associates where the parent is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realization or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantially enacted at the end of the reporting period.

A deferred tax asset is recognized only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the temporary differences, unused tax losses and credits can be utilized.

Deferred tax assets are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realized.

Unrecognized deferred tax assets are reassessed at each reporting date and recognized to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be used.

Current tax balances and deferred tax balances, and movements therein, are presented separately from each other and are not offset. Current tax assets are offset against current tax liabilities, and deferred tax assets against deferred tax liabilities, if the company or the group has the legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and the following additional conditions are met:

- in the case of current tax assets and liabilities, the company or the group intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously; or
- in the case of deferred tax assets and liabilities, if they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either:
 - the same taxable entity; or
 - different taxable entities, which, in each future period in which significant amounts of deferred tax liabilities or assets are expected to be settled or recovered, intend to realize the current tax assets and settle the current tax liabilities on a net basis or realize and settle simultaneously.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(v) Net profit allocated to non-controlling interests

Net profit allocated to non-controlling interests is that part of the net results of the Group attributable to interests which are not owned, directly, or indirectly through subsidiaries, by the equity holders of the Company.

(w) Segment reporting

An operating segment is a component of the Group that engages in business activities from which it may earn revenues and incur expenses, including revenues and expenses relating to transactions with any of the Group's other components, whose operating results are regularly reviewed by the Group's chief operating decision maker (CODM) to make decisions about resources to be allocated to the segment and assess its performance, and for which discrete financial information is available.

Segment results that are reported to the Group's Chief Executive Officer and the Executive Committee (being the CODM) include items that are directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis. Other items comprise mainly corporate assets (primarily the Group's headquarters), head office expenses and tax assets and liabilities.

(x) Standards, interpretations and amendments to published standards that are not yet effective and are relevant for the Group's financial statements

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations were issued but not yet effective for the accounting period beginning on 1 January 2020 and have not been applied in preparing the consolidated financial statements of the Group of these pronouncements, potentially the following will have an impact on the Group's operations. The Group plans to adopt these pronouncements as described below. The Group is in the process of analysing the likely impact on its Consolidated Financial Statements.

IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts (adopted from 1 January 2021)

IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts establishes principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of insurance contracts issued. It also requires similar principles to be applied to held reinsurance contracts and issued investment contracts with discretionary participation features. The objective is to ensure that entities provide relevant information in a way that faithfully represents those contracts. This information gives a basis for users of the Consolidated Financial Statements to assess the effect that contracts within the scope of IFRS 17 have on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of an entity.

IFRS 17 has not yet been adopted by the Group.

The Group is assessing the potential impact on its consolidated financial statements resulting from the application of IFRS 17. Given the nature of the Group's operations, this standard is not expected to have significant impact on the Consolidated Financial Statements.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Amendments to References to Conceptual Framework (effective from 1 January 2020)

The IASB decided to revise the Conceptual Framework because some important issues were not covered and some guidance was unclear or out of date. The revised Conceptual Framework, issued by the IASB in March 2018, includes a new chapter on measurement; guidance on reporting financial performance; improved definitions of an asset and a liability, and guidance supporting these definitions; and clarifications in important areas, such as the roles of stewardship, prudence and measurement uncertainty in financial reporting.

The IASB also updated references to the Conceptual Framework in IFRS Standards by issuing Amendments to References to the Conceptual Framework in IFRS Standards. This was done to support transition to the revised Conceptual Framework for companies that develop accounting policies using the Conceptual Framework when no IFRS Standard applies to a particular transaction.

These amendments have not yet been adopted by the EU.

The Group does not expect these amendments to have a significant impact on its Consolidated Financial Statements.

Amendments to IFRS 3 Definition of Business Combinations (effective from 1 January 2020)

The amendments to IFRS 3 Business Combinations narrowed and clarified the definition of a business. They also permit a simplified assessment of whether an acquired set of activities and assets is a group of assets rather than a business.

These amendments are not expected to have a significant impact on the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Group.

Amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8: Definition of material (effective from 1 January 2020)

The amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of financial statements and IAS 8 Accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and errors, and consequential amendments to other IFRSs: i) use a consistent definition of materiality throughout IFRSs and the Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting; ii) clarify the explanation of the definition of material; and iii) incorporate some of the guidance in IAS 1 about immaterial information.

These amendments are not expected to have a significant impact on the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Group.

Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 Sale or Contribution of Assets Between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture (issued on 11 September 2014)

The endorsement process of these Amendments has been postponed by EU - the effective date was deferred indefinitely by IASB.

Up to the date of these financial statements, the IASB has issued a number of amendments, new standard and interpretations which are not yet effective for the year ended 31 December 2019 and which have not been adopted in these financial statements. These include the following which may be relevant to the Group.

4. Financial risk management

The Group has exposure to the following risks from its use of financial instruments:

- credit risk
- liquidity risk
- market risk
- insurance risk
- operational risk

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Group's risk management framework. The Board has established the Asset and Liability Committee (ALCO) and the Group Risk Management Department, which are responsible for developing and monitoring risk management policies in their specified areas. Both bodies report regularly to the Board of Directors on their activities.

The Group's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Group, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions, products and services offered. The Group, through its training and management standards and procedures, aims to develop a disciplined and constructive control environment, in which all employees understand their roles and obligations.

The Group's parent company PPF Financial Holdings B.V. is subject to the prudential regulation on consolidated basis as required by the legislation of the European Union. To meet the regulatory requirements on management, PPF Financial Holdings B.V. established PPF Financial Holdings Group Management Committee and PPF Financial Holdings Group Risk Management Committee.

(a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss occurring as a result of default by a borrower or counterparty on their obligation to the Group. The majority of the Group's exposure to credit risk arises in connection with the provision of consumer financing to private individual customers, which is the Group's principal business. The Group classifies the loans to individual customers into several classes where the significant ones are POS (point of sale) loans, revolving loans, cash loans, car loans and mortgage loans. As the Group's loan portfolio consists of a large number of loans with relatively low outstanding amounts, the loan portfolio does not include any significant individual exposures. The remaining part of the Group's exposures to credit risk is related to due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, financial assets available-for-sale and other assets.

The Board of Directors has delegated responsibility for the management of credit risk to the Group Credit Risk Department. The department is responsible for oversight of the Group's credit risk, including:

- Formulating credit policies in consultation with business units covering credit assessment, underwriting policies, collection policies and risk reporting by business units and loan classes;
- Establishing the authorization structure for the approval and renewal of credit facilities. Authorization limits are allocated to business unit's management, large exposures and new types of exposures require Group approval. The Group uses one central loan administration system to facilitate loan underwriting;
- Continuous monitoring of performance of individual Group's credit exposures by countries, product classes and distribution channels;
- Limiting concentrations of credit exposures by countries, product classes and distribution channels;
- Approving counterparty limits for financial institutions;
- Reviewing compliance of business units with agreed exposure limits;
- Providing advice, guidance and specialist skills to business units to promote best practice throughout the Group in the management of credit risk.

The Group continuously monitors the performance of individual credit exposures both on a business unit and Group level using a number of criteria including delinquency rates, default rates and collection efficiency measures. The Group has an active fraud prevention and detection program. Credit risk developments are reported by the Group Credit Risk Department to the Board of Directors on a regular basis.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

The Group operates its business in multiple geographies. Some of them suffered economic downturns in recent years. The Group developed tools and rapid response guidelines that are expected to significantly limit major credit losses resulting from the economic downturn. These actions include specific adjustments of the underwriting decision making, pricing and collections strategies.

Credit underwriting process

The credit underwriting process involves the verification of customer data, combined with sophisticated scoring models that take into account both risk and profitability to determine whether an applicant is eligible for a product and, if so, at what price.

Information supplied by the applicant may be cross-checked with information in the Group's customer database for the relevant country. POS loans are provided with minimum documentation from the customer. Applications for other products, in particular cash loans, require more supporting documentation and verification. If the standards set by the Group are not being adhered to, the Group discontinues selling through the relevant retailer's employee or the relevant retailer.

Fraud risk management prevention

The Group developed a set of tools that aim at fraud prevention, detection and investigation that facilitate low levels of observed fraud risk. The focus is on the tight monitoring of the sales process and proper design of the incentive models. Other tools include cross checks and verification of the application data as provided by the customer, biometrical ID verification tools and a use of the 3rd party data in the underwriting process. The use of specific tools varies based on availability of such tools on the respective market, legal and regulatory framework.

General loan collection

The Group's loan collection system follows standard steps and procedures, which can vary depending on country specific requirements and the legal or operational tools available for collection.

Pre-collections

Various forms of communication are used to remind customers how and when to pay, e.g. welcome letters or calls and SMS messages are sent to a customer a short time prior to the date of payment.

Early collection

The early collection procedures vary depending on which specific collection segment a customer is assigned to based on exposure, customer account data and previous collection behaviour. They are typically applied to payments which are 5 to 75 days overdue. The Group uses SMS messages, outbound calls, letters and interactive voice response tools to communicate with customers to remind them of, and procure, the overdue amounts.

Administrative and personal collection

The Group sends to the customer written correspondence including a warning that the full amount of the loan could be declared immediately due and payable, if a loan reaches a higher stage of delinquency with outstanding payments typically more than 60 to 90 days overdue (the point in time at which a loan moves from early collection to administrative and personal collection can vary). Letters are then followed by a call explaining to the customer the consequences of not repaying the debt.

Late collection

The late collection procedures usually start when a loan becomes 90 days overdue. Usage of external agencies or internal field collector methods is typically considered.

Legal collection, debt sale

Loans with outstanding repayments that have been overdue above 360 days are referred to the Group's external legal counsel, who informs the customer through formal correspondence that the loan is closed and that legal action will commence against the customer. As an alternative, debt sell to collection agencies may be also considered. The approval authority for any debt sale in the Group rests with the ALCO.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

Exposure to credit risk

The following tables contain an analysis of the credit risk exposure of financial instruments for which an ECL allowance is recognized.

Loans to customers – retail

The Company does not use internal rating grades for segmentation of its retail portfolio. Instead it uses different measures which will help to categorize the portfolio – the main tool being days past due structure. The Company also uses other measures such as scoring against the benchmark which helps to identify staging as well as significant increase in credit risk categorization.

The table below shows the maximum exposure to credit risk based on the Company's period-end stage classification. The amounts presented are gross of impairment allowances.

As of 31 December 2019					
Loans to customers – retail	Cash loans MEUR	POS loans MEUR	Revolving loans MEUR	Other ¹⁾ MEUR	Total MEUR
Collective ECL					
Gross amount - Stage 1	12,612	4,791	639	342	18,384
Gross amount - Stage 2	1,622	239	177	44	2,082
Gross amount - Stage 3	912	208	63	22	1,205
Past due more than 91 days	910	208	63	22	1,203
Other reason	2	-	-	-	2
Allowance for impairment – Stage 1 (12-month ECL)	(463)	(95)	(18)	(2)	(578)
Allowance for impairment – Stage 2 (lifetime ECL)	(364)	(50)	(11)	(2)	(427)
Allowance for impairment – Stage 3 (lifetime ECL)	(406)	(100)	(49)	(20)	(575)
Carrying amount	13,913	4,993	801	384	20,091

¹ Includes mortgage loans, car loans and other loans.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

As of 31 December 2018					
Loans to customers – retail	Cash loans MEUR	POS loans MEUR	Revolving loans MEUR	Other ¹⁾ MEUR	Total MEUR
Collective ECL					
Gross amount - Stage 1	11,019	4,391	463	284	16,157
Gross amount - Stage 2	1,312	220	75	35	1,642
Gross amount - Stage 3	1,167	389	57	25	1,638
Past due more than 91 days	1,165	389	57	25	1,636
Other reason	2	-	-	-	2
Allowance for impairment – Stage 1 (12-month ECL)	(393)	(98)	(11)	(2)	(504)
Allowance for impairment – Stage 2 (lifetime ECL)	(303)	(53)	(5)	(1)	(362)
Allowance for impairment – Stage 3 (lifetime ECL)	(864)	(290)	(50)	(23)	(1,227)
Carrying amount	11,938	4,559	529	318	17,344

ECL allowances for retail loans to customers (consumer lending) are calculated on a collective basis.

The table below shows an analysis of changes in the ECL allowances in relation to Loans to customers – retail between the beginning and the end of the year.

In MEUR

Loss allowance – Loans to customers - retail	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 lifetime ECL	Stage 3 lifetime ECL	Total
Loss allowance as at 1 January 2019 (under IFRS 9)	(504)	(362)	(1,227)	(2,093)
Changes in the loss allowance	108	(4)	(918)	(814)
Transfer to stage 1	(10)	17	-	7
Transfer to stage 2	49	(222)	2	(171)
Transfer to stage 3	69	201	(920)	(650)
New originated or purchased	(414)	(202)	(250)	(866)
Net remeasurement	(31)	(345)	(420)	(796)
Financial assets derecognised	202	101	114	417
Write-offs	71	392	2,149	2,612
FX and other movements	(10)	(7)	(23)	(40)
Net change during the period	(74)	(65)	652	513
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2019	(578)	(427)	(575)	(1,580)

¹⁾ Includes mortgage loans, car loans and other loans.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

The table below shows an analysis of changes in the ECL allowances in relation to Loans to customers – retail between the beginning and the end of the annual period.

In MEUR

Loss allowance – Loans to customers - retail	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 lifetime ECL	Stage 3 lifetime ECL	Total
Loss allowance as at 1 January 2018 (under IFRS 9)	(562)	(261)	(854)	(1,677)
Changes in the loss allowance	92	(85)	(865)	(858)
Transfer to stage 1	9	2	1	12
Transfer to stage 2	25	(149)	1	(123)
Transfer to stage 3	58	62	(867)	(747)
New originated or purchased	(489)	(185)	(230)	(904)
Net remeasurement	207	(103)	(226)	(122)
Financial assets derecognised	5	1	-	6
Write-offs	235	264	929	1,428
FX and other movements	8	7	19	34
Net change during the period	58	(101)	(373)	(416)
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2018	(504)	(362)	(1,227)	(2,093)

Loans to customers – non-retail (loans to corporations)

The table below shows the credit quality and the maximum exposure to credit risk based on the Group’s internal credit rating system and period-end stage classification. Details of the Group’s internal credit risk grades’ system are explained in Note 3(e)(vi). The amounts presented are gross of impairment allowances.

In MEUR

	31 December 2019				31 December 2018
	Stage 1 12-months ECL	Stage 2 Lifetime ECL	Stage 3 Lifetime ECL	Total	Total
Loans to customers – non-retail (corporations)					
Very low risk	4	-	-	4	4
Low risk	1	-	-	1	1
Medium risk	89	-	-	89	114
High Risk	-	-	-	-	-
Default	-	-	17	17	14
Total gross carrying amount	94	-	17	111	133
Loss allowance	-	-	(17)	(17)	(15)
Carrying amount	94	-	-	94	118

ECL allowances for non-retail loans to customers, which represent loans to corporations, are calculated on an individual basis.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

The table below shows an analysis of changes in the ECL allowances in relation to Loans to customers – non-retail (corporations) between the beginning and the end of the year 2019:

In MEUR

Loss allowance - Loans to customers - non- retail (corporations)	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 lifetime ECL	Stage 3 lifetime ECL	Total
Loss allowance as at 1 January 2019 (under IFRS 9)	-	-	(15)	(15)
Changes in the loss allowance	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 1	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 2	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 3	-	-	-	-
New originated or purchased	-	-	-	-
Net remeasurement	-	-	-	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-
Write-offs	-	-	-	-
Modification of contractual cash-flows	-	-	-	-
FX and other movements	-	-	(2)	(2)
Net change during the period	-	-	(2)	(2)
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2019	-	-	(17)	(17)

The table below shows an analysis of changes in the ECL allowances in relation to Loans to customers – non-retail (corporations) between the beginning and the end of the year 2018:

In MEUR

Loss allowance - Loans to customers - non- retail (corporations)	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 lifetime ECL	Stage 3 lifetime ECL	Total
Loss allowance as at 1 January 2018 (under IFRS 9)	-	-	(7)	(7)
Changes in the loss allowance	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 1	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 2	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 3	-	-	-	-
New originated or purchased	-	-	-	-
Net remeasurement	-	-	(9)	(9)
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-
Write-offs	-	-	-	-
Modification of contractual cash-flows	-	-	-	-
FX and other movements	-	-	1	1
Net change during the period	-	-	(8)	(8)
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2018	-	-	(15)	(15)

4. Financial risk management (continued)

Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies

The table below shows the credit quality and the maximum exposure to credit risk based on the Group's internal credit rating system and period-end stage classification. Details of the Group's internal credit risk grades' system are explained in Note 3(e)(vi). The amounts presented are gross of impairment allowances.

