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To be the partner of choice in promoting sustainable socio-economic development.

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To promote sustainable socio-economic development in East Africa by providing Development Finance, Support and Advisory Services.

OUR CORE VALUES

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Integrity

Leadership

Innovation

Teamwork

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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

AADFI	Association of African Development Finance Institutions
ADF	African Development Fund
AfDB	African Development Bank
ALCO	Assets and Liabilities Committee
BADEA	Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa
BIF	Burundian Franc
CBR	Central Bank Rate
CDM	Clean Development Mechanism
DEG	German Investment and Development Company
DTU	Danmarks Tekniske Universitet (Danish Technical University)
EA	East Africa
EACDF	East African Community Development Fund
EU	European Union
EUR	Euro
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FMO	The Netherlands Development Finance Company
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GIZ	Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit
IAS	International Accounting Standards
IASB	International Accounting Standards Board
IFC	International Finance Corporation
IFRIC	International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee
IFRS	International Financial Reporting System



IRENA	International Renewable Energy Agency
IUCEA	Inter-University Council for East Africa
KES	Kenyan Shilling
KfW	Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau
KPMG	Klynveld Peat Marwick Goerdeler - (accounting firm)
ODA	Overseas Development Assistance
OPEC	Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries
PWC	PricewaterhouseCoopers
RCC	Reginal Collaboration Centre (UNFCCC)
RWF	Rwandan Franc
SBIC-Africa	Standard Bank Investment Corporation -Africa
SBLs	Standardised Baselines
SIDA	Swedish International Development Cooperation
TANCIS	Tanzania Customs Integrated Systems
TZS	Tanzanian Shilling
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
UGX	Ugandan Shilling
US	United States of America
USD	United States Dollar
VAT	Value Added Tax
WEO	World Economic Outlook

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

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In accordance with Articles 26 and 35 of the Charter for the East African Development Bank (the “Bank”), the Board of Directors herewith submits to the Honourable Members of the Governing Council and to the Members of the Bank, the Annual Report of the Bank for the period from 1 January to 31 December, 2015.

This Report describes the activities of the Bank during the year and shows the Bank’s financial position as at 31 December 2015. The Report also presents a review of the economic performance of the member states of EADB.

Honourable Members of the Governing Council, please accept the assurances of my highest consideration and esteem.



Kampeta Pitchette Sayinzoga,

CHAIRPERSON

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East Africa has faced considerable challenges in 2015, many of them unexpected, which have adversely impacted economic growth in the region. Average economic growth in the East Africa Community fell to 4.1% in 2015, compared to 5.8% in 2014, as Burundi fell into a sharp recession. However, excluding Burundi, average economic growth remained relatively unchanged at 5.9% and 6.1% in 2014 and 2015 respectively.

The region has been externally affected by subdued global trade. Reduced consumption in advanced and emerging market economies has lowered their demand for imports, which has adversely affected both the balance of payments and private sector development in manufacturing and services for export in East Africa. Indeed the region has been affected by escalating Balance of Payments imbalances, particularly emanating from the current account.

Furthermore, widening current account deficits, heightened global investor risk aversion and the strengthening of the US dollar have seen currencies depreciating across emerging markets and developing countries, including in East Africa(EA). Currency depreciation in the EA countries has severely impaired corporate liquidity positions, where liabilities frequently are denominated in foreign exchange. Equally, demand for US dollar denominated EADB facilities has not expanded significantly.

Domestically, Central Banks have typically sought to prevent the pass-through of exchange rate depreciation into inflation by pre-emptively raising their policy rates. As expected, this has also increased lending interest rates. In 2011-12, interest rates peaked in East Africa in tandem with mounting inflation pressure, yet they did not fall back to a normal level after inflation pressure receded. The fiscal policies pursued have had a bearing on financial markets. Governments are increasingly financing growing fiscal deficits by borrowing on domestic markets, but in doing so have maintained high interest rates and priced many out of domestic markets. Equally EADB was priced out of issuing a regional bond in 2015, owing to prohibitively high yields in the market.

The year 2015 has also faced challenges from conflicts in both Burundi and South Sudan, the EAC's newest members, which threatens to undermine stability, trade and economic growth in the region. In particular, after being awarded EADB membership last year, Burundi is yet to complete the process for full membership.

In spite of the challenging operating environment in East Africa, investor confidence is very high, the Bank's capital adequacy and leverage have improved significantly. By the close of 2015, the total assets of the Bank stood at USD 381



million, an increase of 9% upon 2014. The portfolio has expanded by 48% over 2014, granting the Bank USD 6.6 million in profit. Looking forward, increased profitability and asset growth will escalate and strengthen the Bank.

The East African Community Partner States face a challenging near-term outlook: tight financial conditions, domestic instability and the risk of terrorism for some, all threaten economic activity. The impact of low commodity prices may slow investments in natural gas and oil exploration and extraction in Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda and has already significantly reduced mineral export revenues in Rwanda. Yet low commodity prices may have a larger effect on the region through stifling global activity. Financial sector also remains shallow and the business environment sensitive to speculation.

Governments are investing heavily to bring sustainable development to the region, but large scale investments, such as those to address infrastructure deficits, will take time to yield dividends. Nonetheless, we expect that EADB will continue to work alongside governments to support economic development and we predict strong internal growth for the Bank.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kampeta Pitchette Sayinzoga', written in a cursive style.

Ms. Kampeta Pitchette Sayinzoga

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DIRECTOR GENERAL'S STATEMENT



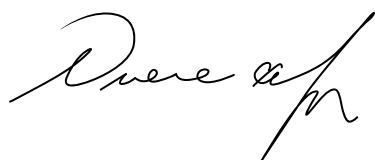
This year, EADB has completed another five-year medium-term strategy. Initially, the strategy was implemented to address weaknesses and develop the Bank under three stages: repositioning, consolidation and growth. We have been more successful than we envisaged in transforming the Bank and currently stand in a very strong financial position, congratulated by international rating agencies and entrusted by some of the largest global development donors.

Building on support from its regional and international shareholders, the Bank's assets increased by 70% from USD 224 million in 2010 to USD 381 million by 2015. Improved portfolio size and quality ensured a consistent rise in profitability. EADB's portfolio increased from USD 112 million in 2010 to USD 165 million by 2015, causing income to increase from USD 2.2 million in 2010 to an average of USD 7.5 million per annum thereafter.

In 2015, the Bank posted profit of USD 6.6 million. Stronger governance and risk-management policies drove a sharp decline in non-performing loans from 32% in 2010 to less than 1% in 2015.

In 2015, Moody's upgraded the Bank's rating to Baa3 stable (investor grade) which is the highest rating in East Africa accorded to both sovereign and non-sovereign entities. Equally, AADFI has rated EADB as the best performing development financial institution in Africa for three consecutive years between 2013 and 2015. An improved rating positions the Bank at advantage over its peers with respect to the mobilisation of resources from international capital markets.

Looking forward, we are in a very exciting position to launch a new five-year medium-term strategy for 2016-20. During the period, we intend to increase our portfolio size, asset base and profitability further, partly through widening our range of products and services, but also we intend to focus more on specific development outcomes: sustainable enterprise development, access to physical infrastructure and human capital development. I am excited to enter this new period for EADB and to personally oversee the difference we can make as a development bank.



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ECONOMIC REVIEW



1.1 RECENT PERFORMANCE

1.1.1 GLOBAL ECONOMIC GROWTH

Global economic growth slowed to 3.1% in 2015, from 3.4% in 2014 (Table 1). The unexpected slowdown reflects a general contraction in trade volumes and prices, subdued global industrial production and investment and declining capital flows to emerging market and developing economies. Oil and non-fuel commodity prices declined by 47% and 17% respectively. According to the IMF, global industrial production, particularly of capital goods, remained subdued in 2015, driven by slower industrial production in China and by reduced global investment, particularly in the energy and mining sectors.

Growth in **high income countries** remained lacklustre, with low potential growth. In 2015, advanced economies grew by 1.9%, supported by the US where GDP growth reached 2.4% on the back of employment growth. However, productivity is yet to recover and legacies still persist from the financial crisis, which combined will reduce potential economic activity.

Growth in the **Euro area** has picked up, but still remains below pre-crisis levels. Economic activity grew by 1.7% in 2015, above the 0.9% growth achieved in 2014. Credit growth is beginning to recover and unemployment is starting to fall, although from very weak levels.

Emerging markets experienced uneven growth and an overall slowdown from 4.6% in 2014 to 4.0% in 2015. Many low-income commodity exporters have suffered from low commodity prices and a lack of economic diversity to offset the price falls. The economies of Brazil and Russia contracted in 2015, undermined by low commodity prices, political instability and, in Russia, economic sanctions. Meanwhile, China's planned economic slowdown to rebalance their economy has had adverse global spillover effects.

Sub-Saharan Africa continues to face slowing growth. Growth in Sub-Saharan Africa averaged 3.3% in 2015, down from 5.1% in 2014. Weak external conditions, lower commodity prices, a partial reversal of capital flows and lower growth among trading partners have imposed a substantial impact on many Sub-Saharan economies.

**Table 1: Economic Growth (Annual Percentage Change)**

						Projections	
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015e	2016e	2017f
World Output	3.9	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.4
Advanced Economies	1.7	1.2	1.3	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8
- United States	1.9	2.3	2.2	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.5
- Japan	-0.6	1.5	1.6	0.0	0.5	0.3	0.1
Euro Area	1.5	-0.7	-0.5	0.9	1.7	1.6	1.4
- United Kingdom	1.0	0.3	1.7	3.1	2.2	1.7	1.3
Emerging Markets & Developing Economies	6.2	5.1	4.7	4.6	4.0	4.1	4.6
Middle East, North Africa, Afghanistan and Pakistan	3.9	4.9	2.2	2.7	2.3	3.4	3.3
Sub-Saharan Africa	5.5	4.4	5.2	5.1	3.3	1.6	3.3
EAC-5 Partner States	6.5	5.1	5.2	5.9	4.1	5.6	5.0
Burundi	4.0	4.4	4.5	4.7	-4.1	3.4	3.9
Kenya	6.1	4.6	5.7	5.3	5.6	6.0	6.1
Rwanda	7.8	8.8	4.7	7.0	6.9	6.3	6.7
Tanzania	7.9	5.1	7.3	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.8
Uganda	6.8	2.6	4.0	4.9	5.0	5.3	5.7
Memorandum Items							
Commodity Price (percentage change)							
Oil	31.6	1	-0.9	-7.5	-47.2	-15.5	16.4
Nonfuel	17.9	-10	-1.2	-4	-17.5	-3.8	-0.6
Consumer prices (percentage change)							
Advanced Economies	2.7	2.0	1.4	1.4	0.3	0.7	1.6
Emerging Markets and Developing Economies	7.1	6.1	5.9	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.4
London Interbank Offered Rate per cent							
On USD deposits (6 months)	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.9	1.2
On Euro deposits (3 months)	1.4	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.0	-0.3	-0.4
On Japanese Yen Deposits (6 months)	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.2

1. Average based on world Commodity export weights
2. e=estimates; f=forecasts

Sources: WEO Update, April 2016; Ministries of Finance for EADB Member States; EADB

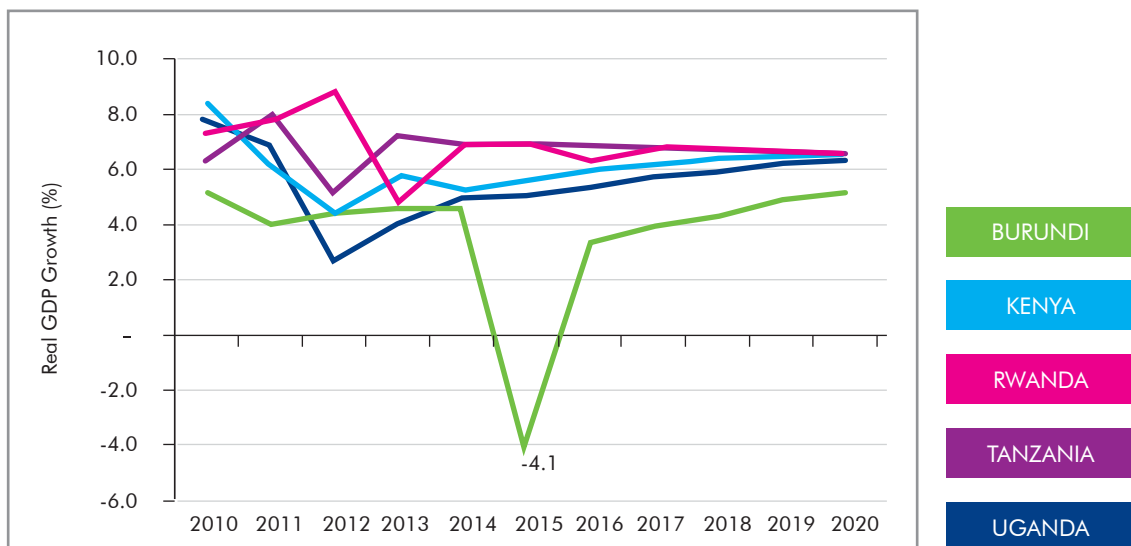
1.1.2 GROWTH IN EAST AFRICA

Average economic growth in East Africa fell to 4.1% in 2015, compared to 5.8% in 2014, as Burundi fell into a sharp recession. However, excluding Burundi, average economic growth was stable at 6.1% from 6% in 2014.

Lesser consumption in advanced and emerging market economies has reduced their demand for imports, which adversely affected both the balance of payments and private sector development in manufacturing and services for export in East Africa. Indeed the region has been affected by escalating Balance of Payments imbalances, particularly emanating from the current account.

Consequently, widening current account deficits, alongside heightened global investor risk aversion and the strengthening of the US dollar have seen currencies depreciate across emerging markets, including in East Africa. Currency depreciations have severely impaired corporate liquidity positions, where liabilities are denominated in foreign exchange.

Figure 1: Economic Growth for EA Countries



Source: EADB; Bureau of Statistics for the EAC Partner States and the IMF

Burundi: Fell into recession, whereby real GDP growth declined by 4.1%. Political uncertainties spurred an economic contraction that affected almost all sectors of the economy especially agriculture, which employs 80% of the population, tourism and industrial activity. The contraction also caused revenue collections to decline significantly.

Kenya: The economy is estimated to have expanded by 5.6% on the back of public infrastructure projects, buoyant credit growth and strong consumer demand. However, this was below expectations (the IMF projected a growth rate of 6.9%), due to weaknesses in tourism, delays in planned infrastructure spending and volatile external financing conditions.

Rwanda: GDP growth remains buoyant at 6.9%. The industrial and services sectors grew evenly at 7.0% each, whilst agriculture, forestry and fishing grew by 5.0%. The economy grew in spite of lower commodity prices, combined with lower mineral demand, which halved the country's mineral exports and led to a significant loss of export revenue.

Tanzania: Real GDP growth is estimated to have increased by 6.9% in 2015 driven by high demand. The services and construction sectors drove economic activity: the service sector contributed to over 50% of total GDP growth.

Uganda: Real GDP growth reached 5.0% in 2015 driven by public investment, robust private consumption and growth in the services sector, particularly information, communication and support services. The industrial and agricultural sectors also grew robustly. However, GDP was less than expected due to sluggish exports and a weaker than expected private sector.



1.1.3 PRICES AND MONETARY POLICY IN THE EAC

INFLATION

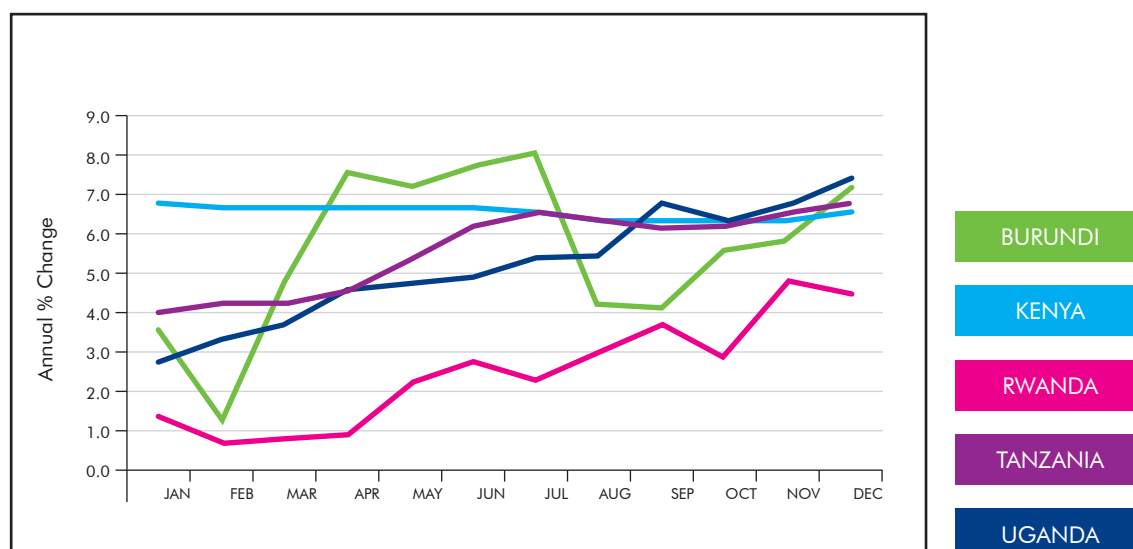
Inflation in East Africa remained benign and generally low (See figure 2 below). The average inflation rate for all EAC member states in 2015 was 5%, predominantly supported by rising domestic food prices and widespread currency depreciations. Unusually low oil prices imposed less pressure on import bills and moderated domestic inflation. The following section provides analysis on inflation developments amongst EAC member states.

Burundi: The average inflation rate in Burundi was 5.5% in 2015, compared to 4.4% in 2014. Inflation is expected to increase in the medium term on account of rising food prices and further currency depreciation. The risk to the inflation forecast is high on the upside owing to Burundi's vulnerability to weather conditions. There is also a likelihood that the growing fiscal deficit will be financed by the central bank, which would also have adverse inflationary consequences.

Kenya: despite high food prices and the shilling depreciation, annual inflation declined slightly to 6.5% in 2015, compared to 6.8% in 2014. Monetary policy has been effective in curbing inflation: the CBR was increased by 300 basis points over the year, from 8.5% in May to 11.5% by July, where it has been held ever since.

Rwanda: Inflation in Rwanda is the lowest amongst the EAC: compared to the bloc's average of 5.0% inflation in 2015, Rwandan inflation averaged just 2.5%, up from 1.7% in 2014. Headline inflation increased throughout 2015 under rising food prices. However, there was a quick pass-through from subdued oil prices to transport prices, which has helped to keep inflation low. Inflation is expected to pick up in 2016 under rising domestic demand and a depreciating currency.

Figure 2: Inflation rates for EA Countries in 2015



Source: EA Countries' Bureau of Statistics; EADB

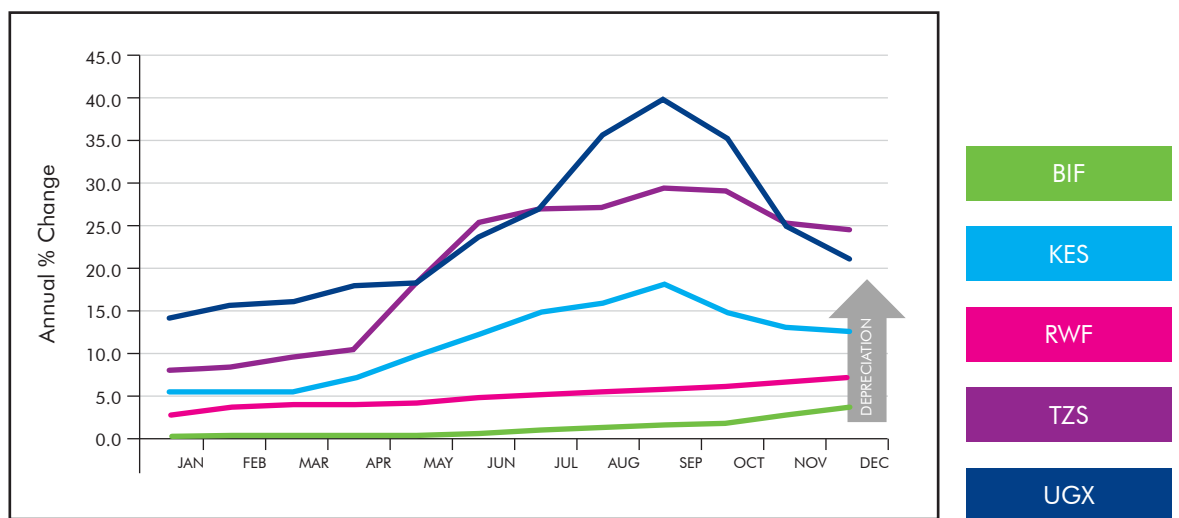
Tanzania: Annual headline inflation declined to an average of 5.5% in 2015, from 6.1% in 2014. However, inflation has been trending upwards throughout the year, from 3.9% in January to 6.5% by December, again driven by increasing food prices. Inflation is forecasted to accelerate further in 2016 due to the lagged impact of currency depreciation and rising food prices, undermined by uncertainty surrounding the El Nino.

