



# **2012 Interim Results**

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# **Agenda**

- **■**Key Performance Highlights
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- Outlook and Strategy









**Key Performance Highlights** 



# **Operating Environment**

- Hong Kong and China experienced slower pace of economic growth
- Renewed volatility entered global financial markets amid worsening Eurozone crisis
- Low interest rates, intense competition and slower economic activities were the key operating challenges
- Relaxed regulations allowed further expansion of offshore RMB market and created more business opportunities





#### **Performance Overview**

Achieved new highs in core income and profits Strong financial position remained intact

- Proactive management on assets and liabilities improved profitability and contained risks
- Broad-based income growth driven by solid expansion of core businesses and offshore RMB business
- Captured new growth opportunities capitalising on enhanced business platform





# **Key Financial Highlights**

HK\$m	1H2012	1H2011*	% YoY	% YoY (ex-Lehman*)
Net operating income before impairment allowances	18,165	15,126	↑ <b>20.1</b>	
Operating profit before impairment allowances	12,774	13,133	<b>↓ 2.7</b>	↑ <b>24.0</b>
Profit attributable to the equity holders	11,243	11,993	<b>↓ 6.3</b>	↑ <b>16.2</b>
Earnings per share (HK\$)	1.063	1.134	<b>↓ 6.3</b>	<b>↑ 16.2</b>
Dividend per share (HK\$)	0.545	0.630	↓ 13.5	
ROE	16.63%	19.88%	↓ 3.25pp	↑ 0.74pp <sup>#</sup>
ROA	1.35%	1.33%	↑ 0.02pp	↑ 0.28pp <sup>#</sup>

- Broad-based income growth with net interest income being the main driver
- Respectable growth of PPOP and net profit, excluding the Lehman impact
- Maintained consistent dividend policy while 1H2011 payout included the impact of the Lehman-related recovery

<sup>#</sup> Ex-Lehman, ROE for 1H2012 and 1H2011 would be 16.49% and 15.75% while ROA would be 1.35% and 1.07%

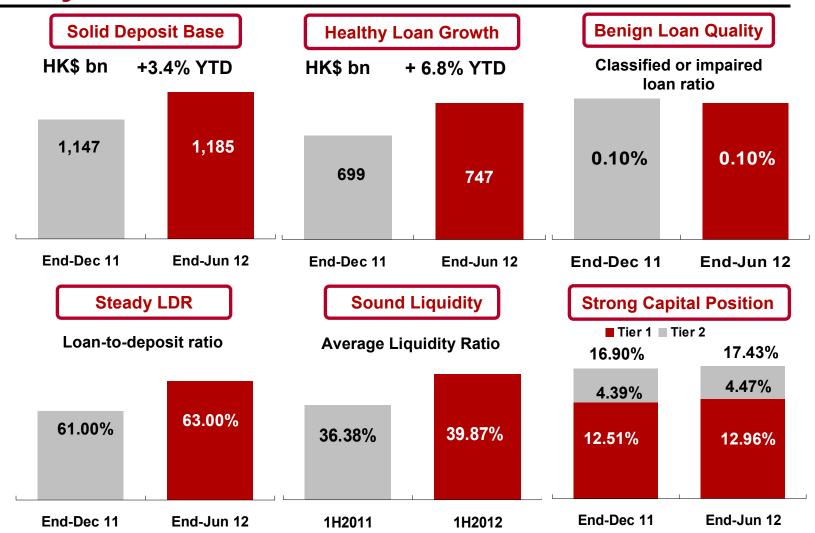






<sup>\* 1</sup>H2011 recorded a net recovery from underlying collateral of Lehman Brothers minibonds and related expenses

# **Quality Growth and Solid Financial Position**













### **Financial Results**



### **Condensed Income Statement**

Encouraging growth in core income and profits\*
Broad-based growth and prudent cost control