In MEUR

Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	31 December 2019				31 December 2018
	Stage 1 12-months ECL	Stage 2 Lifetime ECL	Stage 3 Lifetime ECL	Total	Total
Very low risk	108	-	-	108	72
Low risk	177	-	-	177	129
Medium risk	160	-	-	160	113
High Risk	-	-	-	-	-
Default	-	-	-	-	-
Total gross carrying amount	445	-	-	445	314
Loss allowance	(1)	-	-	(1)	-
Carrying amount	444	-	-	444	314

ECL allowances for Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies are calculated on an individual basis.

The table below shows an analysis of changes in the ECL allowances in relation to Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies between the beginning and the end of the year 2019:

In MEUR

Loss allowance - Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 lifetime ECL	Stage 3 lifetime ECL	Total
Loss allowance as at 1 January 2019	-	-	-	-
Changes in the loss allowance	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 1	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 2	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 3	-	-	-	-
New originated or purchased	-	-	-	-
Net remeasurement	(1)	-	-	(1)
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-
Write-offs	-	-	-	-
Modification of contractual cash-flows	-	-	-	-
FX and other movements	-	-	-	-
Net change during the period	(1)	-	-	(1)
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2019	(1)	-	-	(1)

4. Financial risk management (continued)

The table below shows an analysis of changes in the ECL allowances in relation to Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies between the beginning and the end of the year 2018:

In MEUR

Loss allowance - Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 lifetime ECL	Stage 3 lifetime ECL	Total
Loss allowance as at 1 January 2018	(1)	-	-	(1)
Changes in the loss allowance	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 1	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 2	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 3	-	-	-	-
New originated or purchased	-	-	-	-
Net remeasurement	-	-	-	-
Financial assets derecognised	1	-	-	1
Write-offs	-	-	-	-
Modification of contractual cash-flows	-	-	-	-
FX and other movements	-	-	-	-
Net change during the period	1	-	-	1
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2018	-	-	-	-

Investment securities at amortised cost

The table below shows the credit quality and the maximum exposure to credit risk based on the Group's internal credit rating system and period-end stages classification. Details of the Group's internal credit risk grades' system are explained in Note 3(e)(vi). The amounts presented are gross of impairment allowances.

In MEUR

	31 December 2019				31 December 2018
	Stage 1 12-months ECL	Stage 2 Lifetime ECL	Stage 3 Lifetime ECL	Total	Total
Investments securities at amortised costs					
Very low risk	714	-	-	714	761
Low risk	5	-	-	5	-
Medium risk	-	-	-	-	-
High Risk	-	-	-	-	-
Default	-	-	-	-	-
Total gross carrying amount	719	-	-	719	761
Loss allowance	-	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount	719	-	-	719	761

ECL allowances for investment securities at amortised cost are calculated on an individual basis.

ECL allowances in relation to Investment securities at amortised costs were nil as at 31 December 2019 and 31 December 2018.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

Financial assets at FVOCI (debt instruments)

The table below shows the fair value of the Group's debt instruments at FVOCI by credit risk, based on the Group's internal rating system and period-end stage classification. Details of the Group's internal credit risk grades' system are explained in Note 3(e)(vi).

In MEUR

Debt instruments at FVOCI	31 December 2019				31 December 2018
	Stage 1 12-months ECL	Stage 2 Lifetime ECL	Stage 3 Lifetime ECL	Total	Total
Very low risk	31	-	-	31	22
Low risk	305	-	-	305	409
Medium risk	19	-	-	19	28
High Risk	-	-	-	-	4
Default	-	-	-	-	-
Total gross carrying amount (fair value)	355	-	-	355	463
Loss allowance	-	-	-	-	(1)
Carrying amount	355	-	-	355	462

ECL allowances for debt instruments at FVOCI are calculated on an individual basis.

An analysis of the changes in the corresponding ECL allowances in relation to debt instruments at FVOCI, as follows:

In MEUR

Loss allowance – debt instruments at FVOCI	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 lifetime ECL	Stage 3 lifetime ECL	Total
Loss allowance as at 1 January 2019	-	(1)	-	(1)
Changes in the loss allowance	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 1	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 2	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 3	-	-	-	-
New originated or purchased	-	-	-	-
Net remeasurement	-	-	-	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	1	-	1
Write-offs	-	-	-	-
Modification of contractual cash-flows	-	-	-	-
FX and other movements	-	-	-	-
Net change during the period	-	1	-	1
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2019	-	-	-	-

4. Financial risk management (continued)

In MEUR

Loss allowance – debt instruments at FVOCI	Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 lifetime ECL	Stage 3 lifetime ECL	Total
Loss allowance as at 1 January 2018	-	-	-	-
Changes in the loss allowance	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 1	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 2	-	-	-	-
Transfer to stage 3	-	-	-	-
New originated or purchased	-	(1)	-	(1)
Net remeasurement	-	-	-	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-
Write-offs	-	-	-	-
Modification of contractual cash-flows	-	-	-	-
FX and other movements	-	-	-	-
Net change during the period	-	(1)	-	(1)
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2018	-	(1)	-	(1)

The amounts in the below table represent the maximum accounting loss that would be recognised at the reporting date if the counterparties failed completely to meet their obligations and any collateral or security proved to be of no value. The amounts, therefore, greatly exceed the expected losses, which are included in the allowance for uncollectibility, if any. The table comprises off-balance sheet items and financial assets, except equity securities.

	31 December 2019		31 December 2018	
	Portfolio MEUR	% of loan portfolio	Portfolio MEUR	% of loan portfolio
Cash and cash equivalents excluding item “cash in hand”	3,137	11.8	3,212	13.8
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	30	0.1	21	0.1
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	355	1.3	462	2.0
Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	444	1.7	314	1.4
Investment securities at amortized costs	719	2.7	761	3.3
Loans to customers	20,185	75.8	17,462	75.1
Other financial assets	270	1.0	206	0.9
Subtotal of balances from Statements of Financial Position	25,140	94.4	22,438	96.6
Loan commitments	1,485	5.6	814	3.4
Subtotal of off-balance sheet balances	1,485	5.6	814	3.4
Total	26,625		23,252	

4. Financial risk management (continued)

Concentration of credit risk

A concentration of credit risk arises as a result of the existence of loans with similar economic characteristics affecting the debtor's ability to meet its obligations.

The following table shows the economic and geographic concentration of credit risk:

In MEUR

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2018
Economic concentration				
Households/individuals	20,603	77.4%	17,089	73.4%
Financial services	4,966	18.7%	4,643	20.0%
Public sector	749	2.8%	970	4.2%
Corporate sector	221	0.8%	60	0.3%
Construction and real estate	32	0.1%	72	0.3%
Other	54	0.2%	418	1.8%
Total	26,625	100.0%	23,252	100.0%
Geographic concentration				
China	13,103	49.2%	12,236	52.7%
Russia	4,555	17.1%	3,539	15.2%
Czech Republic	4,125	15.5%	3,829	16.5%
Other Asian countries	1,120	4.2%	282	1.2%
India	1,097	4.1%	741	3.2%
Kazakhstan	1,027	3.9%	819	3.5%
Vietnam	941	3.5%	717	3.1%
Slovakia	253	1.0%	249	1.1%
Cyprus	39	0.1%	74	0.3%
Other EU countries	24	0.1%	78	0.3%
Netherlands	14	0.1%	26	0.1%
Other	327	1.2%	662	2.8%
Total	26,625	100.0%	23,252	100.0%

The amounts in the tables represent the maximum accounting loss that would be recognised at the reporting date if the counterparts failed completely to meet their obligations and any collateral or security proved to be of no value. The amounts, therefore, greatly exceed expected losses that are included in the allowance for uncollectibility. The table comprises off-balance sheet items and financial assets, except equity securities.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

Analysis of collateral

The following table provides an analysis of gross loan portfolio by types of collateral as at 31 December 2019 and 31 December 2018:

	31 December 2019		31 December 2018	
	Portfolio MEUR	% of loan portfolio	Portfolio MEUR	% of loan portfolio
Secured assets	453	2.1	455	2.3
Unsecured (no collateral)	21,329	97.9	19,115	97.7
Total	21,782		19,570	

The amounts shown in the table above represent the gross balance of loans, and do not necessarily represent the fair value of the collateral.

Mortgage loans are secured by underlying housing real estate. Car loans are secured by underlying cars. Certain POS loans are secured by underlying motorbikes. Loans to corporations are secured by equity securities and deposits with banks. The other loan categories are unsecured.

Collateral received for loans and advances

Loans and receivables due from banks

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Against loans and receivables in Stage 3 – individually impaired	-	-
Equity securities	-	-
Against loans and receivables in Stage 3 – collectively impaired	-	-
Property and equipment	-	-
Other	-	-
Against loans and receivables in Stage 1 and Stage 2	1,708	1,717
Securities received under reverse repo operations (including cash and cash equivalents)	1,612	1,545
Property and equipment	-	-
Equity securities	96	172
Deposits with banks	-	-
Total	1,708	1,717

4. Financial risk management (continued)

Collateral received for loans and advances

Loans to customers	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Against loans and receivables in Stage 3 – individually impaired	-	43
Property and equipment	-	43
Against loans and receivables in Stage 3 – collectively impaired	24	17
Property and equipment	24	17
Against loans and receivables in Stage 1 and Stage 2	793	703
Securities received under reverse repo operations (including cash and cash equivalents)	-	-
Property and equipment	763	673
Equity securities	26	26
Deposits with banks	4	4
Total	817	763

Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities

The Group's derivative transactions are predominantly entered into under International Derivative Swaps and Dealers Association Master Netting Agreements. In general, under such agreements the amounts owed by each counterparty that are due on a single day in respect of transactions outstanding in the same currency under the agreement are aggregated into a single net amount being payable by one party to the other. In certain circumstances, for example when a credit event such as a default occurs, all outstanding transactions under the agreement are terminated, the termination value is assessed and only a single net amount is due or payable in settlement transactions.

International Derivative Swaps and Dealers Association Master Netting Agreements and similar master netting arrangements do not meet the criteria for offsetting in the consolidated statement of financial position. Therefore, as at 31 December 2019 the reported balances of positive and negative fair values of trading derivatives of MEUR 17 (31 December 2018: MEUR 12) and MEUR 25 (31 December 2018: MEUR 21) respectively do not include any amounts offset.

Loans and advances provided and received under repo operations are covered by Global Master Repurchase Agreements and similar agreements with terms similar to those of International Derivative Swaps and Dealers Association Master Netting Agreements.

Global Master Repurchase Agreements and similar agreements do not meet the criteria for offsetting in the consolidated statement of financial position. Therefore, as at 31 December 2019 the reported balances of loans and advances provided under repo operations of MEUR 198 (31 December 2018: MEUR 64) did not include any amounts offset. The remaining balance of due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies of MEUR 246 (31 December 2018: MEUR 250) was not subject to any offsetting arrangements.

As at 31 December 2019 the reported balances of loans received under repo operations of MEUR 45 (31 December 2018: MEUR 31) did not include any amounts offset. The remaining balance of due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies of MEUR 12,934 (31 December 2018: MEUR 11,935) was not subject to any offsetting arrangements.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

(b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations from its financial liabilities.

The Group's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Group's reputation. All liquidity policies and procedures as well as liquidity position projections are subject to review and approval by the ALCO.

The Group's Treasury collects information from business units regarding the liquidity profile of their financial assets and liabilities and details of other projected cash flows arising from projected future business. Portfolio of short-term liquid assets is maintained to ensure sufficient liquidity. The daily liquidity position is monitored and regular liquidity stress testing is conducted under a variety of scenarios covering both normal and more severe market conditions. The individual scenarios focus on liquidity available on markets, the nature of related risks and magnitude of their impact on the Group's business, management tools available as well as preventive actions.

The Group has access to a diverse funding base. Funds are raised using a broad range of instruments including deposits, bank loans, loans from central banks, debt securities, intercompany loans, subordinated debt and contributions by shareholders (refer to Notes 20, 21, 22, 23 and 26). The shareholder's support enhances funding flexibility, limits dependence on any one source of funds and generally lowers the cost of funds. Management strives to maintain a balance between continuity of funding and flexibility through use of liabilities with a range of maturities.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

Exposure to liquidity risk

The following table shows financial assets and liabilities by remaining contractual maturity dates. The table does not include prospective cash flows related to loan commitments. Refer to Note 39 for outstanding loan commitments that may impact liquidity requirements.

	31 December 2019					31 December 2018				
	Less than 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total	Less than 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	3,288	-	-	-	3,288	3,362	-	-	-	3,362
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	10	9	10	1	30	2	7	7	5	21
Financial assets at FVOCI	300	38	17	-	355	394	28	38	2	462
Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	315	64	62	3	444	146	147	17	4	314
Loans to customers	4,456	6,264	9,292	173	20,185	4,570	5,170	7,561	161	17,462
Investment securities at amortized cost	-	9	403	307	719	-	60	395	306	761
Other financial assets	183	33	31	23	270	150	2	31	23	206
Total financial assets	8,552	6,417	9,815	507	25,291	8,624	5,414	8,049	501	22,588
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	6	16	9	-	31	2	14	5	-	21
Current accounts and deposits from customers	5,524	1,221	603	-	7,348	5,505	1,115	156	-	6,776
Due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	3,197	5,039	4,743	-	12,979	2,555	6,880	2,527	4	11,966
Debt securities issued*	482	1,117	850	-	2,449	173	1,011	611	-	1,795
Subordinated liabilities*	-	-	7	8	15	-	142	7	50	199
Other financial liabilities	408	59	11	7	485	353	41	3	-	397
Total financial liabilities	9,617	7,452	6,223	15	23,307	8,588	9,203	3,309	54	21,154
Net position	(1,065)	(1,035)	3,592	492	1,984	36	(3,789)	4,740	447	1,434

* Debt securities and subordinated liabilities are classified considering early redemption rights (refer to Note 22 and Note 23).

4. Financial risk management (continued)

Exposure to liquidity risk

The following table shows remaining maturities of liabilities on an undiscounted cash flow basis. Only those liability items are shown for which total estimated undiscounted cash flows differ from their book values shown in the consolidated statement of financial position.

MEUR	31 December 2019					31 December 2018				
	Less than 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total	Less than 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
Current accounts and deposits from customers	5,536	1,275	659	-	7,470	5,518	1,162	169	-	6,849
Due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	3,484	5,595	5,030	-	14,109	2,818	7,387	2,725	5	12,935
Debt securities issued*	508	1,216	931	-	2,655	197	1,090	682	-	1,969
Subordinated liabilities*	1	2	8	10	21	-	147	18	54	219
Total	9,529	8,088	6,628	10	24,255	8,533	9,786	3,594	59	21,972

* Debt securities and subordinated liabilities are classified considering early redemption rights (refer to Note 22 and Note 23).

4. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates or foreign exchange rates will affect the Group's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters.

The majority of the Group's exposure to market risk arises in connection with the funding of the Group's operations with liabilities denominated in foreign currencies and to the extent the term structure of interest bearing assets differs from that of liabilities.

Exposure to interest rate risk

The principal risk to which the Group is exposed is the risk of loss from fluctuations in the future cash flows or fair values of financial instruments because of a change in market interest rates. Interest rate risk is managed principally through monitoring interest rate gaps and by having pre-approved limits for re-pricing bands. The ALCO is the monitoring body for compliance with these limits. As part of its management of this position, the Group may use interest rate derivatives.

A summary of the Group's interest rate gap position is provided below.

The management of interest rate risk against interest rate gap limits is supplemented by monitoring the sensitivity of the Group's financial assets and liabilities to various standard and non-standard interest rate scenarios. Standard scenarios that are considered include a 100 basis point parallel fall or rise in all yield curves worldwide. In such case, the net interest income for the year ended 31 December 2019 would be MEUR 276 higher/lower (31 December 2018: MEUR 158) and the revaluation reserve in equity would be MEUR 1 higher/lower (31 December 2018: MEUR 2).