Uganda: Year on year core inflation increased consistently from January through to December, from 2.8% to 7.4%. The sharp exchange rate depreciation exerted a lot of pressure on inflation. Similarly, market uncertainties during the election period and elevated domestic food prices exerted upwards inflation pressures. However, a tight monetary policy stance was effective in preventing a full pass through to domestic inflation. Indeed, the CBR increased from 11% to 17% over the course of the year, which is expected to start easing inflation substantially by mid-2016.

EXCHANGE RATES

Across the EAC, currencies depreciated significantly against the USD in 2015. However, East African currency depreciations were more a result of the global USD appreciation as the outlook for the US economy improved and market expectations forecast tighter US monetary policy in the near term. Tight monetary policy within the EAC has been instrumental in containing the pass through of exchange rate depreciations to inflation, although this has been partly supported by low oil prices. Figure 3 depicts the currency movements against the USD, with upward positive shifts showing percentage depreciations.

Figure 3: Exchange rate movements (Local Currency against the USD)



Source: EAC Partner States Central Banks; EADB



Burundian Franc: The Franc depreciated by 1.6 per cent over 2015, although the rate of depreciation steadily increased throughout the year from an appreciation of 0.4% in January 2015, rising to a depreciation of 4.1% by December. By December 2015, the currency had hit its weakest ever exchange rate against the US dollar at BIF/USD 1,614.05. Although the rate of depreciation of the Burundian Franc is the lowest in the region, monetary authorities have almost reached their limit to intervene in foreign exchange markets due to a significant decline in foreign exchange reserves and a widening current account deficit in the face of a small export base.

Kenyan Shilling: increased volatility in global financial markets and ongoing security challenges have put pressure on the Kenyan exchange rate and international reserves. The currency experienced its highest annual rate of depreciation in September at 18.5%, reaching KES/USD 105.20. By the end of the year, the shilling had stabilised slightly to KES/USD 102.10 and to an annual depreciation rate of 12.9%. The Central Bank of Kenya tightened liquidity conditions and made use of its international reserves to successfully mitigate exchange rate volatility.

Rwandan Franc: The Rwandan Franc depreciated consistently throughout 2015, reaching its highest rate of annual depreciation in December, at 7.4% and RWF/USD 744.00. The Franc depreciation was mainly caused by high import demand, a relatively narrow export base and a decline in budget support by development partners. In efforts to dampen the currency depreciation, the authorities responded by tightening the monetary policy stance, by implementing frontloaded donor assistance and by using international reserves to cushion the immediate impact.

Tanzanian Shilling: The shilling experienced heightened volatility and a depreciation against the USD throughout 2015. The highest rate of annual depreciation was experienced in September and October when the currency depreciated by 29.7% and 29.5% respectively. By the end of the year the percentage depreciation had reached 24.9% and the currency stood at TZS/USD 2,154.50. The shilling is expected to continue to depreciate, albeit at a slower pace in 2016. The depreciation of the shilling reflects global strength of the dollar and a lagged impact of loosened monetary policy.

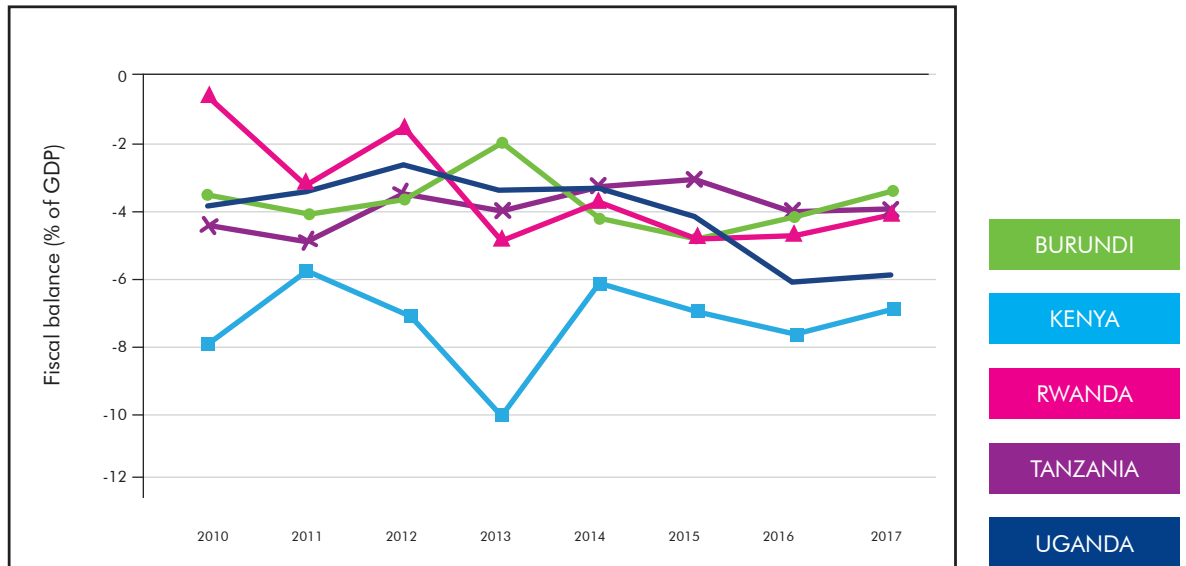
Ugandan Shilling: The shilling depreciated by more than any other East African currency throughout 2015, by 24.7% on average, on account of investor speculation, but also high import demand and the appreciation of the US dollar. The rate of depreciation peaked at 40.1% in September, before the Bank of Uganda intervened to quash speculators. Beyond 2016 the twin fiscal and current account deficits will outweigh the impact to steady growth and robust foreign investment causing further slide of the shilling against the USD.

1.1.4 FISCAL SUSTAINABILITY

East Africa is characterized by high fiscal deficits and very low resource mobilization. Recently, regional fiscal deficits have been driven by elevated government expenditure to invest in infrastructure. Yet, whilst infrastructure is a productive investment, the level of government investment and related capital imports for infrastructure has had some adverse consequences including: rising debt levels, increasing government security yields and consequently wider commercial bank lending interest rates and exchange rate depreciations. All of the aforementioned risk the sustainability of prolonged fiscal deficits.

Burundi: Budgeted expenditure is expected to decline by 27% to around USD 0.7 billion in 2016/17, compared to 2015/16. However, revenues are expected to fall more so, by 29% over the year, and to their lowest in seven years. A weak revenue performance is expected as a result of the GDP contraction, which will obviously hamper tax collection. The Government is expected to control its expenditure nevertheless; the budget deficit as a percentage of GDP, is expected to narrow to 4.4% (2016) down from 5.3% (2015) reflecting limited financing options. The deficit is expected to be covered mostly through external and domestic borrowing and partially through central bank financing.

Figure 4: Budget Balance for EA Countries (% of GDP)



Source: Economist Intelligence Unit; EADB

Kenya: has consistently demonstrated the highest budget deficit in East Africa throughout the past five years and is expected to continue to do so in the medium term. In 2015/16, the fiscal deficit amounted to 7.2% of GDP. Revenue collection, targeted at USD 12.9 billion (17.7% of GDP), is still lower than usual. The considerable fiscal deficit, driven by high expenditure, reflects large scale infrastructure investments and recurrent expenditure for new counties.


Table 2: Fiscal Indicators (in billions of USD unless indicated)

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Budget balance (% of GDP)								
Burundi	-3.6	-4.0	-3.7	-1.7	-4.5	-5.3	-4.4	-3.5
Kenya	-8.4	-5.6	-7.1	-9.8	-6.2	-7.2	-8.0	-7.1
Rwanda	-0.1	-3.4	-1.2	-5.0	-4.0	-5.3	-5.2	-4.4
Tanzania	-4.8	-5.0	-3.6	-4.2	-3.3	-4.2	-4.5	-4.2
Uganda	-4.0	-3.6	-2.5	-3.5	-3.4	-4.5	-6.8	-6.6
Budget revenue								
Burundi	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.6
Kenya	7.5	8.3	10.4	11.3	10.8	12.9	13.6	14.2
Rwanda	1.4	1.4	1.7	1.7	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.0
Tanzania	4.4	4.7	5.7	6.1	7.1	6.0	6.3	6.5
Uganda	2.4	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.6	3.4	3.7	3.9
Budget expenditure								
Burundi	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.7
Kenya	10.0	9.2	10.8	14.7	14.6	14.8	17.8	18.4
Rwanda	1.4	1.6	1.8	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.4
Tanzania	5.8	6.2	7.0	7.9	8.6	7.3	8.1	8.3
Uganda	3.1	3.6	3.7	4.1	4.5	4.4	5.4	5.6
Budget revenue (% of GDP)								
Burundi	37.3	36.1	31.9	29.7	25.6	24.1	17.7	18.0
Kenya	23.9	23.8	21.7	18.3	19.1	17.7	19.3	18.8
Rwanda	25.3	24.1	25.3	23.7	26.1	25.0	23.7	23.9
Tanzania	15.2	15.2	15.9	14.8	15.6	14.8	16.9	16.9
Uganda	12.7	15.5	13.1	13.0	13.7	14.8	15.4	15.4
Budget expenditure (% of GDP)								
Burundi	40.9	40.0	35.6	31.4	30.1	29.3	22.2	23.5
Kenya	32.2	29.4	28.8	28.1	25.4	25.0	27.5	26.4
Rwanda	25.4	27.5	26.5	28.7	30.0	30.3	29.0	28.6
Tanzania	20.0	20.2	19.5	19.1	19.0	23.2	27	27
Uganda	16.8	18.4	16.0	16.5	17.0	19.4	20.7	20.0
Public debt (% of GDP)								
Burundi	47.1	42.7	43.0	36.9	34.9	39.8	43.4	41.6
Kenya	41.7	39.9	42.1	44.5	45.9	48.0	50.3	46.9
Rwanda	20.0	20.1	21.7	28.4	30.7	33.5	35.8	37.4
Tanzania	27.8	28.8	29.0	30.8	31.4	34.7	37.3	37.7
Uganda	21.0	21.4	24.0	28.9	29.1	31.0	36.3	37.2

Source: Ministry of Finance for Member States and Economist Intelligence Unit

Rwanda: Budget revenues stagnated at USD 2.0 billion in 2014/15 and 2015/16, while expenditure has increased slightly causing the fiscal deficit to worsen from 4.5% to 5.3%. The authorities are implementing new tax measures to boost revenue mobilization, including import levies to help finance infrastructure projects, excise taxes on strategic reserves, higher tobacco taxes and procedures to improve tax compliance.

Tanzania: Tanzania is running a relatively stable fiscal deficit. Although the fiscal deficit is expected to increase to 4.3% in 2016, up from 3.1% in 2015, it is the lowest in the region. Significant tax policy measures to reduce non-priority expenditures and to clear arrears, will be implemented in 2016/17. Tax revenue to GDP is expected to improve slightly to 14.6% in 2016, compared to 14% in 2015, backed by the recent presidential drive to fight tax evasion. Fiscal discipline is likely to enable the government to scale up social spending, with plans to provide universal free secondary education, to improve health care and to provide support to farmers.

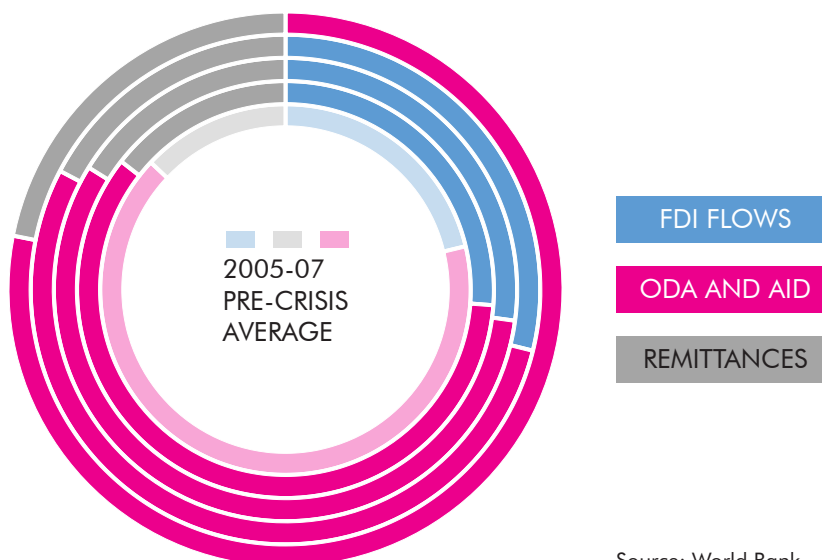
Uganda: The fiscal deficit has been steadily widening over the recent period, from 2.5% of GDP in 2012 to 6.8% of GDP in 2016. Fiscal policy is expected to remain expansionary given government efforts to increase infrastructure spending under National Development Program II. Given the mounting deficit, Uganda is expected to finance its infrastructure investments through external borrowing, with the hope of creating public private partnerships in the future. Yet the fiscal deficit is exacerbated by Uganda’s poor domestic resource mobilization. The revenue to GDP was 4.8% in 2015. Nonetheless, the debt to GDP ratio stands at only 35.8% of GDP and so there is room to increase external borrowing without compromising debt sustainability.

1.1.5 EXTERNAL FINANCING

Just before the financial crisis, total financial inflows to East Africa averaged USD 6,648 million per year, of which 13% were incoming remittance transfers, 23% were FDI inflows and 64% were in the form of overseas development assistance (ODA) and aid (Figure 5- inner cycle). Figure 5 presents the changing share of financial inflows in terms of FDI inflows, ODA and aid and remittances.

Moving outwards, the circles show the total annual financial inflows to East Africa from 2011 to 2015, although 2015 FDI data is not yet available. Total financial inflows to East Africa have increased dramatically since the financial crisis, from USD 12,142 million in 2011 and to USD 15,958 million in 2014. Whilst the region remains heavily dependent on ODA and aid, which accounted for 54% of all financial inflows in 2014, aid dependence is lessening even compared to 2011 when ODA and aid accounted for 66% of all financial inflows.

Figure 5: Changing composition of External Financing in East Africa



Source: World Bank

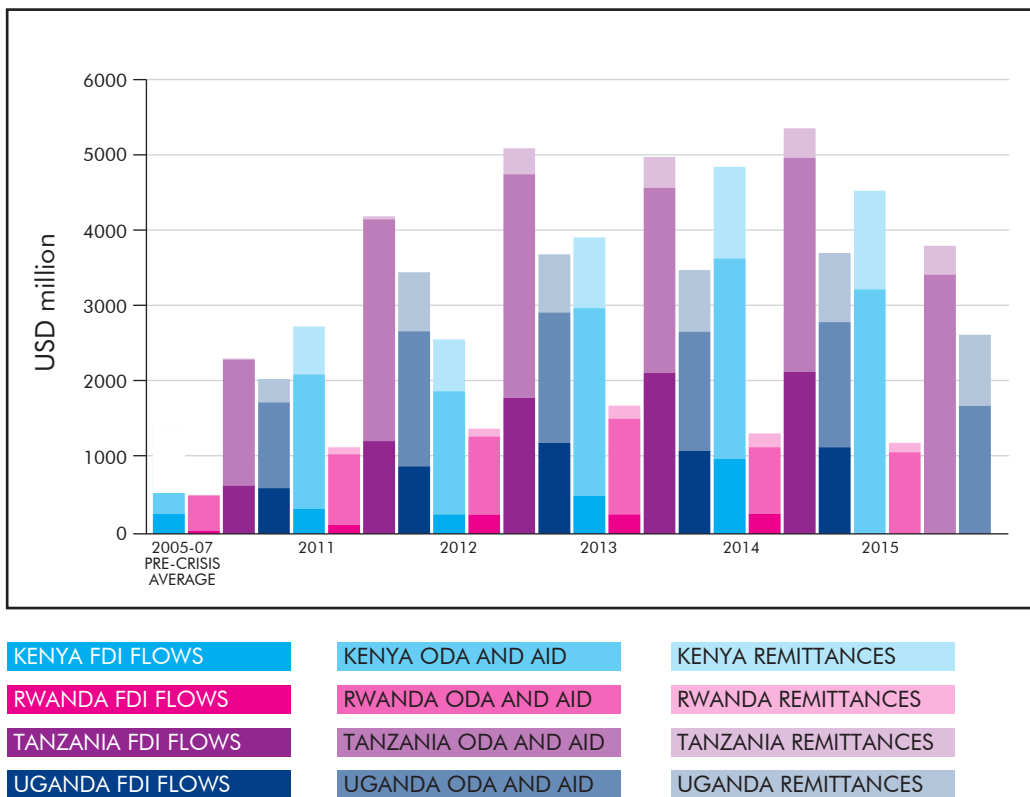


ODA and aid inflows are not declining however, rather FDI and remittance inflows have expanded considerably: both FDI and remittance inflows separately increased by 77 % between 2011 and 2014. FDI inflows to East Africa have increased from USD 2,580 million in 2011 to USD 4,578 million by 2014; whilst remittance inflows have increased from USD 1,573 million in 2011 to USD 2,743 million in 2014 and USD 2,799 million in 2015. Increasing FDI and remittance inflows presents a real development opportunity to the region, and if well-managed may be more sustainable and beneficial to economic growth than ODA and aid.

Financial inflows are obviously not uniform across the region. Tanzania has steadily attracted the largest inflows, predominantly in FDI, ODA and aid, while Rwanda attracted the lowest inflows (figure 6).

ODA and aid accounted for 53% of external financial inflows to Tanzania in 2014, and grew further from USD 2,832 million in 2014 to USD 3,430 million in 2015, making Tanzania the prime destination for ODA and aid inflows in East Africa, closely followed by Kenya, most likely a result of their larger populations. However, ODA and aid inflows to Tanzania may fall in 2016 given donor withdrawals following concerns surrounding elections in Zanzibar. Donor withdrawal will increase the importance of attracting FDI, something which Tanzania already prioritises under favourable investment policies. Indeed, Tanzania’s FDI inflows were comfortably the largest in East Africa in 2014 at USD 2,142 million, largely directed towards investments in their natural gas reserves and gold deposits (Tanzania is Africa’s third largest producer of gold). Uganda boasted the second largest FDI inflows in 2014, at USD 1,147 million, as overseas investors sought to develop Uganda’s newly discovered oil fields.

Figure 6: Country decomposition of external financing to East Africa



Source: World Bank

Throughout East Africa, FDI is likely to continue to grow as new natural resource discoveries are developed and the EAC common market becomes better integrated. Furthermore, as the region seeks to upgrade its transport infrastructure and energy production, it will directly attract FDI in the construction of the above, but will also indirectly attract further FDI as it gains a reputation as a more favourable investment environment.

In the above example, Rwanda leads the way: by investing heavily in energy and communications infrastructure and implementing more business-friendly regulatory reforms, Rwanda jumped to 32nd position in the World Bank's global 2014 Doing Business Report, which encouraged a 125% increase in FDI inflows since 2011. Rwanda's global ranking has since fallen consecutively in 2015 and 2016, which may encourage some FDI elsewhere, thereby also demonstrating the importance of maintaining a healthy business environment.

Whilst Kenya's FDI inflows are constantly below those of Uganda and Tanzania, they have been growing markedly (by 195% from 2011 to 2014 and by 96% from 2013) and in 2015 Kenya hopes to attract USD 1 billion in FDI inflows as sizeable geothermal power generation contracts have been awarded and several publicly-held companies have been listed for sale to international investors.