HK\$ m	1H2012	1H2011		% YoY	2H2011	ď	% НоН
Net interest income	12,619	10,205	_ <u></u>	23.7	11,774	<b>↑</b>	7.2
Net fee and commission income	4,102	3,986	<b>↑</b>	2.9	3,847	<b>↑</b>	6.6
Other operating income	1,444	935	<b>↑</b>	54.4	99	<b>↑</b>	1358.6
Net operating income before impairment allowances	18,165	15,126	<b>↑</b>	20.1	15,720	<b>↑</b>	15.6
Net charge of impairment allowances	(108)	(30)	<b>↑</b>	260.0	(476)	$\downarrow$	77.3
Net operating income	18,057	15,096	<b>↑</b>	19.6	15,244	<b>↑</b>	18.5
Operating expenses	(5,391)	(1,993)	<b>↑</b>	170.5	(5,869)	$\downarrow$	8.1
Operating profit	12,666	13,103	$\downarrow$	3.3	9,375	<b>↑</b>	35.1
Non-operating items	1,159	1,484	$\downarrow$	21.9	718	<b>↑</b>	61.4
Profit attributable to the equity holders	11,243	11,993	$\downarrow$	6.3	8,437	<b>↑</b>	33.3
Profit attributable to the equity holders*	11,243	9,679	<b>↑</b>	16.2	8,469	<b>↑</b>	32.8

<sup>\*</sup> Excluding the net recovery from underlying collateral of Lehman Brothers minibonds and related expenses





### **Net Interest Income**

Net interest income increased driven by notable NIM improvement

HK\$ m	1H201	2 1H2011	% YoY	2H2011	% НоН
Interest income	17,772	15,156	<b>↑ 17.3</b>	16,775	<b>↑ 5.9</b>
Interest expense	5,153	4,951	↑ <b>4.1</b>	5,001	↑ <b>3.0</b>
Net interest income	12,619	10,205	↑ <b>23.7</b>	11,774	↑ <b>7.2</b>
Average interest earning assets	1,544,663	1,698,704	↓ 9.1	1,626,293	↓ 5.0
Net interest margin (NIM)	1.64%	1.21%	↑ 0.43pp	1.44%	↑ 0.20pp





### **Non-interest Income**

Moderate growth in net fee income despite lower stock brokerage income Net trading gain also increased

HK\$ m	1H2012	1H2011	%	% YoY	2H2011	9,	% НоН
Net fee and commission income	4,102	3,986	<b>↑</b>	2.9	3,847	_ ↑	6.6
Fee and commission income							
Securities brokerage	1,054	1,485	$\downarrow$	29.0	1,297	$\downarrow$	18.7
Funds distribution	232	176	<u> </u>	31.8	161	<b>↑</b>	44.1
Insurance	596	610	<b>↓</b>	2.3	487	<u>†</u>	22.4
Loan commissions	909	588	<b>↑</b>	54.6	572	<b>↑</b>	58.9
Bill commissions	370	418	<b>↓</b>	11.5	436	<b>↓</b>	15.1
Payment services	325	303	<u> </u>	7.3	334	↓	2.7
Credit cards business	1,542	1,337	<u> </u>	15.3	1,550	<b>↓</b>	0.5
Currency exchange	69	76	<b>↓</b>	9.2	80	<b>↓</b>	13.8
Trust and custody services	179	154	<u> </u>	16.2	225	<u> </u>	20.4
Others	332	285	<u>†</u>	16.5	284	<u>†</u>	16.9
Other operating income	1,444	935	<b>↑</b>	54.4	99	<b>↑</b>	1,358.6
Net trading gain Net gain/(loss) on financial	1,408	761	1	85.0	949	<b>↑</b>	48.4
instruments designated at FVTPL	186	398	$\downarrow$	53.3	(738)		
Others	(150)	(224)	<u> </u>	33.0	(112)	1	33.9
Total	5,546	4,921	<b>↑</b>	12.7	3,946	<b>↑</b>	40.5

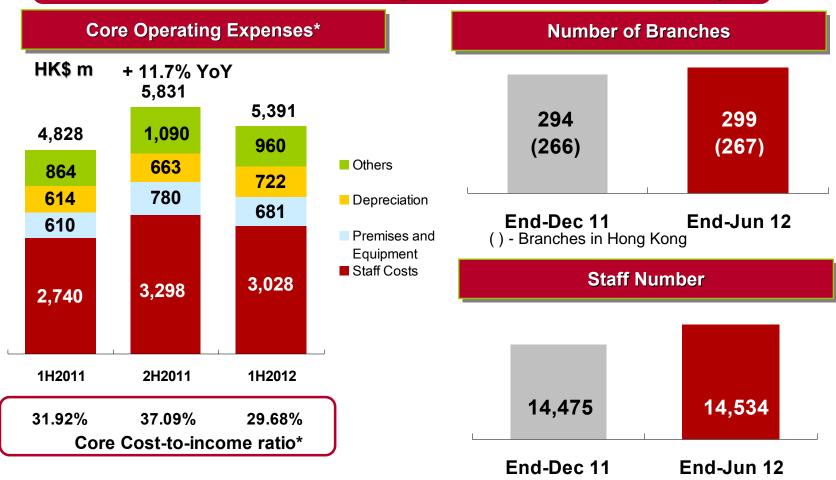


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### **Operating Expenses**

Maintaining disciplined cost control
Core cost-to-income ratio among the lowest in the local industry