4. Financial risk management (continued)

Interest rate gap position based on re-pricing dates

MEUR	31 December 2019						31 December 2018					
	Effective interest rate	Less than 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total	Effective interest rate	Less than 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
Interest bearing financial assets												
Cash and cash equivalents	1.6%	3,288	-	-	-	3,288	1.5%	3,362	-	-	-	3,362
Financial assets at FVOCI	6.1%	300	38	17	-	355	7.6%	394	28	38	2	462
Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	3.0%	320	91	27	6	444	3.6%	168	125	17	4	314
Loans to customers, net	29.2%	4,510	6,241	9,384	50	20,185	31.1%	4,579	5,216	7,606	61	17,462
Investment securities at amortized cost	2.0%	-	446	5	268	719	1.0%	-	494	-	267	761
Total interest bearing financial assets	n/a	8,418	6,816	9,433	324	24,991	n/a	8,503	5,863	7,661	334	22,361
Interest bearing financial liabilities												
Current accounts and deposits from customers	3.4%	5,524	1,221	603	-	7,348	3.5%	5,505	1,115	156	-	6,776
Due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	9.5%	4,012	5,037	3,930	-	12,979	9.2%	3,209	6,230	2,527	-	11,966
Debt securities issued	9.7%	482	1,117	850	-	2,449	11.0%	173	1,011	611	-	1,795
Subordinated liabilities	7.1%	-	8	7	-	15	9.3%	-	141	7	51	199
Total interest bearing financial liabilities	n/a	10,018	7,383	5,390	-	22,791	n/a	8,887	8,497	3,301	51	20,736
Net position	n/a	(1,600)	(567)	4,043	324	2,200	n/a	(384)	(2,634)	4,360	283	1,625

4. Financial risk management (continued)

Exposure to foreign currency risk

The Group has assets and liabilities denominated in several foreign currencies. Foreign currency risk arises when the actual or forecast assets in a foreign currency are either greater or less than the liabilities in that currency. Foreign currency risk is managed principally through monitoring foreign currency mismatches in the structure of assets and liabilities in the individual Group's country operations. It is the Group's policy to hedge such mismatches by derivative financial instruments to eliminate the foreign currency exposure (refer to Note 38). The ALCO is the monitoring body for compliance with this rule.

Net investments in foreign operations are not hedged. As a result, the Group's financial position is adequately sensitive to movements of the relevant foreign exchange rates. Impact of such exchange rate changes on the Group's net investment in foreign operations is presented as currency translation in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

The following table shows the largest open foreign currency positions of the Group (excluding foreign currency positions from net investment in foreign operations):

Open foreign currency positions

31 December 2019

<i>In MEUR</i>	EUR	USD	CNY	RUB	CZK	KZT	INR	VND	Other
Financial assets	370	456	-	1	85	-	557	-	71
Financial liabilities	(225)	(831)	-	(36)	(145)	-	(279)	-	(38)
Effect of FX derivatives	(132)	557	-	36	48	-	(304)	-	(33)
Net FX position	13	182	-	1	(12)	-	(26)	-	n/a
Effect of 5% depreciation against EUR	n/a	9	-	-	(1)	-	(1)	-	n/a
Net investment in foreign operations	(963)	33	1,521	1,020	544	194	318	157	49
Effect of 5% appreciation against EUR	n/a	2	76	51	27	10	16	8	n/a
Effect of 5% depreciation against EUR	n/a	(2)	(76)	(51)	(27)	(10)	(16)	(8)	n/a

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<i>In MEUR</i>	EUR	USD	CNY	RUB	CZK	KZT	INR	VND	Other
Financial assets	395	393	-	-	10	-	312	-	588
Financial liabilities	(229)	(739)	-	(38)	(125)	-	(156)	-	(361)
Effect of FX derivatives	(197)	348	-	38	109	-	(166)	-	(50)
Net FX position	(31)	2	-	-	(6)	-	(10)	-	n/a
Effect of 5% depreciation against EUR	n/a	-	-	-	-	-	(1)	-	n/a
Net investment in foreign operations	(972)	23	1,462	645	471	146	260	147	(28)
Effect of 5% appreciation against EUR	n/a	1	73	32	24	7	13	7	n/a
Effect of 5% depreciation against EUR	n/a	(1)	(73)	(32)	(24)	(7)	(13)	(7)	n/a

4. Financial risk management (continued)

(d) Insurance risk

The main risk faced by the Group as part of the insurance business is the difference in actual and expected claims for insurance benefits and claims. Insurance risk on insurance contracts is divided into price risk and the reserve deficiency risk.

Price risk

Price risk arises due to the fact that insurance premiums may not be sufficient to cover future losses and expenses on insurance contracts. To manage price risk the Group regularly analyses profitability in the context of insurance products and makes appropriate adjustments in pricing and underwriting policies of the Group.

Reserve deficiency risk

Reserve deficiency risk arises from the uncertainty regarding the development of loss reserves in the future and takes into account the likelihood that insurance reserves are insufficient to meet the Group's obligations to policyholders. Managing this risk is performed through regular checking adequacy of loss reserves and loss analysis of insurance products including sensitivity analysis of insurance reserves to changes in expected insurance contract loss rates.

Insurance risks are reduced through diversification of a large portfolio of insurance contracts, as well as the allocation of geographic regions, which is the Group's main criterion when determining insurance risk concentrations.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

(e) Operational risk

Operational risk is the risk of direct or indirect loss arising from a wide variety of causes associated with the Group's processes, personnel, technology and infrastructure, and from external factors other than credit, market and liquidity risks such as those arising from legal and regulatory requirements and generally accepted standards of corporate behaviour. Operational risks arise from all of the Group's operations and are faced by all business entities.

The Group's objective is to manage operational risk so as to balance the avoidance of financial losses and damage to the Group's reputation with overall cost effectiveness and to avoid control procedures that restrict initiative and creativity.

The primary responsibility for the development and implementation of controls to address operational risk is assigned to senior management of the Group. This responsibility is supported by the development of standards for the management of operational risk in the following areas:

- Requirements for appropriate segregation of duties, including the independent authorization of transactions;
- Requirements for the reconciliation and monitoring of transactions;
- Compliance with regulatory and other legal requirements;
- Documentation of controls and procedures;
- Requirements for the periodic assessment of operational risks faced, and the adequacy of controls and procedures to address the risks identified;
- Requirements for the reporting of operational losses and proposed remedial action;
- Development of contingency plans;
- Training and professional development;
- Ethical and business standards;
- Risk mitigation, including insurance where this is effective.

Compliance with Group standards is supported by a programme of periodic reviews undertaken by internal audit. The individual subsidiaries have their local internal audit teams which also cooperate with the Group internal audit on PPF Group level. The results of internal audit reviews are discussed with the management of the business unit to which they relate with summaries submitted to the senior management of the Group.

(f) Capital management

The Company considers share capital, share premium, statutory reserves and other reserves as part of the capital. The Company's policy is to maintain capital base adequate to its investments in subsidiaries so as to maintain investor, creditor and market confidence, sustain future development of the business and meet the capital requirements related to its funding operations.

There are no regulatory capital requirements for the Company and there have been no significant changes in the Company's management of capital during the period. However, the Company is included in a regulated group of its parent company PPF Financial Holdings B.V.

PPF Financial Holdings B.V. on a consolidated level is required to fulfil the following capital requirements: a Tier 1 capital adequacy ratio of at least 6% and a total capital adequacy ratio of at least 8%. Moreover, PPF Financial Holdings on a consolidated level is required to maintain a capital conservation buffer amounting to 2.5% of its risk-weighted assets and an institution-specific countercyclical capital buffer that is currently around 0.1% given the geographical placement of its assets. PPF Financial Holdings B.V. is obliged to allocate the capital among the subsidiaries in a way commensurate with the risks in the subsidiaries. Regarding the effect of the initial application of the IFRS 9 on the regulatory capital, PPF Financial Holdings B.V. used the option provided by the EU prudential regulation and notified the use of the so called dynamic capital adjustment method to its competent authority. Based on the method, the initial impact and any subsequent impacts would be offset as follows: (i) 95% in 2018, (ii) 85% in 2019, (iii) 75% in 2020, (iv) 50% in 2021, and (v) 25% in 2022.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

Some of the Company's subsidiaries maintain capital adequacy in compliance with local regulatory requirements which require the respective entities to maintain the ratio of total capital to total risk-weighted assets at or above certain minimum level. The ratios are calculated based on financial statements prepared in accordance with local accounting standards. The Group's policy in this respect is to support the subsidiaries with capital as necessary in order to maintain the subsidiaries' full compliance with capital regulations described above.

5. Segment reporting

Business environment

The Group's operations are primarily located in countries which display emerging-market characteristics. Legal, tax and regulatory frameworks continue to be developed, but are subject to varying interpretations and frequent changes that, together with other legal and fiscal impediments, contribute to the challenges faced by entities operating in these markets.

Operating segments

In 2018, the Group decided to change the detailed presentation from the mixture of sector and geographical views to the sector view. The comparative figures has been amended accordingly.

The Group newly reports on one global consumer lending segment where all information about similar products, services, and customers is presented. This approach suits the global business strategy of having a similar approach to customers, a unique and unified product portfolio, as well as centralized processes that drive operational excellence.

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the key operating decision-maker. The senior management team represented by the chief executive officer is our key operating decision-maker.

An operating segment is a component of our Group which satisfies all of the following conditions:

- (1) that component can earn revenues and incur expenses from ordinary activities;
- (2) the component's operating results are regularly reviewed by the key operating decision-maker to make decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment;
- (3) relevant financial information is available to us.

The group reports one Global Consumer Lending segment where all information about similar product, services and customers are presented. This approach suites to global business strategy having similar approach to customers, unique and unified products scale and centralized processes that drives operational excellence.

Segment Other includes servicing and holding operations of the Group.

Financial information

Intra-segment revenue and costs are eliminated. Income and expenses directly associated with each segment are taken into consideration in determining segment performance. The classification of reporting segments is determined based on the operating segments, and the assets and expenses shared by all the segments are allocated according to their scale.

Information about geographical areas are presented separately and took into consideration such aspects as the similarity of the licensing mechanism, the macroeconomics criteria of the grouped areas as well as the current life span of the individual countries where the Group operates.

Information on individual segments is presented before consolidation eliminations (which are presented in a separate column).

5. Segment reporting (continued)

	Consumer Lending	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated
	For the year ended 31 December,			
	2019	2019	2019	2019
	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR
Operating income from external customers	4,256	(7)	-	4,249
<i>China</i>	2,527	-	-	2,527
<i>CIS</i>	639	-	-	639
<i>SSEA</i>	894	-	-	894
<i>CEE</i>	196	-	-	196
<i>Other</i>	-	(7)	-	(7)
Inter-segment operating income	(2)	119	(117)	-
<i>China</i>	-	-	-	-
<i>CIS</i>	-	-	-	-
<i>SSEA</i>	(4)	-	4	-
<i>CEE</i>	2	-	(2)	-
<i>Other</i>	-	119	(119)	-
Total operating income	4,254	112	(117)	4,249
Net interest income from external customers	3,715	(52)	-	3,663
<i>China</i>	2,289	-	-	2,289
<i>CIS</i>	546	-	-	546
<i>SSEA</i>	684	-	-	684
<i>CEE</i>	196	-	-	196
<i>Other</i>	-	(52)	-	(52)
Inter-segment net interest income	(3)	(1)	4	-
<i>China</i>	-	-	-	-
<i>CIS</i>	-	-	-	-
<i>SSEA</i>	(4)	-	4	-
<i>CEE</i>	1	-	(1)	-
<i>Other</i>	-	(1)	1	-
Total net interest income	3,712	(53)	4	3,663
Income tax expense	(193)	(20)	-	(213)
Net segment result	565	(174)	9	400
Depreciation and amortization	(173)	(52)	42	(183)
Other significant non-cash expenses ¹⁾	(1,806)	(19)	-	(1,825)
Capital expenditure	(164)	(81)	57	(188)

1) Other significant non-cash expenses are represented by impairment losses on financial and non-financial assets.

5. Segment reporting (continued)

	Consumer Lending	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated
	As at 31 December,			
	2019	2019	2019	2019
	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR
Net loans to external customers	20,164	74	(53)	20,185
<i>China</i>	<i>11,955</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>11,955</i>
<i>CIS</i>	<i>3,773</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>3,773</i>
<i>SSEA</i>	<i>2,581</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>2,581</i>
<i>CEE</i>	<i>1,855</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>1,855</i>
<i>Other</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>74</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>74</i>
<i>Eliminations</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>(53)</i>	<i>(53)</i>
Gross loans to external customers	21,743	92	(53)	21,782
<i>China</i>	<i>12,992</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>12,992</i>
<i>CIS</i>	<i>3,929</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>3,929</i>
<i>SSEA</i>	<i>2,780</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>2,780</i>
<i>CEE</i>	<i>2,042</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>2,042</i>
<i>Other</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>92</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>92</i>
<i>Eliminations</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>(53)</i>	<i>(53)</i>
	As at 31 December 2019			
Segment assets²⁾	26,230	610	(250)	26,590
Investments in associates	4	24	-	28
Segment liabilities²⁾	22,400	1,575	(258)	23,717
Segment equity²⁾	3,830	(965)	8	2,873

2) Consolidation adjustments are included in Eliminations.

5. Segment reporting (continued)

	Consumer Lending	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated
	For the year ended 31 December,			
	2018	2018	2018	2018
	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR
Operating income from external customers	3,985	(32)	-	3,953
<i>China</i>	2,540	-	-	2,540
<i>CIS</i>	581	-	-	581
<i>SSEA</i>	697	-	-	697
<i>CEE</i>	167	-	-	167
<i>Other</i>	-	(32)	-	(32)
Inter-segment operating income	(1)	122	(121)	-
<i>China</i>	-	-	-	-
<i>CIS</i>	-	-	-	-
<i>SSEA</i>	(2)	-	2	-
<i>CEE</i>	1	-	(1)	-
<i>Other</i>	-	122	(122)	-
Total operating income	3,984	90	(121)	3,953
Net interest income from external customers	3,297	(80)	-	3,217
<i>China</i>	2,076	-	-	2,076
<i>CIS</i>	491	-	-	491
<i>SSEA</i>	559	-	-	559
<i>CEE</i>	171	-	-	171
<i>Other</i>	-	(80)	-	(80)
Inter-segment net interest income	(2)	(1)	3	-
<i>China</i>	-	-	-	-
<i>CIS</i>	-	-	-	-
<i>SSEA</i>	(2)	-	2	-
<i>CEE</i>	-	-	-	-
<i>Other</i>	-	(1)	1	-
Total net interest income	3,295	(81)	3	3,217
Income tax expense	(69)	22	-	(47)
Net segment result	528	(115)	9	422
Depreciation and amortization	(113)	(32)	31	(114)
Other significant non-cash expenses ¹⁾	(1,714)	(20)	-	(1,734)
Capital expenditure	(178)	(31)	67	(142)

1) Other significant non-cash expenses are represented by impairment losses on financial and non-financial assets.

5. Segment reporting (continued)

	Consumer Lending	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated
As at 31 December,				
	2018 MEUR	2018 MEUR	2018 MEUR	2018 MEUR
Net loans to external customers	17,431	89	(58)	17,462
<i>China</i>	<i>10,920</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>10,920</i>
<i>CIS</i>	<i>3,083</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>3,083</i>
<i>SSEA</i>	<i>1,915</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>1,915</i>
<i>CEE</i>	<i>1,513</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>1,513</i>
<i>Other</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>89</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>89</i>
<i>Eliminations</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>(58)</i>	<i>(58)</i>
Gross loans to external customers	19,522	106	(58)	19,570
<i>China</i>	<i>12,446</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>12,446</i>
<i>CIS</i>	<i>3,245</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>3,245</i>
<i>SSEA</i>	<i>2,128</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>2,128</i>
<i>CEE</i>	<i>1,703</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>1,703</i>
<i>Other</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>106</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>106</i>
<i>Eliminations</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>(58)</i>	<i>(58)</i>
As at 31 December 2018				
Segment assets²⁾	23,378	494	(225)	23,647
Investments in associates	12	15	-	27
Segment liabilities²⁾	20,294	1,427	(228)	21,493
Segment equity²⁾	3,084	(933)	3	2,154

2) Consolidation adjustments are included in Eliminations.

5. Segment reporting (continued)

Additional information about significant geographical areas for consumer lending.

	NPL ratio *	NPL coverage ratio **	Cost of risk ***
As at 31 December 2019			
China	6.2%	129.4%	11.5%
CIS	3.1%	128.3%	1.4%
SSEA	4.1%	176.5%	10.3%
CEE	8.8%	103.8%	(0.2)%
	NPL ratio *	NPL coverage ratio **	Cost of risk ***
As at 31 December 2018			
China	9.7%	125.9%	12.4%
CIS	3.7%	135.0%	1.8%
SSEA	6.2%	160.4%	12.3%
CEE	10.7%	105.6%	(0.4)%

* NPL ratio is calculated as gross non-performing loans divided by total gross loans. The Group defines non-performing loans as loans at Stage 3.