Increased FDI inflows across East Africa should have a real development impact on the region, by supporting job creation, necessary infrastructure development and international business best practice. At present, governments are successfully attracting nervous international investors, despite the subdued global economic outlook.

Finally, remittance inflows constitute the smallest proportion of external financial inflows, particularly in Tanzania where despite a growing middle class, remittance inflows only accounted for 7%, or USD 390 million, of external financial inflows in 2014, falling to USD 382 million in 2015. By contrast, remittance inflows made up 25% of financial inflows in Kenya and Uganda in 2014, and in Kenya grew from USD 1,211 million in 2014 to USD 1,304 million in 2015, in Uganda from USD 913 million in 2014 to USD 941 million in 2015. Indeed, early reports indicate that in 2015, Kenya will be the third largest destination for remittances globally, encouraged by government initiatives to engage the diaspora and present them with attractive investment options, such as Treasury bonds. In many ways, Uganda has tried to emulate Kenya's example. As the middle class expands, the region may benefit further from engaging a diaspora that will grow in wealth and number.

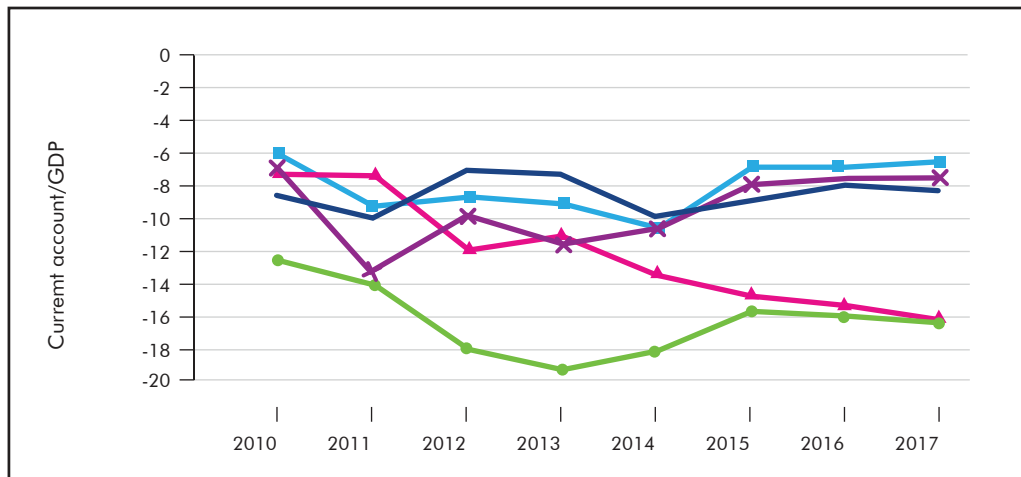
1.1.6 EXTERNAL SECTOR AND TRADE IN EAST AFRICA

High current account deficits and costly external and domestic financing conditions are affecting price stability and increasing macroeconomic vulnerabilities. The current account deficit is exacerbating exchange rate pressures and inducing some central banks to intervene in foreign exchange markets to stem the rate of depreciation. The East African economies have entered this episode of pressure with lower buffers thus limiting the room for additional countercyclical policies.

Burundi: The external sector in Burundi is underperforming owing to its limited export base. In 2015 Burundi continued to record a high current account deficit, at USD 468 million (the current account to GDP was 15.2% in 2015). In 2016 the current account deficit is expected to remain the same as domestic demand falters and is expected to be increasingly financed by creditors from China and Russia. Nonetheless, the deteriorating economic situation, forced protectionism by the state and donor outflows have caused international foreign exchange reserves to fall from 3.3 months of import cover in 2014 to 1.4 months in 2015; in 2016 import cover is expected to fall further to 0.8 months, which is far below the IMF's 3 month recommendation for developing countries.



Figure 7: Current Account (as a % of GDP)



Source: Economist Intelligence Unit and EADB

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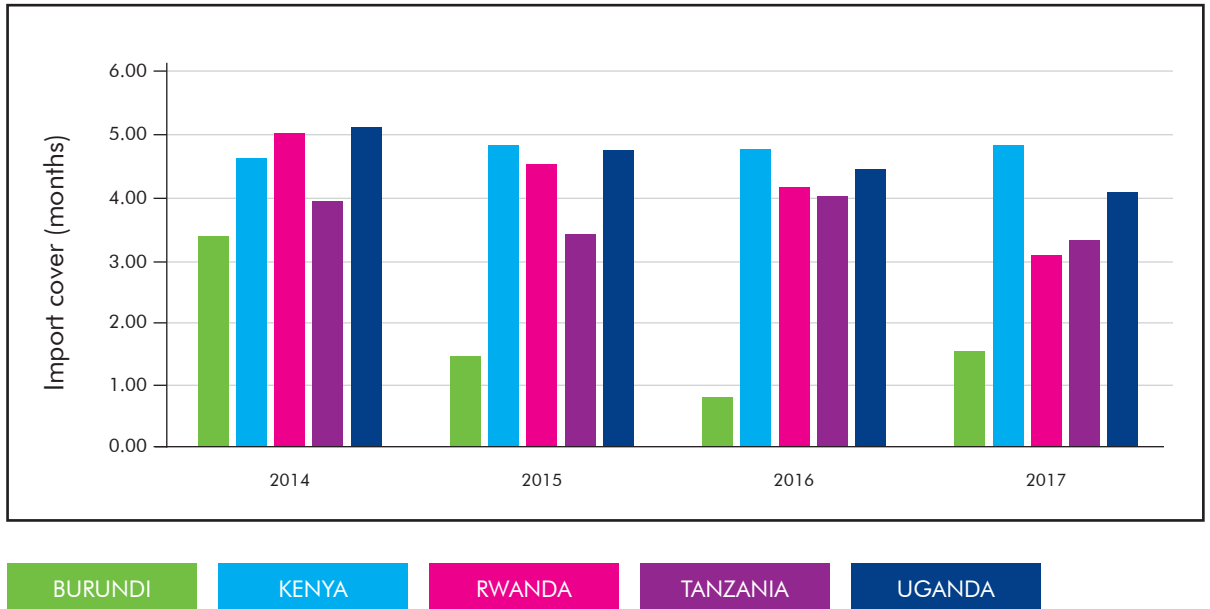
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Kenya: The current account deficit narrowed to an estimated 6.8% of GDP in 2015, compared to 10.4% in 2014. The balance of payments deficit is expected to remain unchanged in 2016 because of large capital equipment imports to support major infrastructure projects and growing demand for consumer goods. The upsurge in the current account deficit in 2014 was mainly attributed to a decline in exports of major export crops namely tea, horticulture products and coffee. The trade balance for Kenya reached a deficit of USD 11.4 billion, though this has since narrowed and exports are further expected to pick up in 2016. EAC integration will help to drive demand for Kenyan manufactures. Horticulture may benefit from the signing of a new economic partnership agreement between the EAC and the EU. Kenya maintains a strong international reserves position covering 4.7 months of imports in 2015 against the EAC average of 3.7 months.

Rwanda: is estimated to have recorded a balance of payments deficit of USD 103 million at the end of 2015. The current account deficit deteriorated to USD 1,193 million, or 14.4% of GDP, as the trade deficit escalated, driven by falling mining export revenues and growing imports, particularly in the construction sector. The current account deficit is expected to deteriorate further in 2016, to 15% of GDP, due to a continued increase in imports and fall in exports, especially in mining and services. Rising coffee and tea prices may slightly offset the negative trade balance.

Tanzania: The current account deficit improved significantly in 2015, from USD 5 billion in 2014 to USD 3 billion, as manufactured goods and travel receipts pushed exports upwards, whilst falling oil prices offered relief to the import bill. Indeed, the value of oil imports fell by 24% in 2015. The value of construction-related imports also fell by 21% over 2015. Nonetheless, the trade deficit is expected to persist into 2016 as the slowdown in export demand from China and the EU offsets gains from reduced oil prices on imports. The current account deficit is expected to improve slightly from 7.9% in 2015 to 7.5% in 2016.

Figure 8: Reserves Import Cover (months) for EA Countries



Source: Economist Intelligence Unit and EADB

Uganda: Despite falling oil prices benefitting the import bill, the trade deficit remains sizeable under high capital goods imports to support many large infrastructure projects. Nonetheless, the current account deficit improved somewhat in 2015, from 9.7% of GDP in 2014, to 8.8% of GDP, boosted by low oil prices and robust grants and remittances. Looking forward the trade deficit, and current account balance, are likely to improve further as global food prices pick up and benefit agricultural exports, particularly coffee.

1.1.7 BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

The World Bank Doing Business survey of 189 economies (including 47 in Sub-Saharan Africa) provides a useful measure of the business environment and reflects the low overall ranking of the East Africa region.

The survey provides an aggregate ranking based on 10 subsidiary indicators: starting a business; dealing with construction permits; getting electricity; registering property; getting credit; protecting investors; paying taxes; trading across borders; enforcing contracts; and resolving insolvency.

Whilst the survey suggests significant challenges to doing business in the East Africa region, the 2016 survey reflects a modest improvement in the average aggregate ranking of EAC member states relative to 2015, and a notable improvement in the ranking of Kenya and Uganda. Aggregate data for the EAC member states in the 2015 and 2016 surveys are reflected in Table 3.

The survey highlights considerable variations in the ranking of individual member states. Rwanda ranks far ahead in its overall ranking of 62, whilst all other member states rank in the second half of the table. In terms of specific indicators, trading across borders and getting electricity are identified by the survey as particular challenges in all EAC member states.



Table 3. Ease of Doing Business (EAC average and member states)

	EAC	Burundi	Kenya	Rwanda	Tanzania	Uganda
Ease of doing business ranking (2016)	117	152	108	62	139	122
Ease of doing business ranking (2015)	122	151	129	55	140	135

Source: World Bank Doing Business 2016

EAC member states have continued to take steps to improve the business environment and to support private sector development. Key measures taken in 2015 are summarised in Box 1.

EADB recognizes that it can play an important role in strengthening the business environment and East Africa regional competitiveness. The Bank continues to work with the EAC Secretariat, Member Country governments, international development partners and private sector participants towards identifying opportunities to support improvements and to promote the sharing of best practice between member states.

Box 1. Improving the Business Environment

EADB member states recognise the importance of providing a positive business environment and have taken the following steps during the year:

Kenya: Assessment and payment of stamp duties on starting a business has been expedited; the time for new electricity connections has been reduced through increased hiring of contractors for meter installation; property transfers have been expedited through electronic document handling and introduction of a standardized registration form at the Land Registry; the government has provided direct support for increased electricity generation, e.g. the \$698m Lake Turkana Wind Power project.

Rwanda: Starting a business has been simplified by eliminating the need for new companies to open a bank account in order to register for VAT; the issue of construction permits has been expedited through adopting a new building code and new urban planning regulations; access to credit information has been enhanced through extended borrower coverage and improved credit reporting; protection of minority shareholders has been improved; the tax system has been simplified through introduction of electronic tax filing; insolvency procedures have been improved through provisions on voidable transactions and additional safeguards for creditors in reorganization proceedings; the government has provided direct support to foreign direct investments, e.g. the \$23.7m solar field at Agahozo Shalom Youth Village.

Tanzania: Processing of export and import documents has been expedited through implementing the Tanzania Customs Integrated System (TANCIS), an online system for downloading and processing customs documents.

Uganda: Starting a business has been simplified through introducing an online system for obtaining a trading licence and by reducing business incorporation fees; new electricity connections have been expedited through increased deployment of customer service engineers and reduced time for inspection and meter installation; credit bureau services have been enhanced to provide extended borrower coverage and improved access to credit information.

1.2 ECONOMIC PROSPECTS

Global growth is projected to remain modest in 2016, at 3.1%, with 1.8% growth for advanced economies and 4.1% for emerging and developing economies. East Africa is expected to grow by 5.6%. Growth in emerging and developing economies will remain 2 percentage points below the average of the past decade. Growth stagnation is a reflection slow recovery in the advanced economies. China's shift away from manufacturing and investment to more consumption and services-led growth is expected to slow down the economy. Global inflation is expected to increase moderately as commodity prices start to pick up. The section below analyses the prospects for growth in the EAC.

ECONOMIC PROSPECTS IN EAST AFRICA

The average growth in East Africa is estimated to have declined to 4.1% in 2015. Growth is projected to grow by 5.6% in 2016 and at an average of 5.8% in medium term (Table 4). The slowdown in 2015 is mainly on account of anticipated recession in Burundi.

Burundi: Political uncertainties will continue to constrain economic growth in 2016, but a partial return to business as usual should see a rebound in economic activity by 3.9% in 2017. Better weather conditions, a more stable economic environment and an increase in global commodity prices should stimulate agricultural performance, although low productivity and insufficient access to finance will remain a constraint. The political situation remains a major risk to growth as output will stagnate or decline, should the political turmoil worsen. Furthermore, inflation will continue to rise in 2016 averaging 7.6% on account of rising food prices, but is expected to decline to 6.2% in 2017. Yet, the risks to inflation are biased upwards due to Burundi's vulnerability to international prices and unusual weather conditions.

Kenya: Growth is expected to remain above 6% in 2016 and in the medium term will be driven by on-going investment in infrastructure supported by increased domestic consumption, particularly in the services sector, and closer economic integration. Risks to growth are on the downside. According to the IMF, a potential increase in volatility of capital flows is the major downside risk. Other constraints include infrastructure bottlenecks, skills shortages, vulnerabilities in the banking system, and uncertainties about FDI in oil and gas exploration and possible spending pressure in the run-up to the 2017 presidential elections. Inflation is expected to be contained at an average of 6.3% in 2016 from 6.6% in 2015.



Table 4: Selected Economic Indicators

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Projections	
							2016	2017
GDP (Current Prices, USD Billions)								
Burundi	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.5	2.9	2.9	2.8	3.0
Kenya	40.0	42.0	50.4	54.9	60.9	61.4	64.7	69.1
Rwanda	5.7	6.4	7.2	7.5	7.9	8.3	8.5	9.1
Tanzania	31.1	33.6	39.1	44.4	48.1	44.9	45.9	49.5
Uganda	20.2	21.1	24.6	25.6	27.5	24.7	25.0	27.6
EAC total	99.0	105.3	123.7	135.0	147.3	142.2	146.8	158.2
GDP growth (constant prices)								
Burundi	5.1	4.0	4.4	4.5	4.7	-4.1	3.4	3.9
Kenya	8.4	6.1	4.6	5.7	5.3	5.6	6.0	6.1
Rwanda	7.3	7.8	8.8	4.7	7.0	6.9	6.3	6.7
Tanzania	6.4	7.9	5.1	7.3	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.7
Uganda	7.7	6.8	2.6	4.0	4.9	5.0	5.3	5.7
EAC average	7.0	6.5	5.1	5.2	5.8	4.1	5.6	5.8
GDP per capita (current prices, USD)								
Burundi	243	261	266	283	315	306	287	301
Kenya	1,039	1,062	1,239	1,314	1,417	1,388	1,422	1,477
Rwanda	570	628	688	700	717	732	732	762
Tanzania	726	765	870	969	1,029	942	944	998
Uganda	594	601	678	681	711	620	608	651
EAC average	634	664	748	790	838	798	799	838
Inflation (annual average)								
Burundi	6.5	9.6	18.2	7.9	4.4	5.6	7.6	6.2
Kenya	4.3	14.0	9.4	5.7	6.9	6.6	6.3	6.0
Rwanda	2.3	5.7	6.3	4.2	1.8	2.5	4.8	5.0
Tanzania	7.2	12.7	16.0	7.9	6.1	5.6	6.1	5.1
Uganda	4.0	18.7	14.0	4.8	4.6	5.8	6.7	5.9
Population (millions)								
Burundi	8.4	8.6	8.8	9.0	9.2	9.4	9.6	9.9
Kenya	38.5	39.5	40.7	41.8	42.9	44.1	45.2	46.4
Rwanda	10.0	10.2	10.5	10.8	11.1	11.4	11.7	12.0
Tanzania	42.8	43.9	44.9	46.3	47.7	49.1	50.6	52.1
Uganda	33.4	34.5	35.6	36.8	38.0	39.2	40.4	41.6
EAC total	133	137	141	145	149	153	158	162

Source: IMF WEO, April 2016

Rwanda: Over the medium term, growth prospects will remain in line with Rwanda's high potential at an average of 7%. Economic growth will be supported by robust performance across services, industry and agriculture. Growth will be bolstered by rising commodity prices particularly coffee and tea. The external outlook is subject to downside risks. A further decline of commodity prices or shocks affecting the tourism sector could result in lower growth. A worsening situation in Burundi could have implications in Rwanda as more refugees escape from the crisis.

Lower food and oil prices have been instrumental in containing inflation to 2.5% in 2015. Rising world commodity prices and high domestic demand will exert a little pressure on inflation in 2016.

Tanzania: The broad macroeconomic outlook is expected to remain strong at 6.9% in 2016. Growth will benefit from the positive terms of trade impact from lower oil prices. Manufacturing is expected to continue registering steady growth. The pass through from a weaker currency is expected to keep inflation slightly elevated into 2016.

Inflation will be contained at an average of 6.1% in 2016 up from 5.6% in 2015. Supply side factors, mainly food prices and exchange rate depreciation will be key drivers for inflation.

Uganda: Real economic growth is projected at 5.3% in 2016, and to average 6.1% over the medium term. Growth will be driven by increased public infrastructure investment, a recovery in domestic demand and increased private investment on account of monetary policy easing. A rebound in international commodity prices will also support trade. Key risks to growth include market volatility, especially regarding the exchange rate, bad weather and conflict in neighboring South Sudan. Inflation pressure will remain high in 2016 on account of high demand for imports and a weaker shilling.

1.3 RISKS AND CHALLENGES

The East African Community faces a challenging near-term outlook. So far the impact of low commodity prices have had a beneficial impact to EA, apart from in Rwanda. However, weakness in the financial sector and political instability (for some EAC states) pose challenges to growth. In a bid to address infrastructure challenges, the governments of the EAC member states will continue to invest heavily in energy and transport infrastructure to improve their business environments.

Weaknesses in Financial sector

Globally, the legacy of both the financial and euro area crises left international banks weak and higher global levels of public, corporate and household debt. This has constrained consumption in advanced economies and consequently exports from emerging and developing economies. As a result, private sector growth has typically slowed in East Africa and will continue to slow in the near-term.

Geopolitical tension and threats of terrorism

Growth weakened substantially in Burundi and South Sudan amid political instability and civil strife. Burundi and South Sudan went into a recession with real GDP growth declining by 4.1% and 0.2% respectively in 2015. In Burundi, the political uncertainties spurred an economic contraction hitting almost all sectors of the economy. As a result of decreased output, revenue collection has declined significantly. The situation in Burundi has delayed the negotiations to formalize Burundi's joining of EADB and has affected regional trade.

In Kenya, al-Shabab, a Somali based Islamist group which has carried out a string of attacks in recent years poses a major threat to the tourism sector. Failure to tackle security and ethnic tensions could erode support for the current administration.