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# **Net (charge) / reversal of Impairment Allowances**

#### Modest net charge of loan impairment

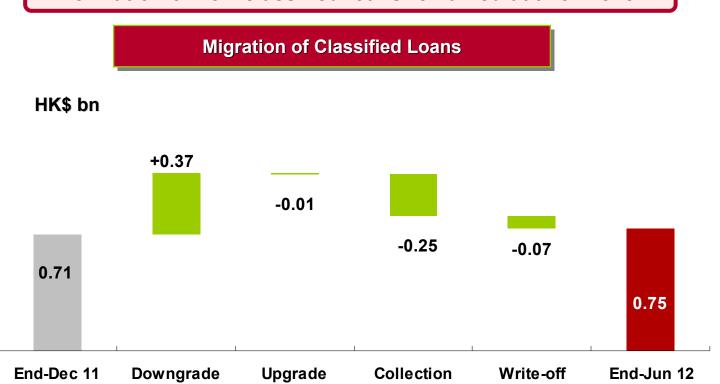
HK\$ m	1H2012	1H2011	%	% YoY	2H2011	0	% НоН
Advances to customers  Net (charge)/reversal of allowances before recoveries						_	
- individual assessment	(5)	42			(54)	$\downarrow$	90.7
- collective assessment	(238)	(295)	$\downarrow$	19.3	(425)	$\downarrow$	44.0
Recoveries	156	216	$\downarrow$	27.8	137	<b>↑</b>	13.9
Net charge of loan impairment allowances	(87)	(37)	<b>↑</b>	135.1	(342)	$\downarrow$	74.6
Securities Investments Net (charge)/reversal of impairment on							
securities investments	(16)	12			(129)	$\downarrow$	87.6
<u>Others</u>	(5)	(5)			(5)		
Total charge to income statement	(108)	(30)	<b>↑</b>	260.0	(476)	$\downarrow$	77.3





# **Loan Quality**

Formation of new classified loans remained at a low level







### **Condensed Balance Sheet**

Decline in asset size due to lower RMB funds of the clearing bank business Balance sheet mix optimised for better profitability and risk profile

HK\$ m	End-Jun 12	End-Dec 11	% C	hange
Cash and balances with banks and other financial institutions Placements with banks and	153,042	278,795	$\downarrow$	45.1
other financial institutions	114,548	107,910	<b>↑</b>	6.2
Securities investments	439,835	425,600	<u>†</u>	3.3
Advances and other accounts	785,932	755,229	<u> </u>	4.1
Total assets	1,684,722	1,738,510	$\downarrow$	3.1
Inter-bank deposits taken	114,045	236,694	$\downarrow$	51.8
Deposits from customers*	1,185,281	1,146,590	<b>↑</b>	3.4
Subordinated liabilities	28,756	28,656	<b>↑</b>	0.3
Total liabilities	1,540,310	1,605,327	$\downarrow$	4.1
Total equity	144,412	133,183	<b>↑</b>	8.4

<sup>\*</sup> Including structured deposits





# **Customer Deposits**

Solid expansion of deposit base Flexible deposit strategy with cautious funding cost control

HK\$ m	End-Jun 12	End-Dec 11	% C	hange
Demand deposits and current accounts	73,966	77,440	$\downarrow$	4.5
Saving deposits	524,722	504,868	<b>↑</b>	3.9
Time, call and notice deposits	584,169	563,643	<b>↑</b>	3.6
Structured deposits	2,424	639	<u> </u>	279.3
Total deposits from customers	1,185,281	1,146,590	<b>↑</b>	3.4





### **Advances to Customers**

# Successfully seized quality growth opportunities amid slower loan demand in the market

HK\$ m	End-Jun 12	End-Dec 11	% C	hange
Loans for use in HK - corporate	245,527	237,557	<b>↑</b>	3.4
Loans for use in HK - individual	215,066	206,983	<b>↑</b>	3.9
Residential mortgages*	177,670	169,780	<u>†</u>	4.6
Credit card advances	9,609	9,655	, 	0.5
Trade finance	67,828	59,508	↑	14.0
Loans for use outside HK	218,331	195,331	<u> </u>	11.8
Total advances to customers	746,752	699,379	<b>↑</b>	6.8
Loan-to-deposit ratio	63.00%	61.00%		