** NPL coverage ratio is calculated as loss allowance for loans to customers divided by gross non-performing loans.

*** Cost of risk ratio represents impairment losses on the loan portfolio (annualised) divided by average balance of gross loans to customers, which is calculated by the average balance of the opening and closing balances for the year/period.

6. Fair values of financial instruments

Fair value measurement methodology is explained in Note 3(e)(iii).

The following table shows the carrying amounts and fair values of financial instruments measured at amortised cost, including their levels in the fair value hierarchy:

	Note	Carrying amount MEUR	Fair Value				Total MEUR
			Level 1 MEUR	Level 2 MEUR	Level 3 MEUR		
31 December 2019							
Cash and cash equivalents	7	3,288	3,288	-	-		3,288
Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	10	444	-	444	-		444
Investment securities at amortised costs	12	719	714	5	-		719
Loans to customers	11	20,185	-	-	20,215		20,215
Current accounts and deposits from customers	20	(7,348)	-	(7,413)	-		(7,413)
Due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	21	(12,979)	-	(12,972)	-		(12,972)
Debt securities issued	22	(2,449)	(1,708)	(213)	(503)		(2,424)
Subordinated liabilities	23	(15)	-	-	(15)		(15)
		1,845	2,294	(20,149)	19,697		1,842
	Note	Carrying amount MEUR	Level 1 MEUR	Level 2 MEUR	Level 3 MEUR		Total MEUR
31 December 2018							
Cash and cash equivalents	7	3,362	3,362	-	-		3,362
Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	10	314	-	314	-		314
Investment securities at amortised costs	12	761	749	-	-		749
Loans to customers	11	17,462	-	-	17,674		17,674
Current accounts and deposits from customers	20	(6,776)	-	(6,784)	-		(6,784)
Due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	21	(11,966)	-	(11,969)	-		(11,969)
Debt securities issued	22	(1,795)	(1,050)	(269)	(481)		(1,800)
Subordinated liabilities	23	(199)	(141)	-	(59)		(200)
		1,163	2,920	(18,708)	17,134		1,346

There were no transfers between Level 1, 2 and 3 in the year ended 31 December 2019 nor the year ended 31 December 2018.

The Group's estimates of fair values of its other financial assets and liabilities not measured at fair value are not significantly different from their carrying values.

6. Fair values of financial instruments (continued)

The following table shows an analysis of financial instruments recorded at fair value broken down into those whose fair value is based on quoted market prices (Level 1), calculated using valuation techniques where all the model inputs are observable in the market, typically interest rates and foreign exchange rates (Level 2) and calculated using valuation techniques where significant model inputs are not observable in the market (Level 3):

31 December 2019	Note	Level 1 MEUR	Level 2 MEUR	Level 3 MEUR	Total MEUR
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	8	-	30	-	30
Financial assets at FVOCI	9	337	18	-	355
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	19	-	(31)	-	(31)
		337	17	-	354

31 December 2018	Note	Level 1 MEUR	Level 2 MEUR	Level 3 MEUR	Total MEUR
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	8	-	21	-	21
Financial assets at FVOCI	9	433	29	-	462
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	19	-	(21)	-	(21)
		433	29	-	462

There were no transfers between Level 1, 2 and 3 in the year ended 31 December 2019 or in the year ended 31 December 2018.

Reconciliation of movements in Level 3:	Equity securities at FVOCI MEUR	Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss MEUR
Balance at 1 January 2018	9	(313)
Purchases, sales, issues and settlements during the period	-	293
Transfer out of Level 3	(9)	-
Gains/(losses) recognized in profit or loss	-	20
Closing balance at 31 December 2018	-	-

No movements were noted in Level 3 financial instruments for the year ended 31 December 2019.

The fair valuation methodology for Level 3 equity instruments is based on comparable market transactions at the valuation date. The fair value of equity securities is sensitive to economic developments at the businesses in question.

7. Cash and cash equivalents

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Cash on hand	151	150
Current accounts	1,305	1,480
Current accounts with central banks	208	204
Reverse repo operations with central banks	1,414	1,479
Placements with financial institutions due within one month	210	49
	<u>3,288</u>	<u>3,362</u>

As at 31 December 2019 current accounts comprise MEUR 809 (31 December 2018: MEUR 792) which is restricted to its use. The use of the cash is restricted by the borrowing agreements in China with the creditors to i) disbursement of loans to retail clients; or ii) repayment of the loans received from the creditors. If the cash is used to provide loans to retail clients, the loans are pledged as collateral. Thus, the restriction on the cash effectively increases the security of the creditors.

8. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Positive fair values of trading derivatives	17	12
Positive fair values of hedging derivatives	13	9
	<u>30</u>	<u>21</u>

9. Financial assets at FVOCI

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Equity securities	1	1
Government bonds	335	420
Corporate bonds	19	41
	<u>355</u>	<u>462</u>

As at 31 December 2019 financial assets at FVOCI of MEUR 46 (31 December 2018: MEUR 33) served as collateral for bank loan facilities (loans received under repo operations and secured loans) (Note 21).

10. Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Loans and term deposits with banks, other financial institutions and holding companies due in more than one month	121	140
Loans and advances provided under reverse repo operations	198	64
Minimum reserve deposits with central banks	112	99
Cash collateral for derivative instruments	13	10
Other	-	1
	<u>444</u>	<u>314</u>

The minimum reserve deposits are mandatory non-interest bearing deposits whose withdrawals are restricted and which are maintained in accordance with regulations issued by central banks in countries in which the Group's banking entities operate.

As at 31 December 2019 term deposit of MEUR 8 (31 December 2018: MEUR 7) served as cash collateral for syndicated loan interest payments.

As at 31 December 2019 margin deposit of MEUR 6 (31 December 2018: MEUR 4) served as cash collateral for foreign exchange derivative contracts.

11. Loans to customers

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Gross amount		
Cash loan receivables	15,146	13,498
POS loan receivables	5,238	5,000
Revolving loan receivables	879	595
Mortgage loan receivables	241	210
Car loan receivables	164	132
Loans to corporations	111	133
Other	3	2
	<u>21,782</u>	<u>19,570</u>
Collective allowances for impairment		
Cash loan receivables	(1,233)	(1,560)
POS loan receivables	(245)	(441)
Revolving loan receivables	(78)	(66)
Mortgage loan receivables	(2)	(4)
Car loan receivables	(22)	(22)
	<u>(1,580)</u>	<u>(2,093)</u>
Specific allowances for impairment		
Loans to corporations	(17)	(15)
	<u>(17)</u>	<u>(15)</u>
	<u>20,185</u>	<u>17,462</u>

As at 31 December 2019 cash loan receivables of MEUR 202 (31 December 2018: MEUR nil) and POS loan receivables of MEUR 1,994 (31 December 2018: MEUR 1,046) served as collateral for debt securities issued (Note 22).

As at 31 December 2019 cash loan receivables of MEUR 9,133 (31 December 2018: MEUR 7,877) and POS loan receivables of MEUR 515 (31 December 2018: MEUR 1,162) served as collateral for bank loan facilities (Note 21).

Loan receivables used as collateral as part of these funding activities were pledged under terms that are usual and customary for such activities.

12. Investment securities at amortized cost

Investment securities at amortized cost represent government bonds of the Czech Republic and Romania and corporate bonds of the Russian Federation.

	Interest rate	Final maturity	Amount outstanding	
			31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
			MEUR	MEUR
Unsecured CZK bond issue of MCZK 9 850,4 (SD VAR23)	2.86%	April 2023	405	400
Unsecured CZK bond issue of MCZK 1 000 (SD VAR27)	2.13%	November 2027	39	39
Unsecured CZK bond issue of MCZK 2 250 (SD 2,4/25)	2.40%	September 2025	96	97
Unsecured CZK bond issue of MCZK 1 800 (SD 4,2/36)	4.20%	December 2036	96	95
Unsecured CZK bond issue of MCZK 1 750 (SD 2,5/28)	2.50%	August 2028	78	77
Unsecured corporate bonds	8.50%	April 2021	5	-
Unsecured EUR bond issue of MEUR 51,12 (4,875 Romania 07/11/2019)	4.88%	November 2019	-	53
			719	761

13. Assets classified as held for sale

Assets classified as held for sale represent assets acquired through court decisions on defaulted mortgages.

In the segment analysis (Note 5), all assets classified as held for sale are presented as part of the CIS segment.

14. Investments in associates

As at 31 December the Group had the following investments in associates:

	Country of incorporation	Ownership interest 2019 (%)	Carrying amount 31 Dec 2019 MEUR	Ownership interest 2018 (%)	Carrying amount 31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Barion Payment Zrt.	Hungary	20.00	2	20.00	2
Equifax Credit Services (LLC)	Russian Federation	25.00	4	25.00	3
Společnost pro informační databáze (JSC)	Czech Republic	27.96	-	27.96	-
Nymbus	USA	13.92	14	20.23	15
Eureka Analytics Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	24.50	8	26.70	7
			28		27

The share in Nymbus declined just before the end of the year 2019, therefore it is still treated as an associate as at 31 December 2019.

15. Property and equipment

31 December 2019	Buildings MEUR	Equipment and other tangible assets MEUR	Right-of-use Land and buildings MEUR	Total MEUR
Acquisition cost				
Balance as at 31 December 2018	82	305	-	387
Transition impact of IFRS 16	-	-	166	166
Balance as at 1 January 2019	82	305	166	553
Additions	4	39	25	68
Disposals	(1)	(29)	(6)	(36)
Transfers and other changes	(2)	2	-	-
Translation difference	9	15	5	29
Balance as at 31 December 2019	92	332	190	614
Accumulated depreciation				
Balance as at 1 January 2019	27	179	-	206
Charge for the period	3	55	47	105
Disposals	(1)	(24)	(2)	(27)
Translation difference	3	11	-	14
Balance as at 31 December 2019	32	221	45	298
Carrying amount				
at 1 January 2019	55	126	-	181
at 31 December 2019	60	111	145	316

Initial application of IFRS 16 *Leases* resulted in recognition of right-of-use assets in the amount of MEUR 145. For more details see Note 3(a).

15. Property and equipment (continued)

31 December 2018	Buildings MEUR	Equipment and other tangible assets MEUR	Total MEUR
Acquisition cost			
Balance as at 1 January 2018	91	289	380
Additions	9	65	74
Disposals	-	(42)	(42)
Transfers and other changes	(8)	7	(1)
Translation difference	(10)	(14)	(24)
Balance as at 31 December 2018	82	305	387
Accumulated depreciation			
Balance as at 1 January 2018	27	162	189
Additions	-	(1)	(1)
Charge for the period	3	50	53
Disposals	-	(22)	(22)
Translation difference	(3)	(10)	(13)
Balance as at 31 December 2018	27	179	206
Impairment			
Balance as at 1 January 2018	-	1	1
Reversal of impairment losses	-	(1)	(1)
Balance as at 31 December 2018	-	-	-
Carrying amount			
at 1 January 2018	64	126	190
at 31 December 2018	55	126	181

16. Intangible assets and goodwill

31 December 2019	Goodwill	Software	Other intangible assets	Total
	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR
Acquisition cost				
Balance as at 1 January 2019	3	558	19	580
Additions	-	144	24	168
Disposals	-	(3)	(1)	(4)
Transfers and other changes	-	16	(16)	-
Translation difference	-	17	-	17
Balance as at 31 December 2019	3	732	26	761
Accumulated amortization				
Balance as at 1 January 2019	-	288	5	293
Charge for the period	-	76	2	78
Disposals	-	(3)	-	(3)
Transfers and other changes	-	2	(2)	-
Translation difference	-	13	-	13
Balance as at 31 December 2019	-	376	5	381
Carrying amount				
at 1 January 2019	3	270	14	287
at 31 December 2019	3	356	21	380

16. Intangible assets and goodwill (continued)

31 December 2018	Goodwill	Software	Other intangible assets	Total
	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR
Acquisition cost				
Balance as at 1 January 2018	3	500	7	510
Additions	-	106	13	119
Disposals	-	(33)	(1)	(34)
Translation difference	-	(15)	-	(15)
Balance as at 31 December 2018	3	558	19	580
Accumulated amortization				
Balance as at 1 January 2018	-	264	4	268
Charge for the period	-	59	2	61
Disposals	-	(27)	(1)	(28)
Transfers and other changes	-	3	-	3
Translation difference	-	(11)	-	(11)
Balance as at 31 December 2018	-	288	5	293
Carrying amount				
at 1 January 2018	3	236	3	242
at 31 December 2018	3	270	14	287

17. Deferred tax assets and liabilities

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are attributable to the following items (netted for all jurisdictions):

	Assets		Liabilities		Net	
	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Deferred tax arising from “Loans to customers”	345	324	-	-	345	324
Deferred tax arising from “Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies”	-	24	-	-	-	24
Deferred tax arising from “Carrying value of property and equipment”	5	1	(8)	(8)	(3)	(7)
Deferred tax arising from “Fair value of financial assets and liabilities”	3	-	(1)	-	2	-
Deferred tax arising from “Other assets”	48	47	(30)	(21)	18	26
Deferred tax arising from “Debt securities issued”	12	-	-	-	12	-
Deferred tax arising from “Tax loss carry forward”	7	11	-	-	7	11
Other	30	36	(2)	-	28	36
Deferred tax assets/(liabilities)					409	414

Deferred tax assets and liabilities in the Consolidated statements of financial position

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Deferred tax assets	422	423
Deferred tax liabilities	(13)	(9)
Net deferred tax assets	409	414

The Group does not recognize deferred tax liability in respect of dividend withholding tax relating to the undistributed profits of the Group as the Company controls the dividend policy of these subsidiaries and it is determined that dividends would not be distributed from these subsidiaries in the foreseeable future.

17. Deferred tax assets and liabilities (continued)

	<u>31 Dec 2019</u>	<u>31 Dec 2018</u>
	<u>MEUR</u>	<u>MEUR</u>
Analysis of movements in net deferred tax assets		
Net deferred tax asset as at 1 January	414	324
Deferred tax (expense)/income for the period	(14)	35
Deferred tax recognized directly in equity	1	59
Net foreign exchange differences	8	(4)
Balance as at 31 December	<u><u>409</u></u>	<u><u>414</u></u>

Deferred tax not recognized

As at 31 December 2019 the Group records incurred tax losses from recent years of MEUR 555 (31 December 2018: MEUR 455) available to be carried forward and off-set against future taxable income. To the extent that it is not considered likely that taxable profits will be available against which the unused tax losses can be utilized, the deferred tax assets are not recognized. The unrecognised deferred tax assets amount to MEUR 96 (31 December 2018: MEUR 71). The unutilized tax losses expire as follows:

	<u>31 Dec 2019</u>	<u>31 Dec 2018</u>
Year of expiration	<u>MEUR</u>	<u>MEUR</u>
2019	-	8
2020	2	11
2021	11	15
2022	15	12
2023	17	14
2024	24	5
2025	61	17
2026	87	85
2027	2	1
2028	1	-
2029	1	-
Tax losses that can be carried forward indefinitely	334	287
Total	<u><u>555</u></u>	<u><u>455</u></u>

Expiration dates and unrecognized deferred tax asset recalculation is performed based on the applicable legislation of countries where subsidiaries are located.

18. Other assets

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Settlement accounts	118	56
Prepaid expenses	110	112
Cash collateral for payment cards	61	51
Trade receivables and settlement with suppliers	53	58
Insurance deposit	21	24
Rental deposit	11	8
Accrued income from insurance fees	7	9
Other taxes receivable	6	6
Inventories	3	2
Other	9	13
Deferred acquisition costs of insurance contracts	-	1
Total gross carrying amount	399	340
Allowance for impairment	(4)	(4)
Total net carrying amount	395	336

Analysis of movements in allowances for impairment

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Balance as at 1 January	(4)	-
Net impairment losses recognized in the statement of comprehensive income	-	(5)
Amounts related to assets sold and written off	-	1
Translation difference	-	-
Balance as at 31 December	(4)	(4)
Total Other assets	395	336

19. Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Negative fair value of trading derivative instruments	25	21
Negative fair value of hedging derivative instruments	6	-
	<u>31</u>	<u>21</u>

20. Current accounts and deposits from customers

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Current accounts and demand deposits	5,039	4,707
Term deposits	2,298	2,048
Borrowings	10	19
Other	1	2
	<u>7,348</u>	<u>6,776</u>

21. Due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Secured loans	7,658	7,100
Unsecured loans	5,208	4,763
Loans received under repo operations	45	31
Other balances	68	72
	<u>12,979</u>	<u>11,966</u>

As at 31 December 2019 the balances of loans secured by cash loan receivables, POS loan receivables and term deposits were MEUR 6,744 (31 December 2018: MEUR 5,732), MEUR 406 (31 December 2018: MEUR 881) and MEUR nil (31 December 2018: MEUR nil), respectively.