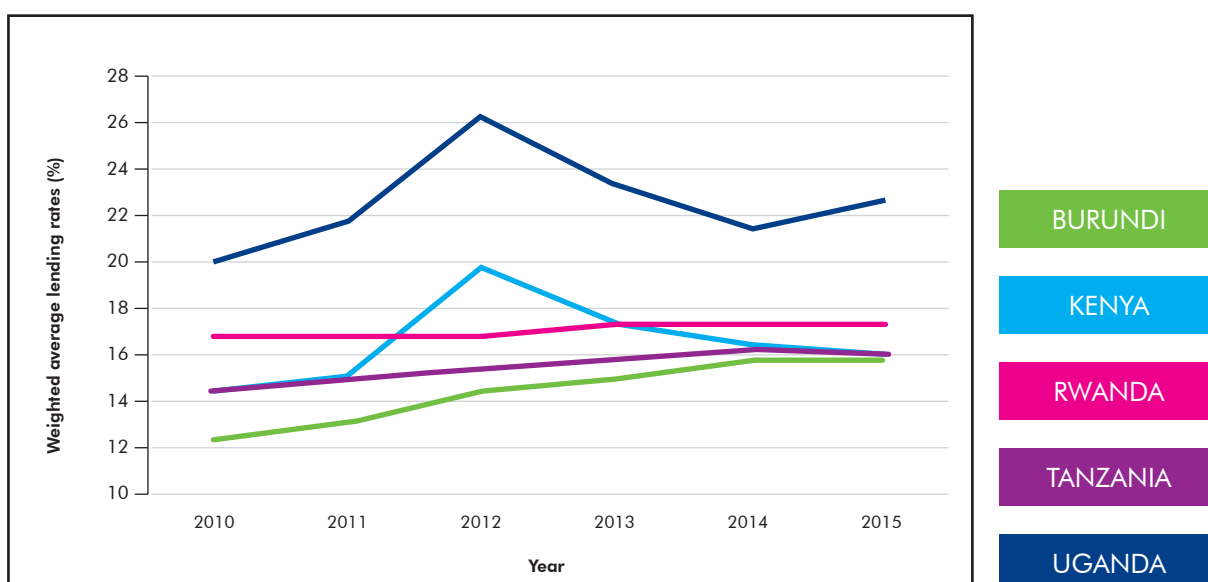


High interest rates in East Africa

Interest rates are always above the global norm in East Africa, but from 2011 Q4 to 2012 Q3 they jumped further above global rates, partly in response to elevated inflation. Banks were forced to maintain high interest rates to maintain positive real interests. However, interest rates remained elevated post the surge in inflation (see figure 9) as governments borrowed heavily on domestic markets to finance mounting fiscal deficits. High interest rates have constrained private sector credit growth (see table 5) as government borrowing, through raising interest rates, has priced many other players out of domestic capital markets. Equally, high interest rates led EADB to postpone the issuing of a regional domestic bond to finance its operations.

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Figure 9: Commercial Bank Average Lending rates in East Africa (%)



Source: EADB based on data from Central Banks

Table 5: Domestic Credit Growth

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Projections	
								2017
Burundi	25.75	25.27	12.76	7.62	17.76	-6.40	-18.10	4.00
Kenya	27.79	19.27	15.90	13.20	17.24	17.79	15.10	12.10
Rwanda	23.51	8.10	89.20	3.43	56.80	12.60	7.70	6.70
Tanzania	32.78	33.76	21.47	17.22	24.07	26.85	21.70	19.40
Uganda	68.05	27.15	7.66	10.86	27.06	17.60	13.00	15.10

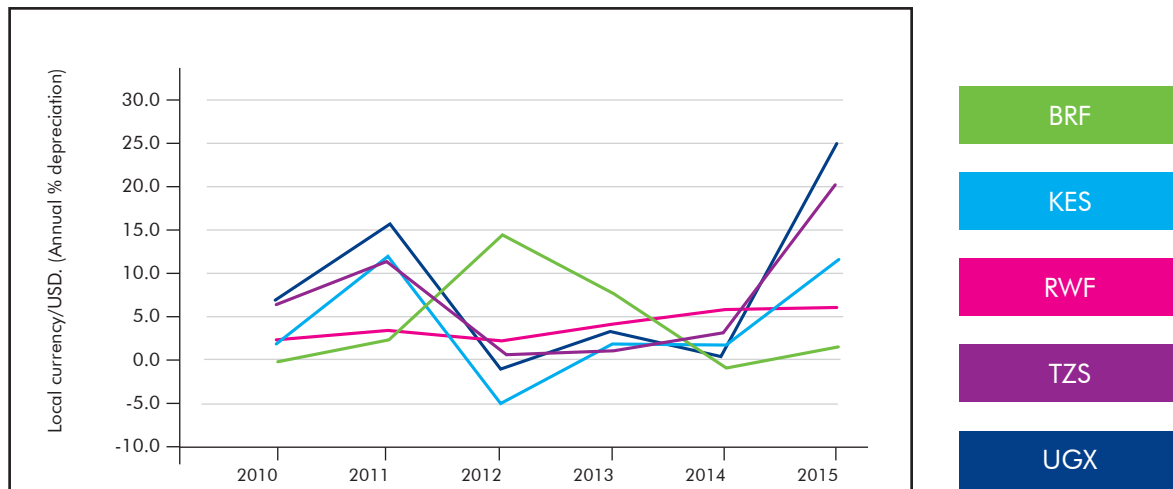
Source: Economist Intelligence Unit

High exchange rate volatilities

From the second half of 2014 and throughout 2015, the USD appreciated dramatically, forcing many emerging and developing market currencies to depreciate. Figure 10 shows significant depreciation of East African currencies against the USD. On average in 2015, the Ugandan shilling (UGX), Tanzania shilling (TZS) and Kenyan shilling (KES) depreciated by 24.7%, 20% and 12% annually respectively. Sizable external trade deficits and uncertainties leading to the general election in February 2016 could account for high depreciation of the UGX and to some extent of the TZS in 2015. Both the Rwandan Franc (RWF) and Burundian Franc (BIF) experienced modest depreciation of 6% and 2% respectively.

The currency depreciation implies that enterprises borrowing in foreign currency to finance projects whose cash flows (revenues) are in local currencies incur significant exchange rate losses when repaying in USD. The liquidity position and foreign currency debt service capacity of these firms is weakened. EADB typically raises funds internationally, in EUR and USD, and on-lends to enterprises in these currencies. Whilst the Bank is cushioned against exchange rate losses, the borrowing entities are exposed to exchange rate risks. The depreciation of local currencies has therefore suppressed demand for EADB loans, a factor that may also influence future demand.

Figure 10: Exchange rate movements against the USD (percentage change)



Source: EADB based on data from EAC Central Banks



OVERVIEW OF THE YEAR'S ACTIVITIES



2.1 LENDING OPERATIONS

In 2015, EADB approved USD 184 million of facilities, a 2.4 times increase on 2014, and disbursed USD 82 million, 2.1 times higher than in 2014. The number of facility approvals was 27, whilst disbursements were made on 25 facilities during the year.

Significant portfolio developments include EADB support for the state owned electricity utilities in Kenya and Tanzania, a participation in the Lake Turkana Wind Power project and lines of credit to financial intermediaries to support the financing of micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs).

Outstanding loans and advances increased by 52% over the course of the year from USD 106.7 million as at 31st December 2014 to USD 162 million as at 31st December 2015.

2.2 FOCUS AREAS

EADB lending operations were targeted on enterprises operating in the Bank's focus areas of food security, infrastructure, skills development, climate change and regional integration. Examples of EADB activities in each of these areas are provided in Box 2.

2.3 PARTNERSHIPS

The Bank has well-established relationships with key development partners.

The African Development Bank (AfDB) currently provides over USD 40 million of funding to EADB under lines of credit and provides technical assistance to support EADB capacity development under the Fund for Africa Private Sector Assistance (FAPA) programme. These facilities provide a high degree of flexibility to EADB in determining their appropriate use: AfDB lines of credit have been utilised to support a range of EADB lending operations, whilst FAPA funds have contributed to significant development of the Bank's policies and procedures, and enhancement of EADB operations, notably related to product developments, the assessment of development outcomes, and the development of its monitoring and evaluation capabilities.



Box 2. EADB Focus Areas

Food security: Under funding provided by KfW, EADB entered into an EUR 8 million 'Rural Finance Enhancement Programme' targeted at providing medium to long-term loans to financial institutions for on-lending to farmers and MSMEs in rural areas of Uganda. Final beneficiaries under the scheme include farmers, agricultural traders, fish mongers, community social service providers, house builders, transport operators, communication service providers and general business services. These activities have created significant employment opportunities as well as contributing to higher disposable incomes and improved infrastructure in the targeted rural areas.

Infrastructure: EADB continues to engage in regional infrastructure development, notably in the electricity sector, in which the Bank has significant exposure to the state-owned electricity utilities to support the extension of electricity supply and increased efficiency in electricity generation, particularly from renewable sources. The Bank has also engaged in the development of social infrastructure, such as the funding of schools and hospitals.

Skills development: EADB recognises the contribution of small and medium enterprises (SMEs) to economic growth, skills development and improved livelihoods. The Bank provides support to SMEs through lines of credit to financial intermediaries for on-lending to SME final beneficiaries. With its considerable experience of working with financial intermediaries in each of its member states, EADB is well placed to select partners with the capacity to support business and technical skills development as well as providing financial support.

Climate change: The Regional Collaboration Centre (RCC) Kampala, a collaboration between the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and EADB was established at EADB Headquarters in February 2013 as one of five global centres. The centre continues to operate as an UNFCCC/EADB partnership, working with governments, non-governmental organizations and private sector actors in Eastern and Southern African regarding the use of Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) tools. The centre also aims to increase the ability of these actors to participate effectively in the Paris Agreement through article 6 of the agreement and through implementation of climate change mitigation initiatives. In another climate change initiative, EADB commenced the application process to become an accredited Regional Implementing Entity (RIE) of the Green Climate Fund (GCF), which will enable the Bank to work with Member Country governments and private sector actors to access GCF funds for climate mitigation and adaptation activities.

Regional integration: EADB recognises the benefits of regional integration and supports trade reform efforts and regional infrastructure development as contributory measures towards increased intra-regional trade and balanced development. The Bank is involved in the financing of regional infrastructure projects and the promotion of mechanisms and institutions to support regional programmes and projects on behalf of its member states.

Other lines of credit are provided by the European Investment Bank (EUR 25 million) and the OPEC Fund for International Development (USD 15 million), both provided to support EADB lending to SMEs, and KfW for the purposes of supporting lending to MSMEs in rural areas. Also during 2015, EADB entered into an agreement with the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA) for a line of credit for USD 12 million to support private sector capital formation and entered into a cooperation agreement with the African Finance Corporation to collaborate in the promotion of trade finance in the EAC member states including the co-financing of transactions, financial risk sharing, project identification, preparation and appraisal, project monitoring and evaluation, and exchanging information on country risks and project analysis. Full details of the Bank's lines of credit are provided in Note 24 of the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2015.

As noted above, EADB continues to partner with the UNFCCC in hosting the RCC for East and Southern Africa. To date, activities have been focused on providing technical and procedural support for CDM projects and programmes of activities and facilitating access to finance and capacity development of government and private stakeholders. Following adoption of the Paris Agreement at the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties in December 2015, RCCs have been further mandated to support least developed countries in areas such as capacity building for the implementation of nationally determined contributions (NDCs) and nationally appropriate mitigation actions (NAMAs). The RCC has established partnerships with several international agencies such as GIZ, UNDP, the UNEP-DTU Partnership and IRENA, and sponsored over 15 regional and international capacity building events in 2015 with strategic support from EADB.

EADB continues its partnership with DLA Piper, a global law firm, towards strengthening capacity related to extractive industry contract negotiations in East Africa. This partnership takes the form of co-hosting workshops to train public sector lawyers and law professors on structuring and negotiating international commercial contracts and agreements. Three workshops took place during 2015 in Kigali, Rwanda (March 2015), in Kampala, Uganda (June 2015), and in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania (September 2015).

EADB also continues to collaborate with the Inter-University Council of East Africa (IUCEA) to promote enterprise evolution and growth through research and innovation, capacity building, and knowledge development/transfer for strengthening entrepreneurship and enterprise development in East Africa. In 2015, EADB and IUECA hosted an Academia Public Private Partnership Forum and Exhibition in October with the theme of 'Developing an Ideal Graduate for East Africa's Sustainable Socio-Economic Development'.

2.4 INTERNATIONAL CREDIT RATING

In June 2015, Moody's Investors Service announced their upgrade of EADB's long-term issuer rating to Baa3 with a stable outlook (from Ba1 previously). The main drivers for the upgrade were (i) a significant improvement in the Bank's capital buffer due to a material increase in paid-in capital by the Bank's shareholders, and (ii) a sharp decline in non-performing loans as a result of the Bank's sustained efforts to improve its loan portfolio quality.

2.5 TREASURY SERVICES AND MANAGEMENT

During 2015, EADB implemented its treasury activities in accordance with the provisions of Treasury Policies and Procedures under the supervision of the Assets and Liabilities Committee (ALCO). These operations mainly included investments, resource mobilization and hedging of currency risk exposures arising from its financing operations.

2.6 RISK MANAGEMENT

In 2015, the Bank continued to focus on managing risk exposures assumed in the normal course of providing development banking services. Over the year, EADB identified risks inherent in its business activities and systematically categorized these into five primary areas namely: credit; operational; market; liquidity; and compliance/legal risks. Subsequently, the Bank allocated these risks to three secondary generic categories comprising strategic, business and reputation risks. These stringent risk management practices contributed to consolidating the Bank's capital base and improving the credit quality of its loan portfolio.



Credit risk management is fundamental to the sustainability of EADB's lending activities. As in previous years, in 2015 the Bank managed its business in a way that is consistent with its risk appetite. Specifically, the EADB continued to be guided by its investment policy and credit risk professionals sanctioned new risk exposures; ensured all elements of post sanction fulfilment are completed in line with the terms of sanction; maintained robust systems, gathered data and submitted credit risk assessment reports within a clearly defined delegated authority.

With the financial support of the African Development Bank and technical support from Frankfurt School of Finance and Management, the EADB upgraded its Enterprise Risk Management Framework in 2015. This has helped the Bank to calibrate its approach to provide direction on understanding the principal risks in order to achieve its strategy, establish risk appetite and internally communicate its risk management framework.

The Bank has also received financial support from the African Development Fund (ADF), Technical Assistance Fund, towards the cost of the East African Development Support Project to develop a 'web based Credit Knowledge Management Software'. This constitutes Phase II of the ERM Project. The system will enable EADB to capture, analyze and assess the credit risk of existing and future clients customized to EADB policies and procedures, which can be accessed on a real-time basis from web browsers and mobile tablets. The system provides a repository to manage, share and update knowledge, centralize assessments across the whole portfolio and to support the loan officers at various stages.

2.7 ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Throughout 2015, EADB sustained its efforts to develop its internal policies, processes and systems. Notable developments included: drafting of an ERM framework (see above); a review of EADB products, assessment of development outcomes, and monitoring and evaluation system; the drafting of updated policy documents, procedures manuals, legal templates and job descriptions; and initial steps in the development of a customised human resources information system to improve data management and operational efficiency in the department.

GOVERNANCE AND CORPORATE AFFAIRS



3.1 GOVERNING COUNCIL

The Governing Council, comprising of the Ministers responsible for Finance from each of the Bank's member States, is the supreme governing authority of the Bank. The Governing Council met once, on 10th April 2015, to discharge its duties. During the meeting the Council undertook the following:

- Adopted the EADB Annual Report for the year 2014 and commended management and staff for the good performance;
- Appointed PriceWaterhouseCoopers (PWC) as external auditors of the Bank for the year 2015;
- Admitted the Republic of Burundi to Membership of the EADB;
- Agreed to increase the authorised share capital of EADB to USD 2.16 billion from USD 1.08 billion. The increase in the authorised share capital of EADB will consist of 80,000 new shares at par value of 13,500 each. The 100% increase in the authorised share capital of EADB is intended to cater for the Republic of Burundi's admission and to increase the "class B" authorised shareholding such that the "class B" shareholding is maintained at 10% of total authorised shares in line with EADB's Charter and Governing Council resolutions;
- Agreed to waive generally all immunities of the EADB in respect of the line of credit agreement with the AfDB; and
- Provided guidance on equity subscription and allotment of shares and progress on the establishment of the Multinational Umoja Bond.

3.2 ADVISORY PANEL

The Advisory Panel comprises of eminent persons in international finance who provide the Bank with strategic guidance during formal sessions held alongside the meetings of the Governing Council. The current Advisory Panel members are; Mr. Lars Ekengren, Mr. Mahesh K. Kotecha, Mr. Jannik Lindbaek and Mr. Toyoo Gyohten.

3.3 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Bank's Board of Directors is required to meet at least once every quarter to conduct the business of the Bank. Indeed, the Board of Directors met four times in 2015 to undertake the following:

- Noted the progress made to establish the East African Development Fund.
- Noted the progress made in institutional capacity building with respect to: (a) enhancement of operations; (b) reinforcement of risk operations; (c) review of policies and procedures and (d) training of staff;
- Congratulated the Bank's management and KPMG on the excellent work done in assessing the Bank's internal controls and on their transparency in reporting areas of improvement;
- Reviewed the PWC valuation of the Bank and recommended the discounted cash flow method as the primary valuation approach to provide a benchmark for negotiations and to determine the required equity contribution from the Republic of Burundi.



The Board also tabled recommendations to the Governing Council for approval:

- The Bank's financial statements for the year ending 31st December 2014, as presented by Bank management and external auditors;
- The EADB Amendment Bill, which incorporates the Charter Amendments to Articles 3, 4, 24, 44 and 45 into relevant legislations so that the Government of Uganda may ensure that the Bank's privileges and immunities are recognised and observed;
- Appointment of the recommended external auditors for 2015;
- Noted the equity subscription; as at 31st December 2014, the total shareholders' equity was USD 219.4 million. The Government of Uganda completed its capital subscription under programme II, whilst other countries' capital subscriptions were also recognised.
- Noted that Bank struggled to attain affordable long-term financing between 2011 and 2014 following the Blue Line litigation. Furthermore, high interest rates have delayed the listing of local currency bonds and the exemption of withholding tax may impact the marketability of the Umoja bond. The Bank enjoys strong shareholder support which accounted for 75% of its total funding in 2014;
- The Bank's budget for the year 2016; and
- The following policy documents:
 - (a) economic and sector classification limits;
 - (b) enterprise-wide risk management; and
 - (c) compliance and pricing policy.

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



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The directors submit their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015, which disclose the state of affairs of East African Development Bank (“EADB” or “the Bank”).

INCORPORATION

The Bank was created under the Treaty for the East African Co-operation of 1967, which was subsequently amended and re-enacted as the Treaty and Charter of the East African Development Bank in 1980.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the Bank is development finance lending under the Bank’s Charter.

RESULTS

The results for the year are set out on page 38 of the financial statements.

DIVIDEND

The directors do not recommend the payment of dividends for the year (2015: Nil).

DIRECTORATE

The Directors who served during the year are set out on page viii of this report.

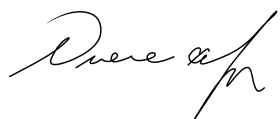
AUDITOR

The Bank’s auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers, has indicated willingness to continue in office.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved at a meeting of the Board of Directors and Governing Council held on 20 March 2016.

By order of the Board



Director

2016

East African Development Bank Statement of Directors' Responsibilities
For the year ended 31 December 2015



The directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, comprising the statement of financial position at 31 December 2015, statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and the notes to the financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, and in the manner required by the Bank's Charter.

The directors accept responsibility for the financial statements set out on pages 38 to 96 which have been prepared using appropriate accounting policies supported by reasonable and prudent judgments and estimates, in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards and the Bank's Charter. The directors are of the opinion that the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Bank and of its performance for the year ended 31 December 2015. The directors further accept responsibility for the maintenance of accounting records that may be relied upon in the preparation of financial statements, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The directors have made an assessment of the Bank's ability to continue as a going concern and have no reason to believe the Bank will not be a going concern for the twelve months from the date of this statement.

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements, as indicated above, were approved by the board of directors and Governing council on 20 March 2016 and were signed on its behalf by:

Chairperson: 

Director General: 

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO THE MEMBERS OF EAST AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

4.1 REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of East African Development Bank (“the Bank”) as set out on pages 38 to 96. These financial statements comprise the statement of financial position at 31 December 2015, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

Directors’ Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and in the manner required by the Treaty and Charter of the East African Development Bank (the “Bank’s Charter”), and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor’s responsibility

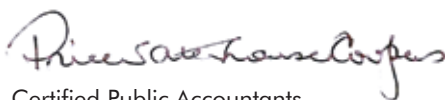
Our responsibility is to express an independent opinion on the financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance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

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

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Bank at 31 December 2015 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.