<sup>\*</sup>Loans for purchase of residential properties other than flats in Home Ownership Scheme, Private Sector Participation Scheme and Tenants Purchase Scheme

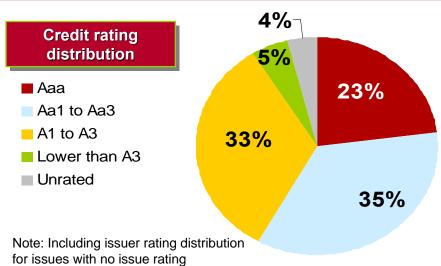




### **Securities Investments**

Further optimised investment mix with focus on safety and liquidity while maximising return

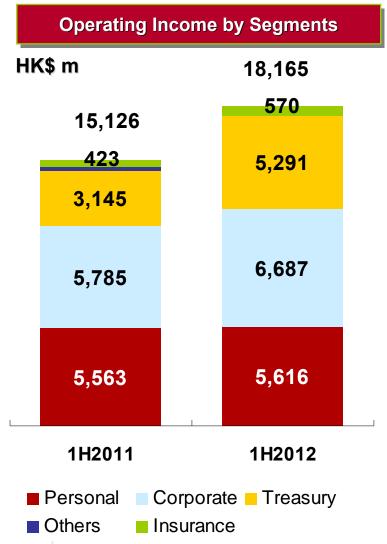
HK\$ m	End-Jun 12	End-Dec 11	% Change
Sovereign	128,551	145,205	<b>↓ 11.5</b>
Public Sector	39,239	43,252	<b>↓</b> 9.3
Corporate entities	54,484	41,576	<b>↑ 31.0</b>
Banks and other FIs	217,561	195,567	<b>↑ 11.2</b>
Total	439,835	425,600	<b>↑ 3.3</b>







# **Segmental Performance**



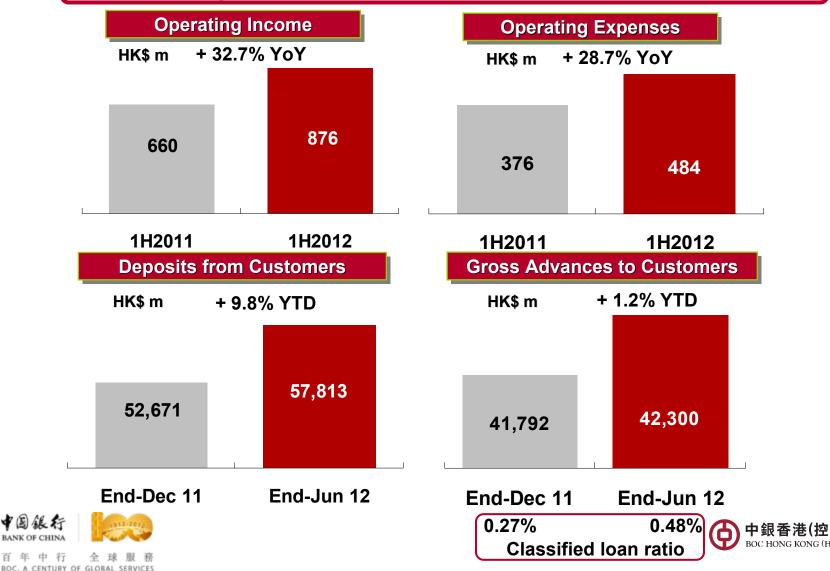
- **Personal:** Solid growth in mortgages, funds and bonds sales and credit card business
- Corporate: Enhanced service capabilities and product innovation drove strong growth
- **Treasury**: Proactive investment strategy to secure risk-adjusted return and liquidity
- Insurance: Improved investment performance and maintained leadership in the RMB insurance market





### **Mainland Business**

Operating income increased mainly driven by net interest income Strengthened deposit base and improved loan structure







**Outlook and Strategy** 



# **Outlook and Strategy**

Well-positioned for sustainable growth on the back of our solid financial strengths and enhanced competitiveness

- Overall market environment in the near term will remain challenging
- Proactive risk management to contain risks and guard against market volatilities
- Continue to invest with prudence to enhance long-term competitiveness
- Uniquely positioned to capture emerging opportunities capitalising on the Group's strong franchise and solid financial position









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