As at 31 December 2019 the balances of loans secured by cash were MEUR 508 (31 December 2018: MEUR 454).

As at 31 December 2019 the balances of loans secured by guarantees were MEUR nil (31 December 2018: MEUR 33).

As at 31 December 2019 the balance of loans received under repo operations were secured by financial assets at FVOCI.

These amounts represent the balances of loans, and do not necessarily represent the fair value of the collateral.

Due to holding companies

As at 31 December 2019 the balance of loans due to holding companies was MEUR 249, maturity 30 June 2020, 7.5% (31 December 2018: MEUR 365, maturity 31 March 2019, 7.5%).

22. Debt securities issued

Debt securities issued relate to bonds issued, certificates of deposit, asset-backed security issues and promissory notes except for subordinated items.

The maturities of the debt securities are as follows:

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
<i>Fixed rate debt securities</i>		
Within 1 year	1,455	1,150
1-2 years	688	313
2-3 years	59	237
4-5 years	71	-
<i>Variable rate debt securities</i>		
Within 1 year	28	61
1-2 years	84	28
2-3 years	64	6
	<u>2,449</u>	<u>1,795</u>

As at 31 December 2019 the issued securities secured by cash and cash equivalents, cash loan receivables and POS loan receivables were MEUR 1,293 (31 December 2018: MEUR 1,076).

23. Subordinated liabilities

	Interest rate	Final maturity	Amount outstanding 31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Loan participation notes issue of MUSD 200	Fixed	April 2021	-	140
Subordinated bonds issue of MCZK 2,000	Fixed	April 2024	-	53
Subordinated bonds issue of MCZK 200	Fixed	October 2029	8	-
Loan Sprint eBusiness of MUSD 7,485	Variable	March 2023	7	6
			<u>15</u>	<u>199</u>

Subordinated loan participation notes issue of MUSD 200 were issued in October 2013 through Eurasia Capital S.A. (Note 1). The Group had an early redemption option exercisable on 17 April 2019 (the reset date) which was used for early redemption of MUSD 157. After the reset date the interest rate is determined as a variable rate. Before 31 December 2018 the Group bought back part of the loan participation notes. Their cumulative par value were MUSD nil as at 31 December 2019 (31 December 2018: MUSD 43). The participation notes were fully repaid in April 2019.

Subordinated bonds issue of MCZK 2,000 were issued in April 2014. The Group had an early redemption option exercisable on 30 April 2019. As at 30 April 2019 the redemption option was exercised in full.

24. Insurance and other provisions

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Provisions for unearned premiums	37	30
Provisions for insurance commissions return	10	8
Other provisions	7	4
	<u>54</u>	<u>42</u>
	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Provisions for unearned premiums		
Balance as at 1 January	30	25
Premiums written during a period	24	31
Premiums earned during the period	(21)	(22)
Translation difference	4	(4)
	<u>37</u>	<u>30</u>
Balance as at 31 December	37	30
Provisions for outstanding claims		
Balance as at 1 January	-	1
Claims incurred in the current period	-	1
Adjustments for losses incurred in previous periods	-	(1)
Claims paid during the period	-	(1)
Translation difference	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Balance as at 31 December	-	-

25. Other liabilities

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Settlement with suppliers	170	176
Lease liabilities	147	-
Customer loan overpayments	125	53
Accrued employee compensation	117	138
Accrued expenses	89	85
Other taxes payable	58	85
Deferred income and prepayments	5	3
Other	84	45
Advances received	-	18
	<u>795</u>	<u>603</u>
	795	603

26. Equity

Before the reverse acquisition, the authorized share capital of Home Credit N.V. comprised 1,250,000,000 ordinary shares at a par value of EUR 0.57 of which 1,156,174,806 shares were issued and fully paid. In conjunction with the reverse acquisition, Home Credit Group B.V. and Home Credit N.V. agreed to implement a combination, whereby 100% of the shares of Home Credit N.V. were exchanged for shares of Home Credit Group B.V., so as of 31 December 2019 the Group's share capital comprised 175,438,596,491 ordinary shares at a par value of EUR 0.0057, of which all 175,438,596,491 shares were issued and fully paid. All issued shares bear equal voting rights. The holders of the shares are entitled to receive distributions of profits and reserves when declared by the general meeting of the Company. No distributions can be made if the total amount of the reserves to be maintained pursuant to the law or the articles of association exceeds the Company's equity and the management board has not given its approval to such distribution.

The creation and use of statutory reserves is limited by legislation and the articles of each company within the Group. Statutory reserves are not available for distribution to the shareholders.

The foreign currency translation reserve comprises foreign exchange differences arising from translation of the financial statements of companies within the Group with a functional currency other than the presentation currency. The translation reserve is not available for distribution to the shareholders.

The reserve for business combinations under common control was recognized on acquisitions of HC Asia B.V., Home Credit Consumer Finance Co., Ltd., Home Credit Vietnam Finance Company Limited, CF Commercial Consulting (Beijing) Co., Ltd., Air Bank (JSC) and Home Credit N.V. from the Group's shareholders. The reserve for business combinations under common control is not available for distribution to the shareholders.

Other reserves represent retained earnings, profit/ (loss) for the period and AT1 subordinated bond issued by one of subsidiaries. Balance related to AT1 subordinated bond is not available for distribution to the shareholders.

The revaluation reserve represents the revaluation deficit or surplus, net of deferred tax, recognized on changes in the fair value of financial assets at FVOCI. The revaluation reserve is not available for distribution to the shareholders.

The hedging reserve comprises the effective portion of the cumulative net change in the fair value of hedging instruments used in cash flow hedges pending subsequent recognition in profit or loss as the hedged cash flows affect profit or loss.

27. Non-controlling interests

As at 31 December 2019 the Group reported the following non-controlling interests (NCI) and net loss allocated to non-controlling interests for the year ended 31 December 2019:

	NCI	Total assets	Total liabilities	Carrying amount of NCI	Net profit/(loss) for the period	Net loss allocated to NCI
	%	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR
Home Credit US (LLC)	49.90	112	79	17	(35)	(17)
PT. Home Credit Indonesia	15.00	430	350	12	3	-
				<u>29</u>		<u>(17)</u>

As at 31 December 2018 the Group reported the following non-controlling interests (NCI) and net loss allocated to non-controlling interests for the year ended 31 December 2018:

	NCI	Total assets	Total liabilities	Carrying amount of NCI	Net profit/(loss) for the period	Net loss allocated to NCI
	%	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR
Home Credit US (LLC)	49.90	91	72	10	(47)	(23)
PT. Home Credit Indonesia	15.00	276	227	7	3	-
				<u>17</u>		<u>(23)</u>

28. Reconciliation of movements of liabilities to cash flows arising from financing activities

Reconciliation of movements of liabilities to cash flows arising from financing activities:

	Liabilities		Equity			Total
	Debt securities and subordinated liabilities	Due to banks, other financial institution and holding companies	Share capital	Share premium	Other reserves	
	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	
Balance as at 1 January 2019	1,994	11,966	1,000	628	1,318	16,906
<u>Changes from financing cash flows</u>						
Proceeds from the issue of debt securities	2,038	-	-	-	-	2,038
Proceeds from due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	-	23,300	-	-	-	23,300
Repayment of debt securities	(1,598)	-	-	-	-	(1,598)
Repayment of due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	-	(22,391)	-	-	-	(22,391)
Issue of AT1 subordinated bond	-	-	-	-	182	182
Total changes from financing cash flows	440	909	-	-	182	1,531
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	417	417
The effect of changes in foreign exchange rates and transfers	19	95	-	-	(33)	81
Interest expense	167	1,254	-	-	-	1,421
Interest paid	(156)	(1,245)	-	-	-	(1,401)
Total other changes	30	104	-	-	384	518
Balance as at 31 December 2019	2,464	12,979	1,000	628	1,884	18,955

28. Reconciliation of movements of liabilities to cash flows arising from financing activities (continued)

Reconciliation of movements of liabilities to cash flows arising from financing activities:

	Liabilities		Equity			Total
	Debt securities and subordinated liabilities	Due to banks, other financial institution and holding companies	Share capital	Share premium	Other reserves	
	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	
Balance as at 31 December 2017	1,381	10,598	7	-	1,100	13,086
Adjustment on initial application of IFRS 9, net of tax	-	-	-	-	(203)	(203)
Balance as at 1 January 2018	1,381	10,598	7	-	897	12,883
<u>Changes from financing cash flows</u>						
Proceeds from share premium increase	-	-	-	275	-	275
Proceeds from the issue of debt securities	1,895	-	-	-	-	1,895
Proceeds from due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	-	17,017	-	-	-	17,017
Repayment of debt securities	(1,254)	-	-	-	-	(1,254)
Repayment of due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	-	(15,261)	-	-	-	(15,261)
Total changes from financing cash flows	641	1,756	-	275	-	2,672
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	445	445
The effect of changes in foreign exchange rates and transfers	(25)	(103)	-	-	(24)	(152)
Interest expense	125	1,033	-	-	-	1,158
Interest paid	(128)	(1,318)	-	-	-	(1,446)
Contribution in kind (reverse acquisition) ¹	-	-	993	353	-	1,346
Total other changes	(28)	(388)	993	353	421	1,351
Balance as at 31 December 2018	1,994	11,966	1,000	628	1,318	16,906

¹ Refer to Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 31 December 2018 for details.

29. Interest income and interest expense

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Interest income		
Cash loan receivables	4,031	3,464
POS loan receivables	1,000	907
Revolving loan receivables	141	106
Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	85	54
Car loan receivables	21	19
Financial assets at FVOCI	19	31
Financial instruments at amortized cost	11	7
Mortgage loan receivables	6	5
Financial assets at FVTPL	5	-
Other	6	8
	<u>5,325</u>	<u>4,601</u>
Interest expense		
Due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	1,254	1,033
Current accounts and deposits from customers	225	220
Debt securities issued	161	102
Lease liabilities	9	-
Subordinated liabilities	6	23
Other	7	6
	<u>1,662</u>	<u>1,384</u>

30. Fee and commission income

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Customer protection fee income	358	552
Late payment fees	128	162
Commission income from partners	57	33
Customer payment processing and account maintenance	49	41
Cash transactions	37	27
Retailers commissions	16	17
Other	16	5
	<u>661</u>	<u>837</u>

31. Fee and commission expense

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Payment processing and account maintenance	56	43
Credit and other register expense	39	41
Cash transactions	32	25
Commissions to retailers	21	21
Payments to deposit insurance agencies	18	20
Stamp duties	4	2
Other	8	5
	<u>178</u>	<u>157</u>

32. Net insurance income

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Gross premiums earned	21	22
Acquisition costs	(4)	(5)
	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>

33. Net (losses)/gains on financial assets and liabilities

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Net foreign currency losses	(12)	(1)
Net trading gains on other financial assets and liabilities	13	25
Net losses on derivative instruments	(19)	(22)
	<u>(18)</u>	<u>2</u>

34. Other operating income

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Income from other services provided	23	13
Net gain on disposal of loan receivables	16	-
Income from non-current financial assets	9	5
Other	56	19
	<u>104</u>	<u>37</u>

35. Impairment losses on financial assets

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Cash loan receivables	1,552	1,337
POS loan receivables	245	365
Revolving loan receivables	25	18
Car loan receivables	2	-
Mortgage loan receivables	(2)	(2)
Loans to corporations	-	9
Financial assets at FVOCI	-	1
Other financial assets	1	1
	<u>1,823</u>	<u>1,729</u>

36. Personnel expenses and Other operating expenses

Personnel expenses	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Employee compensation	898	909
Payroll related taxes (including pension contributions)	202	220
Total personnel expenses	<u>1,100</u>	<u>1,129</u>
Other operating expenses	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Professional services	91	59
Telecommunication and postage	89	77
Advertising and marketing	68	60
Collection agency fee	66	56
Information technologies	53	65
Taxes other than income tax	51	43
Travel expenses	26	26
Impairment losses on other non-financial assets	2	5
Loss on disposal of property and equipment and intangible assets	2	(1)
Other	46	40
Total operating expenses	<u>494</u>	<u>430</u>

37. Income tax expense

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Current tax expense	(199)	(82)
Deferred tax (expense)/benefit	<u>(14)</u>	<u>35</u>
Total income tax expense in the statement of comprehensive income	<u>(213)</u>	<u>(47)</u>
	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Profit before tax	<u>613</u>	<u>469</u>
Income tax using the domestic tax rate of 25%	(153)	(117)
Withholding tax	(23)	(4)
Tax loss carry forward not recognized	(18)	(7)
Non-deductible costs	(18)	(19)
Non-taxable income	3	(14)
Effect of tax rates in foreign jurisdictions	16	9
Utilized tax loss not previously recognized	-	59
Deferred tax not previously recognized and other	<u>(20)</u>	<u>46</u>
Total income tax expense	<u>(213)</u>	<u>(47)</u>

The Company is subject to the Corporate Income Tax in the Netherlands and the income tax rate is 25%. The Company's subsidiaries as well as associates are also subject to corporate income tax laws in the respective jurisdictions where the Group operates with corporate income tax rate ranging from 12.50% in Cyprus to 30.00% in Philippines.

Pursuant to local tax legislation and relevant double tax treaties, a withholding tax in the range of 0% to 30% is levied on the dividends, interest, royalties and other relevant payments to foreign recipients.

The Group follows the principle for recognition of deferred tax asset to the extent that it is not considered likely that taxable profits will be available against which the unused tax losses can be utilised, the deferred tax assets are not recognised. Deferred tax loss not previously recognized substantially decreased the effective tax rate of the Group during 2019 as it becomes likely that the Group generates sufficient taxable profits to utilise tax losses from previous periods.

38. Derivative financial instruments

Interest rate derivatives:	Notional amount 31 Dec 2019 MEUR	Positive fair values 31 Dec 2019 MEUR	Negative fair values 31 Dec 2019 MEUR
Interest rate swaps	77	-	-
Cross currency interest rate swaps	119	6	-
Total interest rate derivatives	196	6	-

Interest rate derivatives:	Notional amount 31 Dec 2018 MEUR	Positive fair values 31 Dec 2018 MEUR	Negative fair values 31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Interest rate swaps	216	2	(2)
Interest rate options (purchase)	4	-	-
Cross currency interest rate swaps	97	2	(2)
Total interest rate derivatives	317	4	(4)

Currency derivatives:	Notional amount 31 Dec 2019 MEUR	Positive fair values 31 Dec 2019 MEUR	Negative fair values 31 Dec 2019 MEUR
Forward exchange contracts	407	1	(15)
Currency/Cross currency swaps	1,218	10	(10)
Total currency derivatives	1,625	11	(25)

Currency derivatives:	Notional amount 31 Dec 2018 MEUR	Positive fair values 31 Dec 2018 MEUR	Negative fair values 31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Forward exchange contracts	323	-	(15)
Currency/Cross currency swaps	1,047	8	(2)
Total currency derivatives	1,370	8	(17)

38. Derivative financial instruments (continued)

Hedging derivatives:	Notional amount 31 Dec 2019 MEUR	Positive fair values 31 Dec 2019 MEUR	Negative fair values 31 Dec 2019 MEUR
Forward exchange contracts	(107)	-	(4)
Cross currency interest rate swaps	58	-	(2)
Interest rate swaps	624	13	-
Total hedging derivatives	575	13	(6)

Hedging derivatives:	Notional amount 31 Dec 2018 MEUR	Positive fair values 31 Dec 2018 MEUR	Negative fair values 31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Interest rate swaps	268	9	-
Total hedging derivatives	268	9	-

39. Commitments

The Group has outstanding commitments to extend loans. These commitments take the form of approved credit limits related to customer revolving loan accounts, POS loan facilities and cash loan facilities.

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Revolving loan commitments	1,386	699
POS loan commitments	48	68
Cash loan commitments	29	37
Undrawn overdraft facilities	22	7
Term loans facilities	-	3
	1,485	814

The total outstanding contractual commitments to extend credit indicated above do not necessarily represent future cash requirements as many of these commitments will expire or terminate without being funded.