Certified Public Accountants
Kampala, Uganda
2016



4.2 STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Notes	2015 USD'000	2014 USD'000
Interest income	3	17,572	15,142
Interest expense	4	(3,817)	(2,753)
Net interest income		13,755	12,389
Fee and commission income	5	544	772
Net foreign exchange gains/(losses)	6	(971)	(656)
Other operating income	7	2,003	3,713
Net fair value gain on investment property	21	50	1,472
Net fair value gain on financial assets at fair value	18	(31)	201
Net fair value (losses)/ gains on equity investments at fair value	19	(230)	2
Net operating income		15,120	17,893
Increase in provision for impairment of loans and lease receivables	16(a)	(1,038)	(332)
Operating income after impairment charges		14,082	17,561
Employee benefits expense	8	(4,165)	(4,119)
Depreciation and amortization	21	(671)	(613)
Other operating expenses	9	(2,569)	(3,009)
Profit before income tax	10	6,677	9,820
Income tax expense	11	-	-
Profit for the year		6,677	9,820
Other comprehensive income			
Revaluation surplus on land and buildings	22	-	8,052
Total comprehensive income		6,677	17,872
Earnings per share-Basic	12	500	788
Earnings per share-diluted	12	500	787

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4.3 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Notes	2015 USD'000	2014 USD'000
ASSETS			
Cash at bank	13	4,922	10,306
Deposits due from commercial banks	14	177,491	142,095
Investment security held to maturity	15	378	644
Loans and lease receivables	16	161,985	106,750
Derivative financial instruments	18	-	108
Equity investments at fair value	19	483	713
Other assets	20	1,122	860
Investment property	21	19,185	18,688
Property, plant and equipment	22	15,146	14,261
Total assets		380,712	294,425
LIABILITIES			
Derivative financial instruments	18	32	-
Other liabilities	23	1,898	2,039
Borrowings	24	125,141	58,282
Special funds	25	3,990	3,990
Grants	26	3,186	3,244
Capital fund	27	7,479	7,479
Total liabilities		141,726	75,034
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Share capital	28	185,787	173,097
Share premium	28	3,309	3,084
Funds awaiting allotment	29	105	102
Special reserve	30	11,783	11,030
Fair value reserve	31	496	566
Revaluation reserves	33	8,002	8,052
Retained earnings		29,504	23,460
Total shareholders' equity		238,986	219,391
Total shareholders' equity and liabilities		380,712	294,425
Off balance sheet items and contingencies	38	5,606	6,229

The financial statements set out on pages 38 to 96 were approved by the Board of Directors on 20 March 2016 and were signed on its behalf by:

Chairperson:



Director General:





4.4 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Share capital USD '000	Share premium USD '000	Special reserves USD '000	Funds awaiting allotment USD '000	Fair value reserve USD '000	Retained earnings USD '000	Revaluation reserve USD '000	Total equity USD '000
Year ended 31 December 2014								
At start of year	152,159	2,532	10,624	2,081	475	14,137	-	182,007
Comprehensive income								
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	9,820	-	9,820
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluation surplus on land and buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,052	8,052
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	9,820	8,052	17,872
Transactions with owners recorded directly in equity								
Transfer to special reserve	-	-	406	-	-	(406)	-	-
Receipts from shareholders	-	-	-	19,511	-	-	-	19,511
Issue of shares	20,938	552	-	(21,490)	-	-	-	-
Transfer to fair value reserve	-	-	-	-	91	(91)	-	-
At end of year	173,097	3,084	11,030	102	566	23,460	8,052	219,391

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4.4 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Share capital USD '000	Share premium USD '000	Special reserves USD '000	Funds awaiting allotment USD '000	Fair value reserve USD '000	Retained earnings USD '000	Revaluation reserve USD '000	Total equity USD '000
Year ended 31 December 2015								
At start of year	173,097	3,084	11,030	102	566	23,460	8,052	219,391
Comprehensive income								
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	6,677	-	6,677
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluation surplus on land and buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	6,677	-	6,677
Transactions with owners recorded directly in equity								
Transfer to special reserve	-	-	753	-	-	(753)	-	-
Receipts from shareholders	-	-	-	12,918	-	-	-	12,918
Issue of shares	12,690	225	-	(12,915)	-	-	-	-
Revaluation reserve	-	-	-	-	-	50	(50)	-
Transfer to fair value reserve	-	-	-	-	(70)	70	-	-
At end of year	185,787	3,309	11,783	105	496	29,504	8,002	238,986



4.5 STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Note	2015 USD'000	2014 USD'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Interest receipts		15,538	13,161
Interest payments		(3,252)	(2,743)
Net fee and commission receipts		1,075	1,150
Other income received		816	1,590
Payments to employees and suppliers		(10,293)	(8,426)
Cash outflows from operating activities		3,884	4,732
Net receipts from loans and advances		(57,290)	(9,063)
Net other receipts from customers		1,185	2,877
Settlement of other liabilities		(286)	(537)
Settlement of medium and long term borrowings		(17,000)	(7,860)
Exchange gains		1,683	1,427
Net cash generated from operating activities		(67,824)	(8,424)
Investing activities			
Purchase of property and equipment		(8,433)	(2,024)
Deposits with Banks		62,898	(21,882)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		-	16
Net cash used in investing activities		54,465	(23,890)
Financing activities			
Receipts from member states towards share capital	28,29	12,918	19,511
Borrowings		82,284	15,808
Net cash generated from financing activities		95,202	35,319
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		81,843	3,005
Cash and cash equivalent at the start of the year		90,007	88,429
Exchange losses		(1,683)	(1,427)
At end of year	32	170,167	90,007

4.6 NOTES

1 REPORTING ENTITY

East African Development Bank (the “Bank”) is a regional bank established under the Bank’s Charter of 1980 with its current membership comprising the four East African Countries of Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania and Rwanda with its head office in Kampala, Uganda. The Bank is primarily involved in development finance lending and the provision of related services as stipulated under its Charter.

The Bank’s principal office address is:

Plot 4 Nile Avenue
EADB Building
P. O. Box 7128
Kampala, Uganda

For purposes of the Bank’s Charter, the profit and loss statement is represented by the Statement of Comprehensive Income and the balance sheet by the Statement of Financial Position in these financial statements.

2 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

a) Basis of preparation

The Bank’s financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. Additional information required by the Charter is included where appropriate. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for available-for-sale financial assets, financial assets and financial liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss, all derivative contracts and investment properties, which have been measured at fair value. The financial statements have been presented in United States dollars rounded off to the nearest thousand (USD ‘000).

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires the directors to exercise judgement in the process of applying the Bank’s accounting policies. Changes in assumptions may have a significant impact on the financial statements in the period the assumptions are changed. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note 34.

b) Changes in accounting policy and disclosures

(i) New and amended standards adopted by the bank

The following standards and amendments have been applied by the bank for the first time for the financial year beginning 1 January 2015:

Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2010-2012 and 2011-2013 cycles. The following amendments are effective 1 July 2014:-

- IFRS 2 – clarifies the definition of ‘vesting condition’ and now distinguishes between ‘performance condition’ and ‘service condition’
- IFRS 3 – clarifies that an obligation to pay contingent consideration is classified as financial liability or equity under the principles in IAS 32 and that all non-equity contingent consideration (financial and non-financial) is measured at fair value at each reporting date.
- IFRS 3 – clarifies that IFRS 3 does not apply to the accounting for the formation of any joint arrangement
- IFRS 8 – requires disclosure of the judgements made by management in aggregating operating segments and clarifies that a reconciliation of segment assets must only be disclosed if segment assets are reported.
- IFRS 13 confirms that short-term receivables and payables can continue to be measured at invoice amounts if the impact of discounting is immaterial.



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- IFRS 13 – clarifies that the portfolio exception in IFRS 13 (measuring the fair value of a group of financial assets and financial liabilities on a net basis) applies to all contracts within the scope of IAS 39 or IFRS 9
- IAS 16 and IAS 38 – clarifies how the gross carrying amount and accumulated depreciation are treated where an entity measures its assets at revalued amounts
- IAS 24 – where an entity receives management personnel services from a third party (a management entity), the fees paid for those services must be disclosed by the reporting entity, but not the compensation paid by the management entity to its employees or directors.
- IAS 40 – clarifies that IAS 40 and IFRS 3 are not mutually exclusive when distinguishing between investment property and owner-occupied property and determining whether the acquisition of an investment property is a business combination.

Amendments to IAS 19, 'Defined Benefit Plans: Employee Contributions'. Effective 1 July 2014. The amendments clarify the accounting for defined benefit plans that require employees or third parties to contribute towards the cost of the benefits. Under the previous version of IAS 19, most entities deducted the contributions from the cost of the benefits earned in the year the contributions were paid. However, the treatment under the 2011 revised standard was not so clear. It could be quite complex to apply, as it requires an estimation of the future contributions receivable and an allocation over future service periods. To provide relief, changes were made to IAS 19. These allow contributions that are linked to service, but that do not vary with the length of employee service (eg a fixed % of salary), to be deducted from the cost of benefits earned in the period that the service is provided. Therefore many entities will be able to (but not be required) continue accounting for employee contributions using their existing accounting policy.

The adoption of the improvements made in the 2012-2012 cycle has required additional disclosures in the segment note. Other than that, the adoption of these amendments did not have any impact on the current period or any prior period and is not likely to affect future periods.

(ii) New standards and interpretations early adopted

The bank has elected to adopt the following two amendments early

Amendments to IAS 1, 'Presentation of Financial Statements': The amendments are made in the context of the IASB's Disclosure Initiative, which explores how financial statement disclosures can be improved. The amendments, effective 1 January 2016, provide clarifications on a number of issues, including:

- Materiality – an entity should not aggregate or disaggregate information in a manner that obscures useful information. Where items are material, sufficient information must be provided to explain the impact on the financial position or performance.
- Disaggregation and subtotals – line items specified in IAS 1 may need to be disaggregated where this is relevant to an understanding of the entity's financial position or performance. There is also new guidance on the use of subtotals.
- Notes – confirmation that the notes do not need to be presented in a particular order.
- OCI arising from investments accounted for under the equity method – the share of OCI arising from equity-accounted investments is grouped based on whether the items will or will not subsequently be reclassified to profit or loss. Each group should then be presented as a single line item in the statement of other comprehensive income.

According to the transitional provisions, the disclosures in IAS 8 regarding the adoption of new standards/accounting policies are not required for these amendments.

As these amendments merely clarify the existing requirements, they do not affect the bank's accounting policies or any of the disclosures.

(iii) Standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards that are not yet effective and have not been early adopted by the Bank

A number of new standards and amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 January 2015, and have not been applied in preparing these financial statement. None of these is expect-

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ed to have a significant effect on the financial statements of the bank, except the following set out below.

IFRS 9, 'Financial instruments', addresses the classification, measurement and recognition of financial assets and financial liabilities. The complete version of IFRS 9 was issued in July 2014. It replaces the guidance in IAS 39 that relates to the classification and measurement of financial instruments. IFRS 9 retains but simplifies the mixed measurement model and establishes three primary measurement categories for financial assets: amortised cost, fair value through OCI and fair value through P&L. The basis of classification depends on the entity's business model and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset. Investments in equity instruments are required to be measured at fair value through profit or loss with the irrevocable option at inception to present changes in fair value in OCI not recycling. There is now a new expected credit losses model that replaces the incurred loss impairment model used in IAS 39.

For financial liabilities there were no changes to classification and measurement except for the recognition of changes in own credit risk in other comprehensive income, for liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss. IFRS 9 relaxes the requirements for hedge effectiveness by replacing the bright line hedge effectiveness tests. It requires an economic relationship between the hedged item and hedging instrument and for the 'hedged ratio' to be the same as the one management actually use for risk management purposes. Contemporaneous documentation is still required but is different to that currently prepared under IAS 39. The standard is effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018. Early adoption is permitted. The bank is assessing IFRS 9's full impact and the process should be complete by the end of 2016.

IFRS 15, 'Revenue from contracts with customers' deals with revenue recognition and establishes principles for reporting useful information to users of financial statements about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from an entity's contracts with customers. Revenue is recognised when a customer obtains control of a good or service and thus has the ability to direct the use and obtain the benefits from the good or service. The standard replaces IAS 18 'Revenue' and IAS 11 'Construction contracts' and related interpretations. The standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018 and earlier application is permitted. The bank is assessing the impact of IFRS 15 and should complete this process by the end of 2016.

IAS 16, 'Property, plant and equipment', and IAS 41, 'Agriculture', These amendments change the financial reporting for bearer plants, such as grape vines, rubber trees and oil palms. The IASB decided that bearer plants should be accounted for in the same way as property, plant and equipment because their operation is similar to that of manufacturing. Consequently, the amendments include them within the scope of IAS 16, instead of IAS 41. The produce growing on bearer plants will remain within the scope of IAS 41. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016. This amendment will not impact the financial statements of the Bank.

IAS 27, 'Separate financial statements'. These amendments allow entities to use the equity method to account for investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates in their separate financial statements. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016. This amendment will not impact the financial statements of the Bank.

IFRS 10, 'Consolidated financial statements' and IAS 28, 'Investments in associates and joint ventures'. These amendments address an inconsistency between the requirements in IFRS 10 and those in IAS 28 in dealing with the sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture. The main consequence of the amendments is that a full gain or loss is recognised when a transaction involves a business (whether it is housed in a subsidiary or not). A partial gain or loss is recognised when a transaction involves assets that do not constitute a business, even if these assets are housed in a subsidiary. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016.

IAS 1, 'Presentation of financial statements' These amendments are as part of the IASB initiative to improve presentation and disclosure in financial reports. Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016.



Annual improvements 2014. These set of amendments, effective 1 January 2016, impacts 4 standards:

- **IFRS 5, 'Non-current assets held for sale and discontinued operations' regarding methods of disposal.**
- **IFRS 7, 'Financial instruments: Disclosures', (with consequential amendments to IFRS 1) regarding servicing contracts.**
- **IAS 19, 'Employee benefits' regarding discount rates.**
- **IAS 34, 'Interim financial reporting' regarding disclosure of information**

There are no other IFRSs or IFRIC interpretations that are not yet effective that would be expected to have a material impact on the bank.

c) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the Bank's financial statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Bank operates ('the functional currency'). These financial statements are presented in United States Dollars (USD), which is the Bank's functional currency. Except as indicated, the financial information has been rounded off to the nearest a thousand.

Assets and liabilities expressed in various currencies are translated into US Dollars at rates of exchange ruling at the Statement of Financial Position date. Transactions during the year are converted at exchange rates ruling at the transaction date. The resulting differences from the conversion and translation of all transactions and balances are dealt with in the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the period in which they arise.

d) Segment reporting

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision-maker (CODM). The CODM, which is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments, has been identified as the Bank's board of directors.

e) Revenue recognition

(i) Interest income and expense

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset or a financial liability and of allocating the interest income or interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument or, when appropriate, a shorter period to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. When calculating the effective interest rate, the Bank estimates cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument (for example, prepayment options) but does not consider future credit losses. The calculation includes all fees and points paid or received between parties to the contract that are an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and all other premiums or discounts.

Once a financial asset or a group of similar financial assets has been written down as a result of an impairment loss, interest income is recognised using the rate of interest used to discount the future cash flows for the purpose of measuring the impairment loss.

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

Interest income and expense presented in the Statement of Comprehensive Income includes interest on financial assets and liabilities at amortised cost on an effective interest rate basis.

(ii) Fees and commission income

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

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Other fees and commission income including account servicing fees are recognized as the service is performed.

(iii) Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive dividends is established.

(iv) Other income

Other income comprises of gains less loss related to trading assets and liabilities, and includes all realised and unrealized fair value changes, and interest.

f) Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The cost of self-constructed assets includes the cost of materials and direct labour, any other costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to a working condition for its intended use, and the costs of dismantling and removing the items and restoring the site on which they are located. Purchased software that is integral to the functionality of the related equipment is capitalised as part of that equipment.

Freehold land and buildings are measured at fair value less accumulated depreciation on buildings and impairment losses recognised at the date of revaluation. Valuations are performed with sufficient frequency to ensure that the fair value of a revalued asset does not differ materially from its carrying amount.

Revaluation surplus

In accordance with IAS 16, the nature of revaluation surplus results from valuation of assets with significant changes in fair value. The fair value of land and buildings is usually determined from market-based evidence by appraisal that is done by professionally qualified valuers after every three years.

Changes in fair value are recognized in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity under revaluation surplus

A revaluation surplus is recorded in other comprehensive income and credited to the asset revaluation reserve in equity. However, to the extent that it reverses a revaluation deficit of the same asset previously recognised in profit or loss, the increase is recognised in profit and loss. A revaluation deficit is recognised in profit or loss, except to the extent that it offsets an existing surplus on the same asset recognised in the asset revaluation reserve.

An annual transfer from the asset revaluation reserve to retained earnings is made for the difference between depreciation based on the revalued carrying amount of the asset and depreciation based on the asset's original cost.

Additionally, accumulated depreciation as at the revaluation date is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset and the net amount is restated to the revalued amount of the asset. Upon disposal, any revaluation reserve relating to the particular asset being sold is transferred to retained earnings.

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis, at annual rates estimated to write off the cost or valuation of the assets over their estimated useful lives.

Management and directors review the residual value and useful life of an asset at the year end and any change considered to be appropriate in accounting estimate is recorded through the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of the property and equipment on a straight-line basis over the expected useful lives of the assets concerned. The rates for depreciation used are as follows:

Buildings	5.0%
Motor vehicles	25.0%
Office equipment	10.0% - 25.0%
Furniture	12.5%

Gains and losses on disposal of property and equipment are determined by reference to their carrying amount and are



taken into account in determining the result for the year.

g) Intangible assets

Computer software costs which are clearly identifiable and controlled by the Bank and have probable benefits exceeding the costs beyond one year are recognised as an intangible asset. Intangible assets are stated at cost net of accumulated amortization and impairment losses.

Subsequent expenditure on software is capitalized only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in specific assets to which it relates. All other expenditure is expensed as incurred.

Amortization is recognized in Statement of Comprehensive Income on a straight line basis over an estimated useful life of software from the date that it is available for users. The estimated useful life of the software is four years.

h) Leases

Bank is the lessee

(i) Operating leases

Leases in which a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by another party, the lessor, are classified as operating leases. Payments, including pre-payments, made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease. The total payments made under operating leases are charged to 'other operating expenses' on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease. When an operating lease is terminated before the lease period has expired, any payment required to be made to the lessor by way of penalty is recognised as an expense in the period in which termination takes place.

(ii) Finance leases

Leases of assets where the Bank has substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised at the lease's commencement, at the lower of the fair value of the leased property and the present value of the minimum lease payments. Each lease payment is allocated between the liability and finance charges so as to achieve a constant rate on the finance balance outstanding. The corresponding rental obligations, net of finance charges, are included in deposits from banks or deposits from customers depending on the counter party. The interest element of the finance cost is charged to profit or loss over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period.

Bank is the lessor

When assets are held subject to a finance lease, the present value of the lease payments is recognised as a receivable. The difference between the gross receivable and the present value of the receivable is recognised as unearned finance income. Lease income is recognised over the term of the lease using the net investment method (before tax), which reflects a constant periodic rate of return. The leases entered into by the Bank are primarily finance leases.

i) Capital work-in-progress

Assets in the course of construction (capital work-in-progress) are not depreciated. Upon completion of the project the accumulated cost is transferred to an appropriate asset category where it is depreciated according to the policy.

j) Financial assets and financial liabilities

(i) Financial assets

The Bank classifies its financial assets in the following categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, loans and receivables and held-to-maturity financial assets. The directors determine the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition. The Bank uses trade date accounting for regular way contracts when recording financial asset transactions.

(a) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

This category comprises two sub-categories: financial assets classified as held for trading, and financial assets

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designated by the Bank as at fair value through profit or loss upon initial recognition.

A financial asset is classified as held for trading if it is acquired or incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing it in the near term or if it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking.

Derivatives are also categorised as held for trading unless they are designated and effective as hedging instruments. All derivatives are carried as assets when fair value is positive and as liabilities when fair value is negative.

The Bank designates certain financial assets upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss (fair value option). This designation cannot subsequently be changed and can only be applied when the following conditions are met:

- the application of the fair value option reduces or eliminates an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise or
the financial assets are part of a portfolio of financial instruments which is risk managed and reported to senior management on a fair value basis or
- the financial assets consist of debt host and an embedded derivatives that must be separated.
- Financial instruments included in this category are recognised initially at fair value; transaction costs are taken directly to profit or loss. Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are included directly in profit or loss and are reported as 'Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments classified as held for trading'. Interest income and expense and dividend income and expenses on financial assets held for trading are included in 'Net interest income' or 'Dividend income', respectively. Fair value changes relating to financial assets designated at fair value through profit or loss are recognised in 'Net gains on financial instruments designated at fair value through profit or loss'.