As at 31 December 2019 the Group reported contractual commitments for the acquisition of property and equipment and intangible assets of MEUR 12 (31 December 2018: MEUR 6).

40. Operating leases

Non-cancellable operating lease rentals are payable as follows:

	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR
Less than one year	42
Between one and five years	128
More than five years	29
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The Group leases a number of premises and equipment under operating leases. Lease payments are usually increased annually to reflect market rentals. None of the leases includes contingent rentals.

During the year ended 31 December 2018 MEUR 13 was recognized as an expense in the statement of comprehensive income in respect of operating leases.

From 1 January 2019, the Group has recognised right-of-use assets for these leases, except for short-term and low-value assets, see Note 3(a) for further information.

41. Contingencies

Taxation

The taxation systems in the Russian Federation, the Republic of India, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, the People's Republic of China and some other countries of operations are relatively new and are characterized by frequent changes in legislation which are subject to varying interpretation by different tax authorities. Taxes are subject to review and investigation by a number of authorities, which have the authority to impose severe fines, penalties and interest charges. A tax year remains open for review by the tax authorities during several subsequent calendar years. Recent events within the Russian Federation, the Republic of India, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, the People's Republic of China and some other countries of operations suggest that the tax authorities are taking a more assertive position in their interpretation and enforcement of tax legislation.

The facts mentioned above may create tax risks in respective countries that are substantially more significant than in other countries. Management believes that it has provided adequately for tax liabilities based on its interpretations of applicable Russian, Indian, Kazakhstani, Vietnamese, Chinese and other countries' tax legislation, official pronouncements and court decisions.

Home Credit and Finance Bank (LLC), HC Consumer Finance Philippines, Inc. and Home Credit International (JSC) are currently under review of tax inspection. The final output is not known yet.

42. Related party transactions

The Group has a related party relationship with its parent company, which is PPF Financial Holdings B.V., with entities exercising control over the parent company, their subsidiaries, the Group's key management personnel and other related parties. Related party transactions are executed on an arm's length basis. Related party transactions arise primarily from funding and treasury transactions as well as from insurance commissions reported under fee and commission income.

(a) Transactions with the parent company and entities exercising control over the parent company

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	(249)	(365)
Subordinated liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>(51)</u>
	<u>(249)</u>	<u>(416)</u>

Amounts included in the statement of comprehensive income in relation to transactions with the parent company and entities exercising control over the parent company are as follows:

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Interest expense	(25)	(17)
Other operating expense	<u>(1)</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>(26)</u>	<u>(17)</u>

42. Related party transactions (continued)

(b) Transactions with fellow subsidiaries

Balances included in the statement of financial position in relation to transactions with fellow subsidiaries are as follows:

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Cash and cash equivalents	120	69
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	22	13
Due from banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	9	14
Loans to customers	34	38
Intangible assets	2	2
Other assets	5	2
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(12)	(15)
Current accounts and deposit from customers	(48)	(9)
Due to banks, other financial institutions and holding companies	(419)	(308)
Debt securities issued	(199)	(196)
Other liabilities	(21)	(3)
Other reserves (AT1)	(2)	-
	<u>(509)</u>	<u>(393)</u>

Amounts included in the statement of comprehensive income in relation to transactions with fellow subsidiaries are as follows:

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Interest income	6	2
Interest expense	(65)	(42)
Fee and commission income	6	-
Fee and commission expense	(1)	(1)
Net gains/ (losses) on financial assets and liabilities	(25)	(22)
Operating income	1	6
Operating expenses	(17)	(15)
	<u>(95)</u>	<u>(72)</u>

42. Related party transactions (continued)

(c) Transactions with key management personnel and other related parties

Amounts included in the statement of comprehensive income in relation to transactions with members of key management are long-term benefits of MEUR nil (the year ended 31 December 2018: MEUR nil) and short-term benefits of MEUR 26 (the year ended 31 December 2018: MEUR 22). These benefits consist of fixed and variable salaries, incentive bonuses, contributions to pension and insurance plans as well as cash-settled share-based payment awards granted by the Group or PPF Group.

The members of the Board of Directors of the Company and key management of its subsidiaries (members of Executive Committee of the Group and Executive Committees of individual countries) are considered as the key management of the Group.

The Group paid for consultancy and management services under a consultancy service agreement that was in May 2018 assigned to Home Credit Group B.V. from its subsidiary Home Credit N.V. The agreement was concluded in 2013 between Home Credit N.V. and an entity controlled by one of the members of Company's Board of Directors. The original contract was terminated in June 2019 and new contract was concluded. Consultancy fees charged by the Group over the year ended 31 December 2019 in relation to this agreement amounted to MEUR 6 (the year ended 31 December 2018: MEUR 7). Other expenses incurred on behalf of this related party were MEUR 7 (the year ended 31 December 2018: MEUR 4). All these amounts are recorded under other operating expenses, while the related liability of MEUR nil as at 31 December 2019 (31 December 2018: MEUR 1) is reported under other liabilities.

As at 31 December 2019 the balances due from holding companies included secured loans of MEUR 39 (31 December 2018: MEUR 74) provided by the Group to a company controlled by one of the members of its Board of Directors. The weighted average interest rate is 5.74% (31 December 2018: 5.74%) and the repayment date of those loans is 30 June 2024.

43. Workforce

For the year ended 31 December 2019 the average number of the Group's employees was 123,888 (the year ended 31 December 2018: 136,483 employees), of which ten employees were employed in the Netherlands (the year ended 31 December 2018: one employee).

44. Subsequent events

Subsidiary HC Advisory Services s.r.o. was split into Rixo s.r.o. and HC ITS s.r.o. effectively from 1 January 2020.

Mr. Jean-Pascal Duvieusart was appointed as Group Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of its 100% subsidiary Home Credit N.V. with effect as of 6 January 2020. Mr. Jean-Pascal Duvieusart succeeds former CEO Mr. Ondřej Frydrych.

In February, the Group announced to wind down the operations of the Velvon GmbH in Germany as a result of Group's renewed strategic focus on building long-standing relationships with customers in its core, high-growth markets.

Since early January 2020, the coronavirus outbreak has spread across mainland China and beyond, causing disruption to business and economic activity. The ECL at 31 December 2019 was estimated based on a range of forecast economic conditions as at that date. Group is closely monitoring changing market and environment and reacts accordingly, all key indicators and actual market situation will be considered when determining ECL estimate under IFRS 9 in 2020.

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	Note	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	6	1
Time deposits with banks	6	12	11
Loans provided	7	121	471
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	8	6	2
Investments in subsidiaries and associates	9	3,258	2,349
Other assets	10	2	2
Total assets		3,405	2,836
LIABILITIES			
Debt securities issued	11	139	94
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	12	1	2
Loans received and other liabilities	13	1,186	1,086
Provisions		1	3
Total liabilities		1,327	1,185
EQUITY			
Share capital	14	1,000	1,000
Share premium	14	628	628
Other reserves	14	450	23
Total equity		2,078	1,651
Total liabilities and equity		3,405	2,836

Home Credit Group B.V.
Company Statement of Comprehensive Income
for the year ended 31 December 2019

	Note	2019 MEUR	2018 MEUR
<i>Continuing operations:</i>			
Interest income	16	6	7
Interest expense	16	(64)	(14)
Net interest expense		(58)	(7)
Dividend income	17	525	38
Fee income	18	7	4
Net foreign exchange result		4	1
Operating income		478	36
Impairment reversals/(losses)	19	(39)	(4)
Other operating expenses	20	(12)	(9)
Operating expenses		(51)	(13)
(Loss)/profit before tax		427	23
Income tax expense	21	-	-
Net (loss)/profit for the period		427	23
Other comprehensive income for the period		-	-
Total comprehensive (expense)/income for the period		427	23

*Home Credit Group B.V.
Company Statement of Changes in Equity
for the year ended 31 December 2019*

	Share capital MEUR	Share premium MEUR	Other reserves MEUR	Total equity MEUR
Balance as at 1 January 2019	1,000	628	23	1,651
Total	1,000	628	23	1,651
Profit/(loss) for the period	-	-	427	427
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	427	427
Total changes	-	-	427	427
Balance as at 31 December 2019	1,000	628	450	2,078

	Share capital MEUR	Share premium MEUR	Other reserves MEUR	Total equity MEUR
Balance as at 1 January 2018	7	-	-	7
Capital increase	993	628	-	1,621
Total	1,000	628	-	1,628
Profit/(loss) for the period	-	-	23	23
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	23	23
Total changes	993	628	23	1,644
Balance as at 31 December 2018	1,000	628	23	1,651

Home Credit Group B.V.
Company Statement of Cash Flows
for the year ended 31 December 2019

	Note	2019 MEUR	2018 MEUR
Operating activities			
Profit/(loss) before tax		427	23
Adjustments for:			
Interest income and expense	16	58	7
Dividend income	17	(525)	(38)
Impairment losses	19	39	4
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Net operating cash flow before changes in working capital		(1)	(4)
Change in time deposits with banks		(1)	(11)
Change in loans provided		344	(439)
Change in other assets		(4)	(4)
Change in other liabilities and provisions		(3)	5
Effects of foreign currency translation on items other than cash and cash equivalents		4	-
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Cash flows from/(used in) the operations		339	(453)
Interest paid		(49)	(8)
Interest received		13	-
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Cash flows used in operating activities		303	(461)
Investing activities			
Investments into subsidiaries and associates		(950)	30
Dividends received		525	38
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Cash flows used in investing activities		(425)	68
Financing activities			
Proceeds from the issue of debt securities		42	-
Proceeds from due to banks and other financial institutions		1,130	434
Repayments of due to banks and other financial institutions		(1,045)	(47)
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Cash flows from financing activities		127	387
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		5	(6)
Cash and cash equivalents as at 1 January	5	1	7
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Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	5	6	1
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1. Description of the Company

Principal activities

The Company is a direct owner of consumer finance companies (“the Group”) operating in the Central Europe, CIS, Asia and the United States of America. The principal activities of the Company are holding of equity stakes in these companies and financing these companies both from the market and from the parent company and related parties.

For further description of the Company see Note 1 of Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2019.

2. Basis of preparation

The financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019 have been prepared on an unconsolidated basis. Subsidiaries are presented on a cost-less-impairment basis.

The basis of preparation is as described in Note 2 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2019.

Presentation and functional currency

These financial statements are presented in Euro (EUR), which is the Company’s functional currency and reporting currency. Financial information presented in EUR has been rounded to the nearest million (MEUR).

3. Significant accounting policies

(a) Changes in accounting policies from 1 January 2019

The Company has adopted IFRS 16 *Leases* from 1 January 2019 but it does not have a material effect on the Company Financial Statements.

(b) Investments in subsidiaries

The Company initially recognises its investments in subsidiaries at cost. Subsequently they are measured at cost less impairment losses.

(c) Other accounting policies

Other significant accounting policies are as described in Note 3 of Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2019.

4. Financial risk management

The Company has exposure to the following risks from its use of financial instruments:

- credit risk
- liquidity risk
- market risks
- operational risks

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Company's risk management framework. The Board has established the Group Asset and Liability Committee (ALCO) and the Group Risk Department, which are responsible for developing and monitoring risk management policies in their specified areas. Both bodies report regularly to the Board of Directors on their activities.

The Company's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Company, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions, products and services offered. The Company, through its training and management standards and procedures, aims to develop a disciplined and constructive control environment.

(a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss occurring as a result of default by a borrower or counterparty on their obligation. The majority of the Company's exposure to credit risk arises in connection with guarantees issued and with the provision of loans to related parties. The remaining part of the Company's exposures to credit risk is related to investments in debt securities, deposits with banks, loans provided and certain other assets. The loans provided by the Company to controlling entities and to subsidiaries are unsecured, other loans provided are secured.

The carrying amount of financial assets represents the maximum credit exposure.

The Company limits its exposure to credit risk by providing loans and guarantees only to related parties, investing in debt securities issued by related parties and placing funds with reputable financial institutions.

(b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations from its financial liabilities.

The Company's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Company's reputation. The liquidity position is continuously monitored. All liquidity policies and procedures as well as liquidity position projections are subject to review and approval by the Group ALCO.

The Company's liquidity position as at 31 December 2019 shows liquidity gaps, which the Company will face in 2019. The Company plans refinancing the maturing loans through a diverse funding base to which the Company has access. The Company raises funds both on the market and through related parties. The shareholder's support enhances funding flexibility, limits dependence on any one source of funds and generally lowers the cost of funds.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

Exposure to liquidity risk

The following table shows financial assets and liabilities by remaining contractual maturity dates. The table does not include prospective cash flows related to loan commitments. Refer to Note 22 for outstanding loan commitments that may impact liquidity requirements.

31 December 2019					
MEUR	Less than 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	6	-	-	-	6
Time deposits with banks	-	-	8	4	12
Loans provided	-	73	48	-	121
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	5	1	-	6
Total financial assets	6	78	57	4	145
Debt securities issued	80	38	21	-	139
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	1	-	-	-	1
Loans received and other financial liabilities	111	263	812	-	1,186
Total financial liabilities	192	301	833	-	1,326
Net position	(186)	(223)	(776)	4	(1,181)

31 December 2018					
MEUR	Less than 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	1	-	-	-	1
Time deposits with banks	-	11	-	-	11
Loans provided	354	39	78	-	471
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	-	2	-	2
Other financial assets	2	-	-	-	2
Total financial assets	357	50	80	-	487
Debt securities issued	-	-	94	-	94
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	-	2	-	-	2
Loans received and other financial liabilities	370	662	54	-	1,086
Total financial liabilities	370	664	148	-	1,182
Net position	(13)	(614)	(68)	-	(695)

4. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates or foreign exchange rates will affect the Company's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters.

The majority of the Company's exposure to market risk arises in connection with the funding of the Company's operations with liabilities denominated in foreign currencies, and to the extent the term structure of interest bearing assets differs from that of liabilities.

Exposure to foreign currency risk

The Company has assets and liabilities denominated in several foreign currencies. Foreign currency risk arises when the actual or forecast assets in a foreign currency are either greater or less than the liabilities in that currency. Foreign currency risk is managed principally through monitoring foreign currency mismatches in the structure of assets and liabilities and using foreign currency derivatives. The Group ALCO is the monitoring body for this risk.

There are no significant open foreign currency positions as of 31 December 2019.

Exposure to interest rate risk

The Company is exposed the risk of loss from fluctuations in the future cash flows or fair values of financial instruments because of a change in market interest rates. Interest rate risk is managed principally through monitoring interest rate gaps and by having pre-approved Group-wide limits for re-pricing bands. Given the structure of the Company's statement of comprehensive income with the main source of income being dividends received, which are, on a full year basis, considerably more significant than interest expenses, the Company is able to tolerate significant interest rate gaps. The Group ALCO is the monitoring body for compliance with these limits.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

Interest rate gap position

The following tables present interest bearing assets and liabilities by interest rate re-pricing periods.

31 December 2019						
MEUR	Effective interest rate	Less than 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
Interest bearing financial assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	0.0%	6	-	-	-	6
Time deposits with banks	(0.4)%	8	-	-	4	12
Loans provided	5.2%	9	110	2	-	121
Total interest bearing financial assets		23	110	2	4	139
Interest bearing financial liabilities						
Debt securities issued	4.3%	80	38	21	-	139
Loans received and other liabilities	4.5%	923	263	-	-	1,186
Total interest bearing financial liabilities		1,003	301	21	-	1,325
Net position		(980)	(191)	(19)	4	(1,186)

31 December 2018						
MEUR	Effective interest rate	Less than 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
Interest bearing financial assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	0.0%	1	-	-	-	1
Time deposits with banks	(0.3)%	11	-	-	-	11
Loans provided	6.9%	405	45	21	-	471
Total interest bearing financial assets		417	45	21	-	483
Interest bearing financial liabilities						
Debt securities issued	3.8%	1	-	93	-	94
Loans received and other liabilities	5.4%	1,018	13	55	-	1,086
Total interest bearing financial liabilities		1,019	13	148	-	1,180
Net position		(602)	32	(127)	-	(697)

4. Financial risk management (continued)

(d) Operational risk

Operational risk is the risk of direct or indirect loss arising from a wide variety of causes associated with the Company's processes, technology and infrastructure, and from external factors other than credit, market and liquidity risks such as those arising from legal and regulatory requirements and generally accepted standards of corporate behaviour.

The Company's objective is to manage operational risk so as to balance the avoidance of financial losses and damage to the Company's reputation with overall cost effectiveness and to avoid control procedures that restrict initiative and creativity.