(b) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market, other than:

- a. those that the Bank intends to sell immediately or in the short term, which are classified as held for trading, and those that the Bank upon initial recognition designates as at fair value through profit or loss;
- b. those that the Bank upon initial recognition designates as available-for-sale; or
- c. those for which the holder may not recover substantially all of its initial investment, other than because of credit deterioration.

Loans and receivables are initially recognised at fair value – which is the cash consideration to originate or purchase the loan including any transaction costs – and measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Advances to projects in exchange for shares in the project Company that are recoverable at the higher of amounts advanced plus a fixed rate of return or a valuation of the shares are classified as loans and advances with embedded equity derivatives.

The bank assesses whether the fair value of the embedded derivative is material for bifurcation on initial recognition and at the reporting date. Where the fair value is deemed material, it is reflected in the financial statements. Otherwise no accounting entries are made.

The host contract is accounted for initially at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost using the market rate of interest applicable to similar instruments in similar currencies.

(c) Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturities that the directors have the positive intention and ability to hold to maturity, other than:

- a. those that the Bank upon initial recognition designates as at fair value through profit or loss;
- b. those that the Bank designates as available-for-sale; and



- c. those that meet the definition of loans and receivables.

Held-to-maturity investments are initially recognised at fair value including direct and incremental transaction costs and measured subsequently at amortised cost, using the effective interest method.

(ii) Financial liabilities

The Bank's holding in financial liabilities represents mainly medium and long term borrowings and other liabilities. Such financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

(iii) Determination of fair value

For financial instruments traded in active markets, the determination of fair values of financial instruments is based on quoted market prices or dealer price quotations.

A financial instrument is regarded as quoted in an active market if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis. If the above criteria are not met, the market is regarded as being inactive. Indicators that a market is inactive are when there is a wide bid-offer spread or significant increase in the bid-offer spread or there are few recent transactions.

For all other financial instruments, fair value is determined using valuation techniques. In these techniques, fair values are estimated from observable data in respect of similar financial instruments, using models to estimate the present value of expected future cash flows or other valuation techniques, using inputs (for example, LIBOR yield curve, FX rates, volatilities and counterparty spreads) existing at the reporting dates.

The Bank uses widely recognised valuation models for determining fair values of non-standardised financial instruments of lower complexity, such as options or interest rate and currency swaps. For these financial instruments, inputs into models are generally market-observable.

For more complex instruments, the Bank uses internally developed models, which are usually based on valuation methods and techniques generally recognised as standard within the industry. Valuation models such as present value techniques are used primarily to value derivatives transacted in the over-the-counter market, unlisted debt securities (including those with embedded derivatives) and other debt instruments for which markets were or have become illiquid. Some of the inputs to these models may not be market observable and are therefore estimated based on assumptions. The impact on net profit of financial instrument valuations reflecting non-market observable inputs (level 3 valuations) is disclosed in Note 35.

(iv) Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to receive the cash flows from these assets have ceased to exist or the assets have been transferred and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the assets are also transferred (that is, if substantially all the risks and rewards have not been transferred, the Bank tests control to ensure that continuing involvement on the basis of any retained powers of control does not prevent derecognition). Financial liabilities are derecognised when they have been redeemed or otherwise extinguished.

(v) Reclassification

The Bank may choose to reclassify a non-derivative financial asset held for trading out of the held-for-trading category if the financial asset is no longer held for the purpose of selling it in the near-term. Financial assets other than loans and receivables are permitted to be reclassified out of the held for trading category only in rare circumstances arising from a single event that is unusual and highly unlikely to recur in the near-term. In addition, the Bank may choose to reclassify financial assets that would meet the definition of loans and receivables out of the held-for-trading or available-for-sale categories if the Bank has the intention and ability to hold these financial assets for the foreseeable future or until maturity at the date of reclassification.

Reclassifications are made at fair value as of the reclassification date. Fair value becomes the new cost or amortised cost as applicable, and no reversals of fair value gains or losses recorded before reclassification date are subsequently made. Effective interest rates for financial assets reclassified to loans and receivables and held-to-maturity categories are determined at the reclassification date. Further increases in estimates of cash flows

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adjust effective interest rates prospectively.

On reclassification of a financial asset out of the 'at fair value through profit or loss' category, all embedded derivatives are re-assessed and, if necessary, separately accounted for.

(vi) Derivative instruments

The Bank uses derivative instruments in its portfolios for asset/liability management, and risk management. These instruments are mainly cross-currency swaps and interest rate swaps. The derivatives are used to manage exposure to currency risk which arises when the Bank issues loans in the local currencies of member states out of predominantly USD denominated borrowings. The interest component of the derivatives is reported as part of interest income and expense.

The Bank classifies all derivatives as held-for-trading and these are measured at fair value, with all changes in fair value recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

Derivatives embedded in other financial instruments or other non-financial host contracts are treated as separate derivatives when their risks and characteristics are not closely related to those of the host contract and the host contract is not carried at fair value with unrealised gains or losses reported in profit or loss. Where material, such derivatives are separated from the host contract and measured at fair value with unrealised gains and losses reported in the statement of comprehensive income.

(vii) Offsetting

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Bank has a legal right to set off the recognised amounts and it intends either to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Income and expenses are presented on a net basis only when permitted under IFRSs.

(viii) Classes of financial instruments

The Bank classifies the financial instruments into classes that reflect the nature of information and take into account the characteristics of those financial instruments. The classification made can be seen in the table as follows:



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Category (as defined by IAS 39)		Class (as determined by the Bank)		Subclasses
Financial assets	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	Financial assets held for trading	Debt securities	
			Equity securities	
			Derivatives – non-hedging	
		Financial assets designated at fair value through profit or loss	Debt securities	
			Equity securities	
			Loans and advances to banks	
			Loans and advances to customers	
		Loans and receivables	Loans and advances to banks	
	Loans to projects		Large corporate customers	
			SMEs	
Held-to-maturity Investments	Investment securities - debt securities		Others	
			Listed	
			Unlisted	
Financial liabilities	Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	Financial liabilities held for trading (derivatives - non hedging only)		
		Designated at fair value through profit or loss - Debt securities in issue		
	Financial liabilities at amortised cost	Deposits from banks		
		Debt securities in issue		
		Convertible bonds		These are additional classes of financial liabilities at amortised cost
		Subordinated debt		
Off-balance sheet financial Instruments	Loan commitments			
	Guarantees, acceptances and other financial facilities			

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k) Impairment of non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the Bank's assets are reviewed at each Statement of Financial Position date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If such a condition exists, the assets' recoverable amount is estimated and an impairment loss recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income whenever the carrying amount of an asset exceeds the recoverable amount.

l) Identification and measurement of impairment

At each Statement of Financial Position date the Bank assesses whether there is objective evidence that financial assets not carried at fair value through profit or loss are impaired. Financial assets are impaired when objective evidence demonstrates that a loss event has occurred after the initial recognition of the asset, and that the loss event has an impact on the future cash flows on the asset that can be estimated reliably.

The Bank considers evidence of impairment at both a specific asset and collective level. All individually significant financial assets are assessed for specific impairment. All significant assets found not to be specifically impaired are then collectively assessed for any impairment that has been incurred but not yet identified. Assets that are not individually significant are then collectively assessed for impairment by grouping together financial assets (carried at amortised cost) with similar risk characteristics.

- objective evidence that financial assets (including equity securities) are impaired can include:
- significant financial difficulty of the issuer or obligor;
- a breach of contract, such as default or delinquency in interest or principal repayments;
- the Bank granting to the borrower, for economic or legal reasons relating to the borrowers financial difficulty, a concession that the lender would not otherwise consider;
- it becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganization;
- the disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulties; or
- observable data indicating that there is a measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows from a group of financial assets since the initial recognition of those assets, although the decrease cannot yet be identified with the individual financial assets in the group, including:
 - adverse changes in the payment status of borrowers in the group; or
 - National or local economic conditions that correlate with defaults on the assets in the group.

In assessing collective impairment, the Bank determines a loss ratio using historical financial information. Loss ratio is determined as total impairment as a fraction of total loans and lease receivables. This loss ratio maybe adjusted depending on management's judgement of the current economic and credit conditions. The loss ratio is then applied to those loans and lease receivables that have not been assessed for specific impairment.

Impairment losses on assets carried at amortised cost are measured as the difference between the carrying amount of the financial assets and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the assets' original effective interest rate. Losses are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income and reflected in an allowance account against loans and advances. Interest on the impaired asset continues to be recognised through the unwinding of the discount.

When a subsequent event causes the amount of impairment loss to decrease, the impairment loss is reversed through the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

Loans and advances are shown at gross amount adjusted for any provision for impairment losses. A provision for loan impairment is established if there is objective evidence that the Bank will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original contract terms of the loans. The amount of the provision is the difference between the carrying amount and the estimated recoverable amount. When a loan is deemed uncollectible, it is written off against the related provision for impairment. Subsequent recoveries are credited to the provision for loan losses in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.



m) Fiduciary assets

Assets held in a fiduciary capacity are not treated as assets of the Bank in the Statement of Financial Position.

n) Offsetting

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset and the net amount reported in the Statement of Financial Position where there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the Bank intends to either settle on a net basis, or realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

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

o) Borrowings

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, being their issue proceeds (fair value of consideration received) net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently stated at amortised cost; any difference between proceeds net of transaction costs and the redemption value is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method charges on borrowings are accrued when they are incurred.

p) Provisions

A provision is recognised if, as a result of a past event, the Bank 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. 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

Where the Bank expects a provision to be reimbursed, for example under an insurance contract, the reimbursement is recognised as a separate asset but only when the reimbursement is virtually certain.

q) a) Retirement obligations

The Bank operates a defined contribution retirement benefit scheme to which employees contribute 10% of their basic salary and the Bank contributes 10%, 12.5% or 15% of the employees' basic salary depending on his/her length of service. The Bank complies with member states regulations with respect to social security contributions where applicable.

A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Bank pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. The Bank has no legal or constructive obligations to pay further contributions if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods.

A defined benefit plan is a pension plan that is not a defined contribution plan. Typically defined benefit plans define an amount of pension benefit that an employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent on one or more factors, such as age, years of service and compensation.

The Bank's contributions to the scheme are charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the year in which they are made. Costs relating to early retirement are charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the year in which they are incurred.

b) Service gratuity

The Director General is entitled to contract gratuity equivalent to 20% of the annual gross salary. Gratuity is accounted for on an accruals basis. An accrual for the amount payable is made each year and is charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

c) Other entitlements

The estimated monetary liability for employees' accrued annual leave entitlement at the reporting date is recognised as an expense accrual.

r) Investment properties

Properties held for long-term rental yields that is not occupied by the Bank is classified as investment properties.

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Certain properties of the Bank consist of a portion that is held for rental and a portion used for administrative purposes or occupied by Bank staff. In respect to such properties, portions that are held for rental yields or capital appreciation and can be leased or sold separately have been accounted for as investment property.

The properties held purely for rental yields have been classified under investment property. When the use of property changes from owner occupied to investment property, the property is re-measured at fair value and reclassified as investment property. Any gain arising on revaluation is recognized through other comprehensive income. Any loss arising on revaluation is recognized through the surplus or deficit.

s) Grants

Grants are recognised at their fair value where there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and all attaching conditions will be complied with.

When the grant relates to an expense item, (revenue grant) it is recognised as income over periods necessary to match the grant on a systematic basis to the costs that it is intended to compensate.

Where the grant relates to an asset, (capital grant) it is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on a systematic basis over the expected useful life of the relevant asset.

t) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise of cash with Banks held as demand and time deposits with original maturities of less than 90 days.

u) Contingent liabilities

Letters of credit acceptances and guarantees are accounted for as Off Balance Sheet items and described as contingent liabilities. Estimation of the outcome and financial effect of contingent liabilities is made by management based on the information available up to the date the financial statements are approved for issue by the directors. Any expected loss is charged to the statement of comprehensive income.

v) Taxation

No provision is made for taxation as the Bank is exempt from income tax under Article 49 of the Bank's Charter.

w) Dividends

Dividends on ordinary shares are charged to equity in the period in which they are declared. Proposed dividends are shown as a separate component of equity until declared.

x) Comparatives

Where necessary, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation in the current year.



3. INTEREST INCOME

	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000
Interest income on loans to projects		
Interest income on unimpaired loans	10,422	9,179
Interest income on impaired loans	398	144
Interest income from lease rentals		
Interest income on unimpaired lease receivables	162	237
Interest income on impaired lease receivables	51	15
Income on loans to banks	3	10
Income from investment security held to maturity	66	107
Interest income from short term deposits	6,470	5,449
	17,572	15,142

4. INTEREST EXPENSE

	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000
Interest on loans from banks	94	445
Interest on medium and long term borrowings	1,482	571
Interest on letters of credit	2,241	1,737
	3,817	2,753

The above table represents the worst case scenario of credit risk exposure to the Bank as at 31 December 2015 and 2014, without taking account of any collateral held or other credit enhancements attached. For on-statement of financial position assets, their respective carrying amounts represent the bank's maximum exposure to credit risk.

Management is confident in its ability to continue to control and sustain minimal exposure of credit risk to the Bank resulting from both its loan and advances portfolio:

- The Bank exercises stringent controls over the granting of new loans;
- 99% (2014: 98%) of the loans and advances portfolio are neither past due nor impaired;
- All loans and advances are backed by collaterals except loans to banks.

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5. NET FEE AND COMMISSION INCOME

	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000
Gross fees and commission income		
Appraisal fees	753	406
Other fees and commission income	154	212
Asset leasing income on purchase options & penalties	7	204
Commission from letters of credit	2	11
Commitment fees	113	101
Other fees	137	106
	1,166	1,040
Gross fees and commission expense		
Commission charges	(473)	(102)
Commitment fees	(110)	(166)
Other fees and commission expense	(39)	-
	(622)	(268)
Net fee and commission income	544	772

6. NET FOREIGN EXCHANGE LOSSES

	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000
Net losses on foreign currency transactions and revaluation	(971)	(656)

7. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000
Rental income	673	654
Dividend income	99	67
Recovery of previously written off loans	1,186	2,877
(Loss)/gain on disposal of property and equipment (Note 22)	(1)	9
Grant income (Note 26)	56	218
Other income on asset leasing	3	17
Write (off)/back of other liabilities	(14)	(129)
	2,003	3,713

**8. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS EXPENSE**

	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000
Salaries and wages	2,847	2,844
Pension and gratuity (Note 36)	348	346
Other staff costs	970	929
	4,165	4,119

9. OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000
Rental expense	109	136
Staff duty travel	143	119
Directors expenses	162	130
Insurance	305	338
Advertising and publicity	94	375
Legal fees	538	305
Staff training, seminars and workshops	-	17
Repairs and maintenance	78	263
Computer software expenses	170	136
Other IT related expenses	9	16
Internal/special audit costs	60	66
Statutory audit fees	54	42
Consultancy fees	192	366
Subscription to professional bodies	11	19
Other administrative expenses	644	681
	2,569	3,009

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10. PROFIT BEFORE INCOME TAXES

	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000
Profit before income tax is stated after charging the following:		
Directors emoluments:		
- Fees and allowances	70	62
- Other expenses	92	68
Depreciation and amortization of intangible assets and grants	671	673
Impairment of loans and advances	1,038	332
Employee benefits expense (Note 8)	4,165	4,119
Auditors remuneration	54	42

11. TAXATION

In accordance with Article 49 of the Bank's Charter, the Bank, its property, other assets, income and its operations and transactions are exempt from all taxation and custom duties within member states.

12. EARNINGS PER SHARE – BASIC AND DILUTED

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the net profit for the year attributable to ordinary shareholders by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year.

Diluted earnings per share is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of ordinary shares for the number of shares not yet issued but for which payments have been received by the Bank.

	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000
Net profit attributable to ordinary shareholders	6,677	9,820
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue and paid up during the year (Note 28)	13,347	12,461
Basic earnings per share	500	788
Dilutive number of ordinary shares	8	8
Total issued and dilutive shares	13,355	12,469
Diluted earnings per share	500	787

Dilutive shares represent the number of shares generated from funds awaiting allotment (Note 29).

**13. CASH AT BANK**

	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000
Bank deposits	4,922	10,306

14. DEPOSITS DUE FROM COMMERCIAL BANKS

	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000
Deposits with banks in member states	177,491	142,095
Analysed by maturity		
Amounts due within 3 months	172,260	113,958
Amounts due after 3 months	5,231	28,137
	177,491	142,095

The weighted average effective interest rate on deposits due from banks was 4.72 % (2014: 4.22%).

15. INVESTMENT SECURITY HELD TO MATURITY

	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000
UGX Corporate bond – Housing Finance Bank Uganda Limited	378	644

The interest rate for the bond, which is denominated in Uganda Shillings, is fixed at 13.5% per annum with remaining maturity period of 2.5 years.

16. LOANS AND LEASE RECEIVABLES

	2015 USD'000	2014 USD'000
Loans and advances (net)	160,350	104,951
Finance lease receivables (net)	1,635	1,799
	161,985	106,750
Loans to projects	163,392	110,326
Finance lease receivables	1,659	2,418
Staff loans	26	26
Gross loans	165,077	112,770
Impairment losses on loans and advances (Note 16a)	(3,092)	(6,020)
Net carrying amounts	161,985	106,750

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Included within loans to projects is financing amounting to USD 1.8 million (2014: USD 2.027 million) extended to projects in exchange for shares in the borrower companies acquired at terms under which the shares are redeemable by the borrower company at the higher of a valuation of the shares or the amount invested plus a guaranteed minimum annual rate of return. Such financing is accounted for as loans and receivables. The directors have assessed the fair value of the embedded equity derivative within these instruments and concluded that it is not material and as such it has not been accounted for in these financial statements.

a) Loan impairment charges

	2015 USD' 000		Total	2015 USD' 000		Total
	Identified allowance for impairment	Collective allowance for impairment		Identified allowance for impairment	Collective allowance for impairment	
At start of year	4,456	1,564	6,020	4,336	1,418	5,754
Reversal of impairment	(731)	(42)	(773)	(651)	(35)	(686)
Increase in impairment allowances	924	887	1,811	837	181	1,018
Other adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loan impairment charge for the year	193	846	1,038	186	146	332
Amounts written off during the year	(3,966)	-	(3,966)	(66)	-	(66)
Other adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	-
At end of year	683	2,409	3,092	4,456	1,564	6,020

b) Finance lease receivables

	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000
Gross lease rentals within one year	178	784
Gross lease rentals after one year but before five years	1,684	1,865
	1,862	2,649
Unearned future finance income on finance leases	(203)	(228)
	1,659	2,421
Less: impairment losses		
Identified	-	(595)
Unidentified	(25)	(26)
	1,634	1,800
Analysed by maturity:		
Not later than 1 year	172	189
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	1,462	1,611
	1,634	1,8



17. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Management has determined the operating segments based on information reviewed by the board of directors for the purpose of allocating resources and assessing performance.

The board of directors considers the business from both a geographic and product perspective. Geographically, the board considers the performance in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania and Rwanda.

The reportable operating segments derive their revenue primarily from lending to foster development through various products such as project loans, leases and equity.

The board assesses the performance of the operating segments based on a measure of gross loans and advances to customers, portfolio quality, approvals, disbursements and profit. The measure also excludes the effects of unrealised gains/ losses on financial instruments. Interest expenditure is not allocated to segments, as this type of activity is part of managing the cash position of the bank by treasury.