The primary responsibility for the development and implementation of controls to address operational risk is assigned to senior management of the Company. This responsibility is supported by the development of standards for the management of operational risk in the following areas:

- Requirements for appropriate segregation of duties, including the independent authorization of transactions;
- Requirements for the reconciliation and monitoring of transactions;
- Compliance with regulatory and other legal requirements;
- Documentation of controls and procedures;
- Requirements for the periodic assessment of operational risks faced and the adequacy of controls and procedures to address the risks identified;
- Requirements for the reporting of operational losses and proposed remedial action;
- Development of contingency plans;
- Training and professional development;
- Ethical and business standards;
- Risk mitigation, including insurance where this is effective.

(e) Capital management

The Company considers share capital, share premium and capital reserves as a part of the capital. The Company's policy is to maintain the capital base adequate to its investments in subsidiaries so as to maintain investor, creditor and market confidence, sustain future development of the business and meet the capital requirements related to its funding operations. There are no regulatory capital requirements for the Company.

4. Financial risk management (continued)

(f) Fair values of financial instruments

The Company has performed an assessment of fair values of its financial instruments, as required by IFRS 7, to determine whether it is practicable within the constraints of timeliness and cost to determine their fair values with sufficient reliability.

Fair values of the following financial instruments differ from their carrying amounts shown in the statement of financial position:

	Note	Carrying amount 31 Dec 2019 MEUR	Fair value 31 Dec 2019 MEUR	Carrying amount 31 Dec 2018 MEUR	Fair value 31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Debt securities issued	11	139	138	94	97

The following table shows an analysis of financial instruments recorded at fair value, between those whose fair value is based on quoted market prices (Level 1) or calculated using valuation techniques where all the model inputs are observable in the market (Level 2) or calculated using valuation techniques where significant model inputs are not observable in the market (Level 3):

	Level 1 MEUR	Level 2 MEUR	Level 3 MEUR	Total MEUR
31 December 2019				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	6	-	6
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	-	(1)	-	(1)
	-	5	-	5
31 December 2018				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	2	-	2
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	-	(2)	-	(2)
	-	-	-	-

There were no transfers between Level 1, 2 and 3 in the year ended 31 December 2019 nor in the year ended 31 December 2018.

5. Cash and cash equivalents

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Current accounts with related parties	6	1
	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>

6. Time deposits with banks

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Cash collateral for syndicated loan interest payments	8	7
Cash collateral for foreign exchange derivative contracts	4	4
	<u>12</u>	<u>11</u>

7. Loans provided

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Loans to subsidiaries	80	429
Other loans provided	41	43
Impairment to loans provided	-	(1)
	<u>121</u>	<u>471</u>

8. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss represent positive fair value of trading derivative instruments.

9. Investments in subsidiaries and associates

Subsidiary / associate	Country of incorporation	Share in issued capital		Net cost of investment	
		31 Dec 2019 %	31 Dec 2018 %	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Redlione (LLC) ¹⁾	Cyprus	100.00	-	-	-
Astavedo Limited ¹⁾	Cyprus	100.00	-	-	-
Enadoco Limited	Cyprus	100.00	-	-	-
Rhaskos Finance Limited ¹⁾	Cyprus	100.00	-	-	-
Septus Holding Limited ¹⁾	Cyprus	100.00	-	-	-
Sylander Capital Limited ¹⁾	Cyprus	100.00	-	-	-
Talpa Estero Limited ¹⁾	Cyprus	100.00	-	-	-
ABDE Holding s.r.o.	Czech Republic	100.00	100.00	1	6
Benxy (LLC) / Zonky (LLC) ²⁾	Czech Republic	100.00	-	33	-
HC Advisory Services (LLC)	Czech Republic	100.00	-	6	-
AB-X Project GmBG (formerly Blitz 19-68 GmBH)	Germany	100.00	-	20	-
Saint World Limited	Hong Kong	100.00	-	-	-
Home Credit N.V.	Netherlands	100.00	100.00	3,151	2,343
Home Credit US Holding (LLC)	USA	100.00	-	23	-
Barion Payment Zrt.	Hungary	20.00	-	2	-
Eureka Analytics Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	24.50	-	8	-
Nymbus	USA	13.92	-	14	-
				3,258	2,349

¹⁾ Subsidiary is under liquidation since 4Q 2019.

²⁾ Zonky (LLC) was renamed to Benxy (LLC) in 2019.

31 December 2019	Cost of investment MEUR	Impairment MEUR	Carrying amount MEUR
Balance as at 1 January	2,349	-	2,349
Investments	950	-	950
Divestments	-	-	-
Impairment changes	-	(41)	(41)
Balance as at 31 December	3,299	(41)	3,258

9. Investments in subsidiaries and associates (continued)

31 December 2018	Cost of investment MEUR	Impairment MEUR	Carrying amount MEUR
Balance as at 1 January	-	-	-
Investments	2,349	-	2,349
Balance as at 31 December	2,349	-	2,349

10. Other assets

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Trade receivables	1	1
Estimated receivables	1	1
	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

11. Debt securities issued

	Interest rate	Final maturity	Amount outstanding	
			31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Unsecured CZK bond issue of MCZK 1,998	3.75%	March 2020	79	78
CZK promissory note issue of MCZK 207	Zero-coupon	April 2020	8	8
EUR promissory note issue of MEUR 7.96	Zero-coupon	April 2020	8	8
USD promissory note issue of MUSD 15	Zero-coupon	September 2020	14	-
USD promissory note issue of MUSD 10	Zero-coupon	October 2020	9	-
CZK promissory note issued of MCZK 560	Zero-coupon	May 2021	21	-
			<u>139</u>	<u>94</u>

All the bonds and promissory notes issued are unsecured.

12. Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss represent negative fair value of trading derivative instruments.

13. Loans received and other liabilities

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Loans received	1,185	1,083
Settlement with suppliers	1	2
Other accounts payable	-	1
	<u>1,186</u>	<u>1,086</u>

Loans received

	Interest Rate	Currency	Maturity	Amount outstanding	
				31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Syndicated loan	Variable	EUR	June 2019	-	651
Syndicated loan	Variable	EUR	May 2022	814	-
Loan from parent company	Variable	EUR	June 2020	249	364
Loan from subsidiary	Fixed	RUB	December 2019	-	13
Loan from subsidiary	Fixed	RUB	February 2020	14	-
Loan from subsidiary	Fixed	RUB	March 2020	22	-
Loan from subsidiary	Fixed	EUR	March 2020	55	-
Loan from subsidiary	Fixed	RUB	November 2021	-	25
Loan from other related party	Fixed	CZK	January 2020	31	30
				<u>1,185</u>	<u>1,083</u>

All loans are unsecured. There were no breaches of loan covenants in the year ended 31 December 2019 nor the year ended 31 December 2018.

14. Equity

Share capital

Home Credit Group B.V. (hereafter “the Group”) was established on 20 September 2017.

As of 31 December 2019 Company’s share capital comprised 175,438,596,491 ordinary shares at a par value of EUR 0.0057, of which all 175,438,596,491 shares were issued and fully paid. All issued shares bear equal voting rights. The holders of the shares are entitled to receive distributions of profits and reserves when declared by the general meeting of the Company. No distributions can be made if the total amount of the reserves to be maintained pursuant to the law or the articles of association exceeds the Company’s equity and the management board has not given its approval to such distribution.

14. Equity (continued)

The difference between the Company's equity and consolidated equity results from the fact that the Company presents its investments in subsidiaries at cost. In consolidated financial statements the subsidiaries are consolidated and their cumulative result is added to the consolidated equity. The Company's net result for 2019 is higher than the consolidated result by MEUR 27 (2018: lower by MEUR 399).

The reconciliation of equity as per these unconsolidated financial statements and consolidated financial statements is shown below.

	Share capital MEUR	Share premium MEUR	Statutory reserve fund MEUR	Foreign currency translatio n MEUR	Revaluation reserve MEUR	Hedging reserve MEUR	Reserve for business combinations under common control MEUR	Other reserves MEUR	Total equity attributable to equity holders of the Company MEUR
Individual balance as at 31 December 2019	1,000	628	-	-	-	-	-	450	2,078
Adjustment for:									
Impairment of subsidiaries, current period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41	41
Impairment of subsidiaries, prior years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dividend income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(525)	(525)
Net result of subsidiaries in 2019	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	498	498
Reserves related to subsidiaries	-	-	144	(658)	1	(2)	(153)	1,420	752
Consolidated balance as at 31 December 2019	1,000	628	144	(658)	1	(2)	(153)	1,884	2,844

14. Equity (continued)

	Share capital MEUR	Share premium MEUR	Statutory reserve fund MEUR	Foreign currency translation MEUR	Revaluation reserve MEUR	Reserve for business combinations under common control MEUR	Other reserves MEUR	Total equity attributable to equity holders of the Company MEUR
Individual balance as at 31 December 2018	1,000	628	-	-	-	-	23	1,651
Adjustment for:								
Impairment of subsidiaries, current period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment of subsidiaries, prior years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dividend income	-	-	-	-	-	-	(38)	(38)
Net result of subsidiaries in 2018	-	-	-	-	-	-	457	457
Reserves related to subsidiaries	-	-	114	(770)	-	(153)	876	67
Consolidated balance as at 31 December 2018	1,000	628	114	(770)	-	(153)	1,318	2,137

15. Reconciliation of movements of liabilities to cash flows arising from financing activities

	Debt securities issued MEUR	Liabilities		Equity		Total MEUR
		FL at FVTPL MEUR	Loans received MEUR	Share capital MEUR	Share premium MEUR	
Balance as at 1 January 2019	94	2	1,083	1,000	628	2,807
<u>Changes from financing cash flows</u>						
Proceeds from the issue of debt securities	42	-	-	-	-	42
Proceeds from due to banks and other counterparties	-	-	1,130	-	-	1,130
Repayment of due to banks and other counterparties	-	-	(1,045)	-	-	(1,045)
Total changes from financing cash flows	42	-	85	-	-	127
<u>Other changes</u>						
Interest expense	5	-	59	-	-	64
Interest paid	(2)	-	(49)	-	-	(51)
Change in Other liabilities	-	-	(3)	-	-	(3)
Effect of changes in FX rates	-	(1)	10	-	-	9
Total Other changes	3	(1)	17	-	-	19
Balance as at 31 December 2019	139	1	1,185	1,000	628	2,953

15. Reconciliation of movements of liabilities to cash flows arising from financing activities (continued)

	Liabilities			Equity		Total
	Debt securities issued	FL at FVTPL	Loans received	Share capital	Share premium	
	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	MEUR	
Balance as at 1 January 2018	-	-	-	7	-	7
<u>Changes from financing cash flows</u>						
Proceeds from due to banks and other counterparties	-	-	434	-	-	434
Repayment of due to banks and other counterparties	-	-	(47)	-	-	(47)
Total changes from financing cash flows	-	-	387	-	-	387
<u>Other changes</u>						
Interest expense	1	-	13	-	-	14
Interest paid	-	-	(8)	-	-	(8)
Increase due to contribution of Home Credit B.V. into Home Credit Group B.V.	-	-	-	993	628	1,621
Transfer of assets and liabilities from Home Credit B.V.	93	-	691	-	-	784
Effect of changes in FX rates	-	2	-	-	-	2
Total Other changes	94	2	696	993	628	2,413
Balance as at 31 December 2018	94	2	1,083	1,000	628	2,807

16. Interest income and interest expense

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Interest income		
Subsidiaries	4	6
Other	2	1
	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>
Interest expense		
Loans received	59	13
Debt securities issued	5	1
	<u>64</u>	<u>14</u>

17. Dividend income

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Subsidiary		
Home Credit N.V.	525	38
	<u>525</u>	<u>38</u>

18. Fee income

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Guarantee fees	4	1
Fees for services provided	3	3
	<u>7</u>	<u>4</u>

19. Impairment reversals/(losses)

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Investments	41	-
Loans	-	1
Guarantees issued	(1)	2
Undrawn credit limit	(1)	1
	<u>39</u>	<u>4</u>

20. Other operating expenses

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Professional services	9	7
Travel expenses	2	2
Other	1	-
	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>

21. Taxation

As at 31 December 2019 the Company incurred accumulated tax losses of MEUR 15 (31 December 2018: MEUR 10) available to be carried forward and off-set against future taxable income. The unutilized tax losses expire in 2026.

There is no expectation of sufficient taxable income, as dividends received are tax exempt in the Netherlands. Therefore, no income tax is accounted for in the profit and loss account apart from withholding taxes, and no deferred tax asset is recorded. The amount of unrecognized deferred tax asset as at 31 December 2019 is MEUR 4 (31 December 2018: MEUR 3).

Year of expiration	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
2025	5	-
2026	10	10
Total	<u>15</u>	<u>10</u>

Reconciliation of effective tax rate	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Profit/(loss) before tax	<u>427</u>	<u>23</u>
Income tax using the domestic tax rate of 25%	107	6
Non-deductible impairment	10	-
Non-deductible costs	1	-
Withholding tax	-	-
Non-taxable income	(132)	(9)
Tax losses not recognized	1	3
Other	13	-
Total income tax expense	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

22. Commitments and guarantees

As at 31 December 2019 the Company had outstanding commitments to extend credit of MEUR 4 (31 December 2018: MEUR 70).

As at 31 December 2019 the Company had outstanding guarantees of MEUR 353 (31 December 2018: MEUR 343) issued by the Company in favour of financing entities for loans drawn by subsidiaries.

23. Related party transactions

The Company has a related party relationship with its parent company PPF Financial Holdings B.V., with entities exercising control over the parent company, their subsidiaries, the Company's key management personnel and other related parties. Related party transactions are executed on an arm's length basis. Related party transactions arise primarily from funding and treasury transactions.

(a) Transactions with the parent company and entities exercising control over the parent company

Balances included in the statement of financial position in relation to transactions with the parent company and entities exercising control over the parent company are as follows:

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Loans received and other liabilities	(249)	(365)
	<u>(249)</u>	<u>(365)</u>

Amounts included in the statement of comprehensive income in relation to transactions with the parent company and entities exercising control over the parent company are as follows:

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Interest expense	(23)	(6)
	<u>(23)</u>	<u>(6)</u>

(b) Transactions with subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries

Balances included in the statement of financial position in relation to transactions with subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries are as follows:

	31 Dec 2019 MEUR	31 Dec 2018 MEUR
Cash and cash equivalents	6	1
Time deposits with banks	4	4
Loans provided	82	433
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6	2
Other assets	1	2
Debt securities issued	(59)	(15)
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(1)	(2)
Loans received and other liabilities	(144)	(69)
	<u>(105)</u>	<u>356</u>

23. Related party transactions (continued)

Amounts included in the statement of comprehensive income in relation to transactions with fellow subsidiaries are as follows:

	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	MEUR	MEUR
Interest income	4	7
Interest expense	(7)	(1)
Dividend income	525	38
Fee income	7	4
Net foreign exchange result	11	(1)
Other operating expenses	(2)	(1)
	538	46

(c) Transactions with other related parties

There were no transactions with other related parties both as at 31 December 2019 and 31 December 2018.

(d) Transactions with key management personnel

The members of the Board of Directors of the Company are considered to be the Company's key management.

The Company paid for consultancy and management services under a consultancy service agreement that was in May 2018 assigned to the Company from its subsidiary Home Credit N.V. The agreement was concluded in 2013 between Home Credit N.V. and an entity controlled by one of the members of Company's Board of Directors. The original contract was terminated in June 2019 and new contract was concluded. Consultancy fees incurred by the Company in the year ended 31 December 2019 in relation to these agreements amounted to MEUR 6 (the year ended 31 December 2018: MEUR 5). Other expenses incurred on behalf of this related party in the year ended 31 December 2019 were MEUR 2 (the year ended 31 December 2018: MEUR 2). All these amounts are recorded under other operating expenses, while the related liability of MEUR nil as at 31 December 2019 (31 December 2018: MEUR 1) is reported under other liabilities.

As at 31 December 2019 the balances due from holding companies included secured loans of MEUR 39 (31 December 2018: MEUR 39) provided by the Group to a company controlled by one of the members of its Board of Directors. The weighted average interest rate is 5.74% (31 December 2018: 5.74%) and the repayment date of those loans is 30 June 2024.