The segment information provided to the board of directors for the reportable segments for the year ended 31 December 2015 is as follows:

a) Loan exposure

	Gross Balances		Net Balances	
	USD mns	Percent	USD mns	Percent
By country				
Uganda	52	31%	50	31%
Kenya	53	32%	52	32%
Tanzania	31	19%	30	19%
Rwanda	30	18%	29	18%
Total region	165	100%	162	100
Exposure by product				
Long term loans	147	89%	145	89%
Medium term loans	6	4%	6	4%
Short term loans	8	5%	8	5%
Loans sub-total	162	98%	159	98%
Loans with equity features	2	1%	2	1%
Asset Lease	2	1%	2	1%
Total all products	165	100%	162	100%

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b) Portfolio quality

	Gross portfolio USD mns	Percent	Net Portfolio USD mns	Percent
Performing Portfolio				
Normal	149	90.15	147	90.50
Watch	15	9.10	15	8.93
	164	99.25	161	99.43
Non-Performing Portfolio				
Substandard	1	0.73	1	0.57
Doubtful	-	-	-	-
Loss	0	0.02	0	-
	1	0.75	1	0.57
	165	100	162	100

c) Approvals and disbursements

	2015 Actual (USD M)	Approvals 2014 Actual (USD M)	2015 Actual (USD M)	Disbursements 2014 Actual (USD M)
By country:				
Uganda	52	23	19	10
Kenya	47	40	31	20
Tanzania	56	13	20	-
Rwanda	29	-	13	8
	184	76	82	38
By product:				
Loans	183	76	81	38
Asset leasing	1	-	1	-
Equity	-	-	-	-
	184	76	82	38

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d) Comprehensive income

	Uganda USD '000s	Kenya USD '000s	Tanzania USD '000s	Rwanda USD '000s	Head Office USD '000s	Total USD '000s
Interest income	3,939	4,076	1,535	1,484	6,538	17,572
Interest expense	-	-	-	-	(3,817)	(3,817)
Net interest income	3,939	4,076	1,535	1,484	2,721	13,755
Fee and commission income	401	353	210	142	(561)	544
Net foreign exchange losses	-	-	-	-	(971)	(971)
Other operating income	501	32	756	-	713	2,003
Fair value gain on investment property	13	-	37	-	-	50
Net gains/(losses) on equity investments held at fair value	-	(51)	(179)	-	-	(230)
Net losses on financial assets held at fair value	-	-	-	-	(31)	(31)
Total operating income	4,854	4,410	2,359	1,626	1,871	15,120
Reduction in provisions for loan impairment & lease receivables	341	(272)	(91)	-	(1,016)	(1,038)
Operating income after impairment charges	5,195	4,138	2,268	1,626	855	14,082
Employee benefits expense	(246)	(360)	(274)	(133)	(3,152)	(4,165)
Depreciation and amortization	-	(5)	(39)	(22)	(605)	(671)
Other operating expenses	(1)	(145)	(106)	(89)	(2,228)	(2,569)
Profit before income tax	4,948	3,628	1,849	1,382	(5,130)	6,677
Income tax expense	-	-	-	-	-	-
Profit for the year	4,948	3,628	1,849	1,382	(5,130)	6,677
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income	4,789	3,628	1,849	1,382	(5,130)	6,677

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e) Financial position

	Uganda USD '000s	Kenya USD '000s	Tanzania USD '000s	Rwanda USD '000s	Head office USD '000s	Total USD '000s
ASSETS						
Cash at bank	-	1,272	22	9	3,619	4,922
Deposits due from commercial banks	-	-	-	-	177,491	177,491
Investment securities held to maturity	-	-	-	-	378	378
Loans and lease receivables	50,225	52,253	30,179	29,328	-	161,985
Equity investments	-	100	383	-	-	483
Other assets	-	-	12	42	1,068	1,122
Investment properties	16,727	-	2,458	-	-	19,185
Property and equipment	12,854	1,067	1,216	9	-	15,146
Total assets	79,806	54,692	34,270	29,388	182,556	380,712
LIABILITIES						
Other liabilities	-	11	-	-	1,887	1,898
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	-	-	32	32
Borrowings	-	-	-	-	125,141	125,141
Special funds	-	-	-	-	3,990	3,990
Grants	-	-	-	-	3,186	3,186
Capital fund	-	-	-	-	7,479	7,479
Total liabilities	-	11	-	-	141,715	141,715
CAPITAL AND RESERVES						
Share capital	-	-	-	-	185,787	185,787
Share premium	-	-	-	-	3,309	3,309
Funds waiting allotment	-	-	-	-	105	105
Special reserve	-	-	-	-	11,783	11,783
Fair value reserve	-	-	-	-	496	496
Retained earnings	-	-	-	-	29,504	29,504
Revaluation reserves	-	-	-	-	8,002	8,002
Total shareholders' equity	-	-	-	-	238,986	238,986
Total shareholders' equity and liabilities	-	11	-	-	380,701	380,712

The segment information provided to the board of directors for the reportable segments for the year ended 31 December 2014 is as follows:



f) 2014 loan exposure

	Gross Balances USD mns	Percent	Net Balances USD mns	Percent
By country:				
Uganda	41	36	39	36
Kenya	30	27	29	27
Tanzania	20	18	17	16
Rwanda	22	19	22	21
Total region	113	100	107	100
By product:				
Long term loans	93	83	88	82
Medium term loans	11	10	11	10
Short term loans	4	3	4	4
Loans sub-total	108	96	103	96
Equity	2	2	2	2
Asset Lease	2	2	2	2
Total All Products	113	100	107	100

g) 2014 portfolio quality

	Gross portfolio USD mns	Per cent	Net Portfolio USD mns	Per cent
Performing portfolio				
Normal	105	93	103	97
Watch	6	6	3	3
	111	99	107	100
Non-performing portfolio				
Substandard	-	-	-	-
Doubtful	-	-	-	-
Loss/Receivership	2	1	-	-
	2	1	-	-
	113	100	107	100

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h) 2014 approvals and disbursements

	Approvals		Disbursements	
	2014 Actual (USD mns)	2013 Actual (USD mns)	2014 Actual (USD mns)	2013 Actual (USD mns)
By country:				
Uganda	23	20	10	9
Kenya	40	39	20	5
Tanzania	13	13	-	10
Rwanda	-	20	8	14
	76	92	38	39
By product:				
Loans	76	92	38	38
Asset leasing	-	-	-	1
Equity	-	-	-	-
	76	92	38	39

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d) Comprehensive income

	Uganda USD '000s	Kenya USD '000s	Tanzania USD '000s	Rwanda USD '000s	Head Office USD '000s	Total USD '000s
Interest income	3,576	2,843	1,593	1,563	5,567	15,142
Interest expense	-	-	-	-	(2,753)	(2,753)
Net interest income	3,576	2,843	1,593	1,563	2,814	12,389
Fee and commission income	321	312	177	225	(263)	772
Net foreign exchange losses	266	(650)	(359)	(1)	88	(656)
Other operating income	1,427	33	59	(1)	2,195	3,713
Fair value gain in investment property	-	-	442	-	1,030	1,472
Net gains/(losses) on financial assets held at fair value	147	116	12	-	(72)	203
Total operating income	5,737	2,654	1,924	1,786	5,792	17,893
Reduction in provision for impairment of loans and lease receivables	204	30	(594)	250	(222)	(332)
Operating income after impairment charges	5,941	2,684	1,330	2,036	5,570	17,561
Employee benefits expense	(232)	(279)	(246)	(130)	(3,232)	(4,119)
Depreciation and amortization	-	(18)	(60)	(28)	(507)	(613)
Other operating expenses	(2)	(124)	(135)	(91)	(2,657)	(3,009)
Profit before income tax	5,707	2,263	889	1,787	(826)	9,820
Income tax expense						
Profit for the year	5,707	2,263	889	1,787	(826)	9,820
Other comprehensive income	-	805	1,610	-	5,637	8,052
Total comprehensive income	5,707	3,068	2,499	1,787	4,811	17,872



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i) 2014 financial position

ASSETS	Uganda USD '000s	Kenya USD '000s	Tanzania USD '000s	Rwanda USD '000s	Head Office USD '000s	Total USD '000s
Cash at bank	-	31	-	-	10,275	10,306
Deposits due from commercial banks	-	-	-	-	142,095	142,095
Investment securities held to maturity	-	-	-	-	644	644
Loans and lease receivables	38,996	29,557	16,285	21,912	-	106,750
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	-	-	108	108
Equity investments	-	151	562	-	-	713
Investment properties	-	-	3,947	-	14,741	18,688
Other assets	-	-	-	-	860	860
Property and equipment	-	1,120	2,834	5	10,302	14,261
Total assets	38,996	30,859	23,628	21,917	179,025	294,425
LIABILITIES						
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	2,039	2,039
Borrowings	-	-	-	-	58,282	58,282
Special funds	-	-	-	-	3,990	3,990
Grants	-	-	-	-	3,244	3,244
Capital fund	-	-	-	-	7,479	7,479
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	75,034	75,034
CAPITAL AND RESERVES						
Share capital	-	-	-	-	173,097	173,097
Share premium	-	-	-	-	3,084	3,084
Funds awaiting allotment	-	-	-	-	102	102
Special reserve	-	-	-	-	11,030	11,030
Fair value reserve	-	-	-	-	566	566
Revaluation reserves	-	-	-	-	8,052	8,052
Accumulated profit	-	-	-	-	23,460	23,460
Total shareholders' equity	-	-	-	-	219,391	219,391
Total shareholders' equity and liabilities	-	-	-	-	294,425	294,425



18. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Derivatives are financial instruments that derive their value in response to changes in interest rates, financial instrument prices, commodity prices, foreign exchange rates, credit risk and indices. The entered into deposit transactions with counter parties which have been identified to have similar characteristics with derivative financial instruments. In previous years, these transactions had been recognised in the financial statements as deposits and lending. In the current year, the directors have estimated the fair value of all derivatives, with all fair value gains and losses recognised in the statement of comprehensive income. The table below analyses the notional principal amounts and the positive (assets) and negative (liabilities) fair values of the Bank's derivative financial instruments. Notional principal amounts are the amount of principal underlying the contract at the reporting date. The fair values of derivative financial assets and financial liabilities at 31 December 2015 and 2014 were as follows:

	Notional principal amounts USD' 000s	Fair value Assets USD' 000s	Fair value Liabilities USD' 000s
Cross currency derivative contracts – 31 December 2015	1,536	1,525	1,557
Cross currency derivative contracts – 31 December 2014	5,267	192	84

The table below shows the movement in fair value of financial assets during the year and fair value included in the statement of comprehensive income

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
Derivative asset	108	72
Fair value loss (gain) on embedded financial instruments	(140)	36
	(32)	108

The net fair value losses/gains on financial assets held at fair value in the statement of comprehensive is analysed as follows:

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
Fair value (loss)/ gains on loans with equity options	109	163
Fair value (losses)/gain on derivative financial instruments	(140)	36
Gains/(losses) on investments exited	-	2
At end of year	(31)	201

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19. EQUITY INVESTMENTS AT FAIR VALUE

The Bank has advanced financing in the form of equity in exceptional cases where the project is assessed to have a significant impact on the community and its development but where the equity participation is necessary for improving the capital structure of the company or where the sponsors are unable to raise additional equity to enable the borrower operate on a commercially sound footing. Usually these are companies, which have substantial development impact but whose cash flows cannot support continuous repayments for long term loans. These investments are reported at their fair values in accordance with the Bank's accounting policies.

The table below shows the movement in fair values of equity investments:

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
At start of year	713	711
Fair value (loss) / gain	(230)	2
At end of year	483	713

20. OTHER ASSETS

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
Local debtors	134	65
Deferred bond issue costs	265	254
Other receivables	723	540
	1,122	860

21. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
Valuation at start of year	18,688	17,216
Additions	447	-
Net fair value gains	50	1,472
Valuation at end of the year	19,185	18,688



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An independent valuation of the bank's land and buildings was performed by professional valuers Knight Frank Limited and Africa Property Limited to determine the fair value of the land and buildings as at 31 December 2015 based on estimated open market values. Properties that are held by the bank for generation of rental income have been classified under Investment property as per note 21 and 22. Land and buildings occupied by the bank for administrative use is classified under the property, plant and equipment (Note 22).

Rental income from investment properties during the year ended 31 December 2015 totalled USD 615,379 (2014 USD 589,291). Direct operating expenses totalling USD 27,992 (2014: USD 22,692) which consisted of USD 26,862 (2014: USD 4,538) in expenses for rented and USD 1,130 (2014: USD 18,154) for unrented investment properties.

As at 31 December 2015, the Board had approved USD 4,469,436 (2014: USD 3,019,001) of future expenditure for the development and enhancement of investment property. Of this, USD 3,626,984 (2014: USD 2,271,549) is contractually committed. The majority of this was spent in year ended 31 December 2015.

The following table analyses the non-financial assets carried at fair value, by valuation method. The different levels have been defined as follows:

- Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1).
- Inputs for the year ended 31 December 2015 other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (Level 2).
- Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (Level 3).

	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1) USD '000s	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2) USD '000s	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) USD '000s	Totals USD '000s
DECEMBER 2015				
Investment property - Land	-	13,967	-	13,967
Investment property - Buildings	-	5,218	-	5,218
PPE - Land	-	7,827	-	7,827
PPE - Buildings	-	5,295	-	5,295
Total assets	-	32,307	-	32,307
DECEMBER 2014				
Investment property - Land	-	13,820	-	13,820
Investment property - Buildings	-	4,868	-	4,868
PPE - Land	-	7,827	-	7,827
PPE - Buildings	-	5,295	-	5,295
Total assets	-	31,811	-	31,811

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22. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Land and building	Capital Work in progress	Office equipment	Motor vehicles	Furniture & fittings	Total
	USD' 000s	USD' 000s	USD' 000s	USD' 000s	USD' 000s	USD' 000s
Year ended December 2014						
Opening net book value	2,044	2,249	95	307	212	4,906
Additions	20	2,024	12	-	261	2,317
Revaluation surplus	8,052	-	-	-	-	8,052
Transfers from WIP	3,317	(3,712)	110	-	-	(285)
Depreciation charge	(373)	-	(50)	(129)	(61)	(613)
Retirements:						
Cost	-	-	(527)	-	(291)	(818)
Depreciation	-	-	504	-	199	703
Disposals:						
Cost	-	-	(6)	-	(25)	(31)
Depreciation	-	-	6	-	24	30
Net Book Value as at 31 December 2014	13,059	561	144	178	319	14,261
Year ended December 2015						
Opening net book value	13,059	561	144	178	319	14,261
Additions	-	2,067	902	-	127	3,096
Transfers from WIP	-	(1,537)	-	-	-	(1,537)
Depreciation charge	(448)	-	(53)	(110)	(60)	(671)
Retirement:						
Cost	-	-	(60)	-	(108)	(168)
Depreciation	-	-	57	-	108	165
NBV as at 31 December 2015	12,611	1,091	990	68	386	15,146
NBV as at 31 December 2014	13,059	561	144	178	319	14,261


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	2015 USD' 000s	2014 USD' 000s
Cost	7,954	7,954
Accumulated depreciation	(3,344)	(2,946)
Net book amount	4,610	5,008

23. OTHER LIABILITIES

	2015 USD' 000s	2014 USD' 000s
Deposits on leased assets	185	78
Advances from customers	79	166
Staff payables	10	28
Rent received in advance	27	25
Administrative accruals	501	497
Deferred income	535	606
Tenant deposits	168	187
Other creditors	393	452
	1,898	2,039

24. BORROWINGS

	2015 USD' 000s	2014 USD' 000s
Lines of credit with multi-lateral development banks	93,569	40,445
Lines of credit with other Financial Institutions	31,572	17,818
Loans with commercial banks	-	19
	125,141	58,282
Maturity analysis of loans		
Amounts payable within one year	30,372	18,014
Amounts payable after one year but within five years	15,253	17,709
Amounts payable after five years	79,516	22,559
	125,141	58,282

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	2015 USD' 000s	2014 USD' 000s
By lender		
African Development Bank	30,000	-
Commercial Bank Of Africa Limited	19,531	-
Commercial Bank Of Africa Limited	9,766	-
African Development Bank	10,369	14,517
Development Bank Of South Africa	1,064	3,192
Dfcu Bank Limited	1,928	-
European Investment Bank	2,465	2,913
European Investment Bank	3,500	3,500
European Investment Bank	3,830	-
European Investment Bank	1,597	-
European Investment Bank	699	-
European Investment Bank	2,845	-
European Investment Bank	5,470	-
European Investment Bank	1,704	-
KfW	5,442	-
KfW	1,657	-
European Investment Bank	1,796	-
Nordic Development Fund	5,677	6,645
Opec Fund For International Develop	15,000	9,500
Development Bank Of Kenya Ltd	-	2,144
Commercial Bank Of Africa Limited	-	11,038
Dfcu Bank Limited	-	4,505
Subtotal for borrowings	<u>124,340</u>	<u>57,954</u>
Interest payable	801	328
Total borrowings	125,141	58,282


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	Tenor (years)	Interest rate (%)	Fixed/ variable	Currency
BY LENDER:				
African Development Bank	10	4.1	Variable	USD
Commercial Bank Of Africa Limited	1	11.5	Fixed	KES
Commercial Bank Of Africa Limited	1	20.0	Fixed	KES
African Development Bank	14	1.6	Variable	USD
Development Bank Of South Africa	10	2.6	Variable	USD
dfcu Bank Limited	3	18.0	Variable	UGX
European Investment Bank	7	2.7	Variable	USD
European Investment Bank	7	2.7	Variable	USD
European Investment Bank	7	9.2	Fixed	KES
European Investment Bank	7	9.4	Fixed	KES
European Investment Bank	7	8.3	Fixed	RWF
European Investment Bank	5	8.6	Fixed	UGX
European Investment Bank	7	10.3	Fixed	TZS
European Investment Bank	6	9.3	Fixed	UGX
KfW	9	8.0	Fixed	UGX
KfW	9	8.0	Fixed	UGX
European Investment Bank	7	9.4	Fixed	KES
Nordic Development Fund	30	0.8	Fixed	EUR
Opec Fund For International Develop	7	3.5	Variable	USD
Development Bank Of Kenya Ltd	1	1.0	Fixed	USD
Commercial Bank Of Africa Limited	2	12	Fixed	KES
dfcu Bank Limited	3	15	Variable	UGX

The weighted average effective interest rate on borrowings was 5.78% (2014: 5.42%). The bank has not given any security for the borrowings and has not defaulted on any of them.

More information regarding the currency, maturity and contractual repricing rates for the bank's borrowings are shown in Note 35.

25. SPECIAL FUNDS (NORWEGIAN/EADB FUND)

	2015 USD' 000s	2014 USD' 000s
At start and end of year	3,990	3,990

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Norwegian/ EADB fund

This fund was created out of a 1986/7 grant of NOK 30 million by the Norwegian Government to the Government of Uganda towards rehabilitation of Ugandan industries. Under the grant agreement, the bank was allowed to use a portion of interest paid on the loans to cover administrative expenses. Any balance of interest on loans and other interest earned on funds made available under the agreement was to accrue to a special fund to be managed by the Bank. The special fund was to be used for certain expenditure including; a) payments to consultants and experts, b) strengthening the bank's administrative capacity, c) technical assistance, d) loans on concessionary terms, e) or any other purpose agreed by the government of Norway and the Bank. The agreement is silent on the use of capital repayments. Consultations are underway with the Norwegian Government to determine the utilisation/disposition of the remaining balance.

26. GRANTS

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
At start of year	3,245	3,373
Grant utilization	(59)	(129)
	3,186	3,244
SIDA / EADB fund for technical assistance	1,983	2,041
SWISS/ EADB fund for technical assistance	1,053	1,053
Housing Finance feasibility study grant	150	150
	3,186	3,244

a) The SIDA/EADB fund

The SIDA/ EADB fund for technical assistance was established following a grant from the Government of Sweden through SIDA. The funds were meant for EADB's institutional support and capacity building.

As at 31 December 2015 the bank had utilised part of the grant amounting to USD 59,000, (2014: USD 129,000) in regional capacity building by training selected East African lawyers through the extractive industries seminar.

The SWISS fund for technical assistance was established following a grant from the Swiss Government. The funds were to be utilised for EADB's institution building support, staff training, corporate strategy and restructuring study.

b) Housing Finance Feasibility study grant

The grant represents funds received from the Government of Tanzania to fund the Housing Finance feasibility study.

27. CAPITAL FUND

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
At start and end of year	7,479	7,479

This represents the balance of funds received from the Norwegian Government, in 1982 and 1987 for the Norwegian/ EADB fund on a grant basis. In 2012, the Bank initiated the process of obtaining approval from the donors to close the fund and transfer the outstanding balance to the Bank's capital to be allotted amongst member states. As at 31 December 2012, the balance on the fund was transferred to funds awaiting allotment pending receipt of a no objection from the Norwegian Government regarding the treatment proposed by management. During 2013, the Bank received a response from the donor requesting that the capitalisation of the fund be put on hold until the Norwegian Government completes its consultations, the funds were subsequently transferred to capital funds in 2013.