24. Audit expenses

The Company and its subsidiaries incurred expenses for the following services provided by KPMG Accountants N.V. and its affiliates:

31 December 2019	KPMG Accountants N.V. TEUR	Other KPMG network TEUR	Total TEUR
Audit of financial statements	212	1,934	2,146
Other audit engagements	6,788	852	7,640
Tax advisory	-	750	750
Other non-audit services	-	2,176	2,176
Total	7,000	5,712	12,712

31 December 2018	KPMG Accountants N.V. TEUR	Other KPMG network TEUR	Total TEUR
Audit of financial statements	61	1,377	1,438
Other audit engagements	22	359	381
Tax advisory	3	430	433
Other non-audit services	-	97	97
Total	86	2,263	2,349

The other audit engagements represent half-year review of financial statements and agreed upon procedures engagements regarding Group companies' financial information.

25. Segment information

The Company represents one reportable segment that has central management and follows a common business strategy. All the revenues are attributed to the Company's country of domicile.

26. Subsequent events

Subsidiary HC Advisory Services s.r.o. was split into Rixo s.r.o. and HC ITS s.r.o. effectively from 1 January 2020.

Mr. Jean-Pascal Duvieusart was appointed as Group Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of its 100% subsidiary Home Credit N.V. with effect as of 6 January 2020. Mr. Jean-Pascal Duvieusart succeeds former CEO Mr. Ondřej Frydrych.

In February, the Group announced to wind down the operations of the Velvon GmbH in Germany as a result of Group's renewed strategic focus on building long-standing relationships with customers in its core, high-growth markets.

Since early January 2020, the coronavirus outbreak has spread across mainland China and beyond, causing disruption to business and economic activity. The ECL at 31 December 2019 was estimated based on a range of forecast economic conditions as at that date. Group is closely monitoring changing market and environment and reacts accordingly, all key indicators and actual market situation will be considered when determining ECL estimate under IFRS 9 in 2020.

The Consolidated Financial Statements as set out on pages 12 to 104 and the Company Financial Statements as set out on pages 105 to 130 were approved by the Board of Directors on 12 March 2020.

Board of Directors:	
Jiří Šmejč	Rudolf Bosveld
<i>Chairman of the Board of Directors</i>	<i>Member of the Board of Directors</i>
Mel Gerard Carvill	Jean-Pascal Duvieusart
<i>Member of the Board of Directors</i>	<i>Member of the Board of Directors</i>
Jan Cornelis Jansen	Paulus Aloysius de Reijke
<i>Member of the Board of Directors</i>	<i>Member of the Board of Directors</i>
Marcel Marinus van Santen	
<i>Member of the Board of Directors</i>	

Other information

Certain information required by Article 392 the Civil Code of the Netherlands, to the extent it is applicable to the Company or the Group, as well as the Auditor's Report is included in this part of the Consolidated Annual Accounts.

1. Provisions in the Articles of Association governing the appropriation of profit

The general meeting is authorised to appropriate the profits that follow from the adoption of the annual accounts or to determine how a deficit will be accounted for, as well as to resolve upon distributions, provided that the Company's equity exceeds the total amount of the reserves to be maintained pursuant to the law or the articles of association. A resolution on any distribution has no consequences if the management board has not given its approval to such distribution (Articles of Association of the Company, Article 21).

2. Subsidiaries

Refer to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Note 1.

3. Auditor's report

The auditor's report with respect to the Annual Report is set out on the next pages.



Independent auditor's report

To: the General Meeting of Shareholders and the Board of Directors of Home Credit Group B.V.

Report on the audit of the financial statements 2019 included in the annual accounts

Our opinion

In our opinion the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of Home Credit Group B.V. as at 31 December 2019 and of its result and its cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union (EU-IFRS) and with Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

What we have audited

We have audited the financial statements 2019 of Home Credit Group B.V. (the 'Company' or the 'Group') based in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

The financial statements comprise:

- 1 the consolidated and company statement of financial position as at 31 December 2019;
- 2 the following consolidated and company statements for 2019: statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows; and
- 3 the notes comprising a summary of the significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Basis for our opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Dutch law, including the Dutch Standards on Auditing. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report.

We are independent of Home Credit Group B.V. in accordance with the 'Verordening inzake de onafhankelijkheid van accountants bij assurance-opdrachten' (ViO, Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, a regulation with respect to independence) and other relevant independence regulations in the Netherlands. Furthermore, we have complied with the 'Verordening gedrags- en beroepsregels accountants' (VGBA, Dutch Code of Ethics).

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



Audit approach

Summary

Materiality

- Group materiality of EUR 34.4 million
- Based on net assets (1.25%)
- The Company materiality of EUR 17.0 million
- Based on total assets (0.5%)

Group audit

- 99% of total assets
- 99% of revenue
- 91% of profit before tax

Key audit matters

- Valuation of loan portfolio in line with IFRS 9

Opinion

Unqualified

Materiality

Based on our professional judgment we determined the materiality for the consolidated financial statements as a whole at EUR 34.4 million (2018: EUR 55.0 million) and for the company financial statements as a whole at EUR 17.0 million (2018: EUR 14.0 million).

The materiality for the consolidated financial statements is determined with reference to net assets (1.25%). We consider net assets as the most appropriate benchmark based on our assessment of the general information needs of users of the consolidated financial statements and given the fact that the benchmark is a key metric applied in the (regulated) banking industry.

The materiality for the company financial statements is determined with reference to total assets (0.5%). We consider total asset as the most appropriate benchmark based on the nature of the business of the Company as holding company without operational activities.

We have also taken into account misstatements and/or possible misstatements that in our opinion are material for the users of the consolidated and company financial statements for qualitative reasons.



We agreed with the Board of Directors that misstatements in excess of EUR 1.7 million and EUR 0.85 million which are identified during the audit of the consolidated and company financial statements respectively, would be reported to them, as well as smaller misstatements that in our view must be reported on qualitative grounds.

Scope of the group audit

Home Credit Group B.V. is at the head of a group of components. The financial information of this group is included in the consolidated financial statements of Home Credit Group B.V.

Because we are ultimately responsible for the audit opinion, we are responsible for directing, supervising and performing the group audit. In this respect, we have determined the nature and extent of the audit procedures to be carried out for group entities (or 'components').

Our group audit mainly focused on significant components. These significant components are either individually financially significant due to their relative size within the Group or because we assigned a significant risk of material misstatement to one or more account balances of the component. In addition, we included certain components in the scope of our group audit in order to arrive at a sufficient coverage over all relevant significant account balances.

This resulted in a full scope audit for 16 components with a total coverage of 99% of revenue, 99% of total assets and 91% of profit before tax. For the remaining population procedures were performed at the group level including analytical procedures in order to corroborate our assessment that the risk in the residual population is remote. This coverage is in line with our 2018 audit.

We sent audit instructions to all component auditors, covering significant areas including the relevant risks of material misstatement and set out the information required to be reported to the group audit team. All components in scope for group reporting purposes are audited by KPMG member firms.

The group audit team has set component materiality levels ranging from EUR 3.6 million to EUR 28.5 million, based on the mix of size and risk profile of the components within the Group. The consolidation of the Group, the disclosures in the financial statements and certain accounting topics that are dealt with at group level are audited by the group audit team. The accounting matters on which audit procedures are performed by the group audit team include, but are not limited to, the assessment of the use of the going concern assumption, centralised testing of models used to calculate expected credit losses and equity.

We visited locations in Czech Republic and Russia where we discussed the audit work performed with the component audit teams. For other components we performed remote reviews. With all component auditors we held conference calls and/or physical meetings. During these visits, meetings and calls we discussed in more detail the planning and the risk assessment phase and the procedures performed including the findings and observations. Based on these meetings and calls we as group auditor assessed the sufficiency of the audit procedures performed.



As a result of the recent Coronavirus outbreak we had to cancel the original plan to visit the location in China. In response, we have increased the frequency and level of detail of communication with group management, and local management and component auditors in China. We have requested and obtained from our component auditor more detailed reporting as an alternative measure for the cancelled site visit. Furthermore, the Company included enhanced disclosure on the impact of the Coronavirus outbreak in the director's report and the subsequent event disclosure in the notes to the financial statements.

By performing the procedures mentioned above at group components, together with additional procedures at group level, we have been able to obtain sufficient and appropriate audit evidence about the group's financial information to provide an opinion about the financial statements.

The audit coverage as stated in the section summary is as follows:

Total assets

99%

Full scope audit

Revenue

99%

Full scope audit

Profit Before Tax

91%

Full scope audit

Audit scope in relation to fraud

In accordance with the Dutch standards on auditing we are responsible for obtaining a high (but not absolute) level of assurance that the financial statements taken as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error.

As part of our risk assessment process we have evaluated events or conditions that indicate an incentive or pressure to commit fraud or provide an opportunity to commit fraud ('fraud risk factors') to determine whether fraud risks are relevant to our audit. During this risk assessment we made use of our own forensic specialist.

We communicated identified fraud risks throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of fraud throughout the audit. This included communication from the group to component audit teams of relevant fraud risks identified at group level.

In accordance with the auditing standard, we evaluated the fraud risk. The presumed fraud risk on the revenue recognition was not considered a significant risk to our audit. The other fraud risks that are relevant to our audit, are:

- fraud risk in relation to management override of controls (a presumed risk); and
- fraud risk in relation to management override of Expected Credit Loss provision results.

Our audit procedures included an evaluation of the design, implementation as well as the operating effectiveness of internal controls relevant to mitigate these risks and substantive audit procedures, including detailed testing of high risk journal entries and evaluation of management bias.



We communicated our risk assessment and audit response to management and the Audit Committee of the Supervisory Board. Our audit procedures differ from a specific forensic fraud investigation, which investigation often has a more in-depth character.

Our procedures to address fraud risks did not result in a key audit matter. However, the procedures to address the significant risk described in the key audit matter related to 'Valuation of loan portfolio in line with IFRS 9' also address the fraud risk in relation to management override of Expected Credit Loss provision results.

We do note that our audit is based on the procedures described in line with applicable auditing standards and are not primarily designed to detect fraud.

Audit scope in relation to non-compliance with laws and regulations

We have evaluated facts and circumstances in order to assess laws and regulation relevant to the company.

We identified laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements based on our general understanding and sector experience, through discussion with relevant management and evaluating the policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations.

We communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit. The potential effect of these laws and regulations on the financial statements varies considerably:

- firstly, the company is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements including taxation and financial reporting (including related company legislation). We assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items; and
- secondly, the company is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have an indirect material effect on amounts recognised or disclosures provided in the financial statements, or both, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation.

Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations that have an indirect effect to inquiring of relevant management and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Our procedures to address compliance with laws and regulations did not result in the identification of a key audit matter.

We do note that our audit is not primarily designed to detect non-compliance with laws and regulations and that management is responsible for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to errors or fraud, including compliance with laws and regulations.



The more distant non-compliance with indirect laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it. In addition, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.

Our key audit matter

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements. We have communicated the key audit matter to the Board of Directors. The key audit matter is not a comprehensive reflection of all matters discussed.

This matter was addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on this matter.

Valuation of loan portfolio in line with IFRS 9

Description

As discussed in section '2019 Review of Financial results' in the Director's Report, and Note 4(a) and 11 to the consolidated financial statements, the loans to customers amount is EUR 20.2 billion as at 31 December 2019. The amount consists of EUR 20.1 billion loans to retail customers and EUR 0.1 billion loans to non-retail customers (corporations). These loans to customers are measured at amortised cost, less a provision for Expected Credit Losses ('ECL') of EUR 1.6 billion. Considerable judgement is exercised in determining the amount of ECL for loans to customers, which are primarily assessed on a collective basis.

We identified the assessment of ECL on loans to retail customers as a key audit matter because there was a high degree of estimation uncertainty as a result of complexity of the models, inputs, assumptions and judgements in measuring the ECL. Specifically, assessment of the probability of default ('PD'), the loss given default ('LGD'), and the exposure at default ('EAD'), the use of the macro-economic assumptions in the ECL, and the criteria for identifying significant increase in credit risk ('SICR') required significant and complex management and auditor judgement and knowledge and experience in the industry.

Our response

Our primary procedures performed to address this key audit matter included, amongst others:

- We tested certain internal controls over the Group's ECL process for loans to customers. This included testing internal controls related to the completeness and accuracy of relevant data inputs into the ECL model, relevant general IT and application controls which ensure proper credit loss statistics are used in the ECL model calculations, and the governance and monitoring of the ECL. Furthermore, we tested certain internal controls with respect to the assessment of the PD, LGD, and EAD assumptions in the model calculation, including the development of macro-economic scenarios and review of model outputs.



- We have tested the completeness and accuracy of relevant data inputs into the ECL model calculation and have recalculated the ECL model output. Furthermore, we have evaluated the appropriateness of any manual adjustments. The relevant data inputs tested included the relevant loan data, transition matrices, bucketing in days past due, staging, recovery rates and discount rates.
- We involved professionals with specialised skills and knowledge who assisted in, amongst others:
 - evaluating the inputs, assumptions and judgements to determine the PD, LGD, and EAD parameters in models used by the Group to calculate ECL;
 - assessing the Group's methodology on ECL calculation, including the impact of macro-economic scenarios;
 - evaluating the ECL model calculation to ensure it calculates in the manner as described by the Group's methodology; and
 - evaluating the appropriateness and completeness of Group level manual adjustments.

Our observation

Based on our procedures performed, we found management's overall assessment relating to the valuation of loans to customers within an acceptable range and adequately disclosed in Note 4(a) and Note 11 to the financial statements respectively.

Report on the other information included in the annual accounts

In addition to the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon, the annual accounts contains other information.

Based on the following procedures performed, we conclude that the other information:

- is consistent with the financial statements and does not contain material misstatements; and
- contains the information as required by Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

We have read the other information. Based on our knowledge and understanding obtained through our audit of the financial statements or otherwise, we have considered whether the other information contains material misstatements.

By performing these procedures, we comply with the requirements of Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code and the Dutch Standard 720. The scope of the procedures performed is less than the scope of those performed in our audit of the financial statements.

The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation of the other information, including the information as required by Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.



Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Engagement

We were appointed as auditors of Home Credit Group B.V. starting 2018 by the Board of Directors at the meeting held on 20 December 2018, as the shareholders of the Company refrained from the appointment of an auditor within the meaning of Section 2:393 of the Dutch Civil Code. We have operated as statutory auditor ever since that financial year.

No prohibited non-audit services

We have not provided prohibited non-audit services as referred to in Article 5(1) of the EU Regulation on specific requirements regarding statutory audits of public-interest entities.

Description of responsibilities regarding the financial statements

Responsibilities of the Board of Directors for the financial statements

The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with EU-IFRS and Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code. Furthermore, the Board of Directors is responsible for such internal control as management determines, is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

As part of the preparation of the financial statements, the Board of Directors is responsible for assessing Home Credit Group B.V.'s ability to continue as a going concern. Based on the financial reporting frameworks mentioned, the Board of Directors should prepare the financial statements using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board of Directors either intends to liquidate Home Credit Group B.V. or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. The Board of Directors should disclose events and circumstances that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern in the financial statements.

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objective is to plan and perform the audit engagement in a manner that allows us to obtain sufficient and appropriate audit evidence for our opinion.

Our audit has been performed with a high, but not absolute, level of assurance, which means we may not detect all material errors and fraud during our audit.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. The materiality affects the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures and the evaluation of the effect of identified misstatements on our opinion.



A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is included in the appendix of this auditor's report on the next page. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Amstelveen, 12 March 2020

KPMG Accountants N.V.

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Enclosure:

Description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements



Appendix

Description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have exercised professional judgment and have maintained professional scepticism throughout the audit, in accordance with Dutch Standards on Auditing, ethical requirements and independence requirements. Our audit included among others:

- identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, designing and performing audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtaining audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than the risk resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control;
- obtaining an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Home Credit Group B.V.'s internal control;
- evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Board of Directors;
- concluding on the appropriateness of the Board of Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting, and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on Home Credit Group B.V.'s ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause a company to cease to continue as a going concern;
- evaluating the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures; and
- evaluating whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We are solely responsible for the opinion and therefore responsible to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the components or business activities within the group to express an opinion on the financial statements. In this respect we are also responsible for directing, supervising and performing the group audit.

We communicate with the Board of Directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant findings in internal control that we identify during our audit. In this respect we also submit an additional report to the audit committee in accordance with Article 11 of the EU Regulation on specific requirements



regarding statutory audits of public-interest entities. The information included in this additional report is consistent with our audit opinion in this auditor's report.

We provide the Board of Directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with the Board of Directors, we determine the key audit matters: those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, not communicating the matter is in the public interest.