28. SHARE CAPITAL

	Paid up share capital Number	Callable share capital Number	Total Number	Paid up share capital USD '000s	Callable share capital USD '000s	Total USD' 000s
AUTHORISED SHARE CAPITAL						
Class A						
At 1 January 2015	12,000	60,000	72,000	162,000	810,000	972,000
Additional authorised	12,000	60,000	72,000	162,000	810,000	972,000
Total Class A	24,000	120,000	144,000	324,000	1,620,000	1,944,000
Class B						
At 1 January 2015	8,000	1,037	9,037	108,000	14,000	122,000
Additional authorised	8,000	-	8,000	108,000	-	108,000
Total Class B	16,000	1,037	17,037	216,000	14,000	230,000
Total class A&B	40,000	121,037	282,074	540,000	1,634,000	2,174,000
Issued share capital						
Class A						
At 1 January 2015	11,041	55,205	66,246	149,054	745,268	894,322
Issue of shares	940	4,700	5,640	12,690	63,450	76,140
At 31 December 2015	11,981	59,905	71,886	161,744	808,718	970,462
Class B						
At 1 January 2015	1,781	1,037	2,818	24,044	14,000	38,044
Issue of shares	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2015	1,781	1,037	2,818	24,044	14,000	38,044
PAID IN CAPITAL						
	Class A Number	Class B Number	Total Number	Class A USD '000s	Class B USD '000s	Total USD '000s
At 1 January 2015	11,041	1,781	12,822	149,054	24,043	173,097
Issue of shares	940	-	940	12,690	-	12,690
At 31 December 2015	11,981	1,781	13,762	161,744	24,043	185,787

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Authorised share capital

In 2015 the authorized capital stock was increased from USD 1,080,000,000 to USD 2,160,000,000 consisting of 80,000 additional shares being 100% increase in capital stock of the bank with a par value of USD 13,500 each. This was to enable admission of new members into the bank.

Class A

The authorised number of Class A ordinary shares is 144,000, (2014: 72,000) at a par value of USD 13,500 each. Class A ordinary shares are available for subscription to only member states and in equal proportion.

Class B

The authorised number of Class B ordinary shares is 16,000, (2014: 8,000) at a par value of USD 13,500 each. Class B ordinary shares are available for subscription to members other than member states. All issued Class B shares are fully paid up.

Share premium

Share premium arose on the shares issued to the Republic of Rwanda on admission at a value of USD 17,913 per share. The total number of shares issued and paid for by the Republic of Rwanda on the admission programme is 750 (2014: 699).

Callable capital

The capital stock of paid-in and callable Class A shares shall be available for subscription by member states in such proportion that, for every six shares subscribed, one share shall be fully paid-in with the remaining being callable. The EADB charter provides that the Bank may make calls on its callable share capital in the event that it is unable to repay borrowings and any other eligible payments due out of pre-existing resources.

In March 2012 the charter of EADB was amended to allow class B shareholders to subscribe to callable capital of the bank. In 2013, the governing council passed a special waiver on article 4(2)b of the treaty which sets out that for every four shares subscribed every one share is fully paid in and allotted class B callable shares to African Development Bank amounting to 1,037 in number

Dividends

Payment of dividends is made to subscribers of Class B shareholders in proportion to the number of shares held by such members. Dividends to Class A shares holders are paid in proportion to the number of shares paid in by each member but only after Class B dividend is paid.

29. FUNDS AWAITING ALLOTMENT

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
At start of year	102	2,081
Cash received	12,918	19,511
Shares issued in the year	(12,915)	(21,490)
At end of year	105	102

30. SPECIAL RESERVES

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
At start of year	11,030	10,624
Transfer of commission and guarantee fees from retained earnings	753	406
At end of year	11,783	11,030



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The transfer to the special reserve is made in accordance with Article 17 of the Bank's Charter, the reserve being credited with commissions earned. The special reserve is to enable the Bank meet its liabilities on borrowings or guarantees chargeable. The reserve is not available for distribution

31. FAIR VALUE RESERVES

The fair value reserve includes the cumulative net change in the fair value of derivative financial instruments and equity investments measured at fair value through the profit and loss account.

The reserve represents an appropriation of unrealised fair value differences which are shown separately from retained earnings until realised.

The movement in fair value reserve is shown below

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
At start of year	566	475
Fair value gain on derivative financial instruments	52	11
Fair value (loss)/gain on equity investments at fair value	(122)	80
At end of year	496	566

32. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
Cash and bank balances (Note 13)	4,922	10,306
Balances due from banks within 3 months	165,245	79,701
	170,167	90,007

33. REVALUATION RESERVES

The revaluation surplus arose from the revaluation of land and buildings as at 31 December 2014 and is non distributable.

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
At start of year	8,052	8,052
Transfer of excess depreciation to retained earnings	(50)	-
At end of year	8,002	8,052

34. USE OF ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

The Bank makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The Bank regularly reviews its assets and makes judgments in determining whether an impairment loss should be recognized in respect of observable data that may impact on future estimated cash flows. The methodology and assumptions used for estimating both the amount and timing of future cash flows are reviewed regularly to reduce any differences between loss estimates and actual loss experience.

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Impairment losses on loans and advances

The specific counterparty component of the total allowances for impairment applies to claims evaluated individually for impairment and is based upon management's best estimate of the present value of the cash flows that are expected to be received. In estimating these cash flows, management makes judgments about counterparty's financial situation. Each impaired asset is assessed on its merits, and the workout unit estimates of cash flows considered recoverable are independently reviewed by the Management Committee.

Collectively assessed impairment allowances cover credit losses inherent in portfolios of claims with similar economic characteristics when there is objective evidence to suggest that they contain impaired claims, but the individual impaired items cannot yet be identified. In assessing the need for collective loan loss allowances, management considers factors such as credit quality, portfolio size, concentrations, and economic factors. In order to estimate the required allowance, assumptions are made to define the way inherent losses are modelled and to determine the required input parameters, based on historical experience and current economic conditions. The accuracy of the allowances depends on how well the estimated future cash flows for specific counterparty allowances and the model assumptions and parameters used in determining collective allowances.

Determining fair values

The determination of fair value for financial assets and liabilities for which there is no observable market price requires the use of valuation techniques. For financial instruments that trade infrequently and have little price transparency, fair value is less objective, and requires varying degrees of judgment depending on liquidity, concentration, uncertainty of market factors, pricing assumptions and other risks affecting the specific instrument.

General provision sensitivity analysis

Percentage provision	1% USD '000s	1.50% USD '000s	2% USD '000s
Loans and advances	17	25	33
Finance lease receivables	1,589	2,384	3,179
	1,606	2,409	3,212

The unidentified impairment rate for 2015 was 1.5%, if the rate was reduced to 1% the impact on the balance sheet would have been USD 1.6 million and if increased to 2% the impact would have been USD 3.2 million.

35. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

(a) Introduction and overview

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

- Credit risk;
- Liquidity risk; and
- Market risk

This note presents information about the Bank's exposure to each of the above risks, the Bank's objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing risk and the Bank's management of capital.

Risk management framework

The Bank's board of directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Bank's risk management framework. The board has established the Asset and Liability Committee (ALCO), Project Committee and the Risk Management Unit which are responsible for developing and monitoring the risk management policies in their specified areas. The Board Audit Committee reports regularly to the Board of Directors on their activities.



The board of directors reports to the Governing council.

The Bank's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Bank, 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 Bank through its procedures aims to develop a disciplined and constructive control environment in which all employees understand their roles and obligations.

The Bank's Audit and Governance Committee is responsible for monitoring compliance with the Bank's risk management policies and procedures, and for reviewing the adequacy of the risk management framework in relation to the risks faced by the Bank. The Audit Committee is assisted in these functions by Internal Audit. Internal Audit undertakes both regular and adhoc reviews of risk management controls and procedures, the results of which are reported to the Audit Committee.

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Bank if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations, and arises principally from the Bank's loans and advances to customers, other Banks and investment securities. For risk management reporting purposes, the Bank considers all elements of credit risk exposure such as individual obligator default risk and sector risk.

In the normal course of its business, the Bank incurs credit risk from counterparties, loans and advances to customers. The credit risk exposure is, however, managed through constant monitoring of the status of financial institutions where deposits are maintained. As a policy, the Bank places its deposits with strong local Banks and internationally rated financial institutions. Credit risk is also minimized by the Bank's policy of diversification.

Management of credit risk

The board of directors has partly delegated responsibility for the management of credit risk to its project committee for credit exposures below USD 1 million. The Board is involved directly for loan exposure above USD 1 million and any equity investments above USD 700,000. The management committee is responsible for oversight of the Bank's credit risk, including, formulating credit policies, covering collateral requirements and credit assessments, risk grading and reporting. Documentary, legal procedures and compliance with regulatory and statutory requirements undertaken in consultation with the Bank's legal Department, establishing the authorization structure for the approval and renewal of credit facilities with concurrence of the board of directors, reviewing and assessing credit risk. The Bank assesses all credit exposures, prior to facilities being committed to customers. Renewals and reviews of facilities are subject to the same review process, limiting concentrations of exposure to counterparties, products and industries (for loans and advances). New loan project requests are subject to Bank's risk grading in order to ensure that only viable projects are taken into the books.

The Bank also has a Portfolio Manager who is responsible for monitoring the credit quality of loans and ensuring appropriate corrective action is taken. The credit administration also provides advice, guidance and specialist skills to Operations Department to promote best practice in the management of credit risk.

The Portfolio Manager prepares regular reports for Management and the Board's consideration on the performance of the loan portfolio.

The Operations Department is required to implement the Bank's credit policies and procedures, and ensure that credit approval authorities delegated from the Bank's Project Committee are observed. The Operations Department is responsible for the quality and performance of its credit portfolio and for monitoring and controlling all credit risks in its portfolio, including those subject to Board approval.

The Regular audits of the Operations Department and the Bank's credit processes are undertaken by Internal Audit.

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	Loans and advances to projects		Other loans and advances	
	2015 USD '000	2014 USD '000s	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
INDIVIDUALLY ASSESSED				
Gross amount	2,675	6,236	-	-
Allowance for impairment	(683)	(4,455)	-	-
Carrying amount	1,992	1,781	-	-
COLLECTIVELY ASSESSED				
Gross amount	161,091	104,237	1,800	2,027
Allowance for impairment	(2,409)	(1,563)	-	-
Carrying amount	158,682	102,674	1,800	2,027
Total carrying amount	160,674	104,455	1,800	2,027
Past due but not impaired comprises:				
Watch (31 to 90 days)	13,586	1,398	-	-
Substandard (91 to 180) days	-	-	-	-
Doubtful (181 to 360) days	-	-	-	-
NEITHER PAST DUE NOR IMPAIRED				
Normal	147,505	102,840	1,800	2,027
Allowance for impairment – collectively assessed	(2,409)	(1,564)	-	-
Total carrying amount	158,682	102,674	1,800	2,027

Impaired loans and advances

Impaired loans and advances are those for which the Bank determines that it is probable that it will be unable to collect all principal and interest due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement(s). These loans are internally classified as substandard, doubtful or loss accounts.

Past due but not impaired loans and advances

Loans where contractual interest or principal payments are past due but the Bank believes that impairment is not appropriate on the basis of the level of security/collateral available and/or the stage of collection of amounts owed to the Bank. These loans are internally classified as watch, when the account is 31 to 90 days in arrears, substandard if the account is between 91 and 180 days in arrears, doubtful for loans between 181 and 360 days in arrears and loss for loans over 361 days in arrears.

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**Loans with renegotiated terms**

Loans with renegotiated terms are loans that have been restructured due to deterioration in the borrower's financial position and where the Bank has made concessions that it would not otherwise consider. Once the loan is restructured, it remains in this category for monitoring purposes independent of satisfactory performance after restructuring, for at least two scheduled payments as a way of demonstrating positive performance.

Allowances for impairment

The Bank establishes an allowance for impairment losses that represents its estimate of incurred losses in its loan portfolio taking to account prudential guidelines of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The main components of this allowance are a specific loss component that relates to individually significant exposures and a collective loan loss allowance established for groups of homogeneous assets in respect of losses that have been incurred on a collective basis.

Distribution of loans and accrued interest receivable by sector

	2015 Per cent	2014 Per cent
Agriculture and fisheries	1	2
Forestry and paper	1	3
Agro-marine food and processing	5	17
Construction, building materials and real estate	11	13
Hotel, tourism, leisure and entertainment	15	8
Transport and storage	1	2
Financial Institutions	29	29
Electricity and water	27	23
Oil and gas	0	-
Education, health and other community services	10	3
	100	100

Write off policy

The Bank writes off a loan balance and any related allowances for impairment losses when the Bank's Project committee determines that the loans are uncollectible. This determination is reached after considering information such as the occurrence of significant changes in the borrower's financial position such that the borrower can no longer pay the obligation, or that the proceeds from collateral will not be sufficient to pay back the entire exposure. All loan write offs are approved by the board of directors.

The Bank holds collateral against loans and advances to customers in the form of mortgages over property. Estimates of fair value are based on the value of the collateral assessed at the time of borrowing, and generally are not updated except when a loan is individually assessed as impaired. Collateral generally is not held over loans and advances to Banks.

An estimate of fair value of collateral and other security enhancements held against financial assets is shown below:

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Legal mortgage

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
Legal mortgage over individually impaired assets	3,726	155,226
Legal mortgage over assets written off	47,671	28,212
Legal mortgage held over other loans and advances to customers	365,151	191,278
	416,548	374,716

Maximum exposure to credit risk before collateral held

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
Credit exposures relating to off-statement of financial position		
Letters of credit	295	-
Loan commitments	5,311	6,229
	5,606	6,229

The above table represents the worst case scenario of credit risk exposure to the Bank as at 31 December 2015 and 2014, without taking account of any collateral held or other credit enhancements attached. For on-statement of financial position assets, their respective carrying amounts represent the bank's maximum exposure to credit risk.

Management is confident in its ability to continue to control and sustain minimal exposure of credit risk to the Bank resulting from both its loan and advances portfolio:

- The Bank exercises stringent controls over the granting of new loans;
- 99% (2014: 98%) of the loans and advances portfolio are neither past due nor impaired;
- All loans and advances are backed by collaterals except loans to banks.

Settlement risk

The Bank's activities may give rise to risk at the time of settlement of transactions and trades. Settlement risk is the risk of loss due to the failure of the counterparty to honour its obligations to deliver cash, securities or other assets as contractually agreed. Settlement limits form part of the credit approval/limit monitoring process described earlier.

(c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Bank will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations on its financial liabilities. It includes both the risk of being unable to fund assets at appropriate maturities and rates and the risk of being unable to liquidate an asset at a reasonable price and in an appropriate time frame.

The Bank has access to a diverse funding base. Funds are raised mainly from borrowings and share capital. This enhances funding flexibility, limits dependence on one source of funds and generally lowers the cost of funds. The Bank strives to maintain a balance between continuity of funding and flexibility through the use of liabilities with a range of maturities. The Bank continually assesses liquidity risk by identifying and monitoring changes in funding required in meeting business goals and targets set in terms of the overall Bank strategy. In addition, the Bank has an Asset and Liability Committee that meet on a regular basis to monitor liquidity risk, review and approve liquidity policies and procedures.



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Exposure to Liquidity risk

The Bank maintains a minimum of 1.33 times coverage of designated liabilities for the next twelve months in liquid assets. Designated liabilities consist of liabilities and budgeted commitments that are due in twelve months.

The liquidity policy ratio as at the end of the year is as follows

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
Cash and cash equivalents as per liquidity policy	97,722	85,199
Designated liabilities	(58,624)	(59,624)
Surplus per liquidity policy	39,098	25,575
Liquidity ratio	1.67	1.91
DESIGNATED LIABILITIES		
Repayment of term loans	37,727	30,431
Interest on borrowings	6,917	2,902
Acquisition of fixed assets	5,922	3,484
Staff and administration expenses	8,058	7,901
	58,624	44,718

Cash and cash equivalents as per liquidity policy is arrived at after deducting loan disbursement commitments of USD 77 million (2014: USD 60 million).

The liquidity policy of the bank defines cash and cash equivalents as its operational and strategic liquidity pool which comprises cash and bank deposits with maturity periods not exceeding 3 months.

The Bank registered a liquidity ratio of 1.67 (2014: 1.91) which exceeds the required liquidity ratio as per the policy of 1.33 x.

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The table below analyses assets and liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at 31 December 2015 to the contractual maturity date.

ASSETS	Matured USD '000s	<6 months USD '000s	<6 months > 1 year USD '000s	<1 years <3 years USD '000s	<3 years > 5 years USD '000s	<5 years <7 years USD '000s	<7 years USD '000s	Total USD '000s
Cash at bank	4,922							4,922
Deposits due from commercial banks	-	176,107	-	1,384	-	-	-	177,491
Investment securities held to maturity	-	99	94	252	-	-	-	445
Loans and lease receivables	-	15,782	27,265	71,059	50,973	28,323	12,407	205,809
Equity investments	-	-	-	-	645	-	-	645
Derivative financial instruments-Inflow	-	1,536	-	-	-	-	-	1,536
Other assets receivable	1,122	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,122
Total assets	6,044	193,524	27,359	72,695	51,618	28,323	12,407	391,970
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER FUNDS								
Derivative financial instruments-outflow	-	1,581	-	-	-	-	-	1,581
Other accounts payable	1,898	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,898
Medium and long term loans	-	5,189	39,455	33,134	26,939	18,323	28,070	151,109
Total liabilities and shareholder funds	1,898	6,770	39,455	33,134	26,939	18,323	28,070	154,588
Net liquidity gap at 31 December 2015	4,146	186,754	(12,096)	39,561	24,679	10,000	(15,663)	237,382
Net liquidity gap at 31 December 2014	8,446	140,884	10,776	31,421	22,233	8,158	(3,018)	218,900


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The table below analyses assets and liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at 31 December 2015 to the contractual maturity date.

Derivative assets

The table below analyses the Bank's derivative financial instruments that are settled on a gross basis into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the reporting date to the contractual maturity date. Contractual maturities are assessed to be essential for an understanding of the timing of the cash flows on all derivatives. Cash flows for those derivatives could occur earlier than the contractual maturity. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	<6 months USD '000s	Total USD '000s
Outflow	1,581	1,581
Inflow	1,536	1,536

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Off balance sheet items

The Bank's off balance sheet items comprise of loans commitments, letters of credit and capital commitments. The dates of the contractual amounts of the Bank's off-balance sheet financial instruments that it commits to extend credit to customers, letters of credit and capital commitments are summarised in the table below.

	< 6 months USD '000s	> 6 months > 1 year USD '000s	< 1 year > 3 years USD '000s	< 3 years < 5 years USD '000s	> 5 years < 7 years USD '000s	> 7 years USD '000s	Total USD '000s
Loan commitments	407	2,525	2,210	169	-	-	5,311
Capital commitments	-	-	10,361	-	-	-	10,361
Total	407	2,525	12,571	169	-	-	15,672

(d) Interest rate risk

In broad terms the interest rate risk is the sensitivity of the Bank's financial performance to changes in the interest rates. The Bank's operations are subject to the risk of interest rate fluctuations to the extent that interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities mature or reprice at different times or in differing amounts. Risk management activities are aimed at optimizing net interest income, given market interest rates levels consistent with the Bank's business strategies. In order to minimize interest risk, the Bank has a policy where the approved lending commitments are matched to specific lines of credit or source of funds, including adopting the funding interest rate characteristics (fixed or variable) to its on lending activities.

As at 31 December 2015, if interest rates on interest bearing assets and liabilities had been 10% higher/lower with all other variables held constant, impact on comprehensive income would be USD 1.3 million (2014: 0.8 million).

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The table below summarizes the exposure to interest rate risks. Included in the table are the Bank's assets and liabilities at carrying amounts, categorized by the earlier of contractual re-pricing or maturity dates. The Bank does not bear an interest rate risk on off balance sheet items.

	Up to 1 Month	1 to 3 Months	3 to 6 Months	6 to 12 Months	1 to 5 Years	Over 5 Years	Non-interest bearing	Total
	USD '000s	USD '000s	USD '000s	USD '000s	USD '000s	USD '000s	USD '000s	USD '000s
ASSETS								
Cash and bank balances	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,922	4,922
Deposits due from banks	66,358	101,998	6,342	-	1,384	-	1,409	177,491
Investment security	-	-	-	-	371	-	7	378
Loans and advances	6,098	100,872	9,313	26,482	7,055	10,528	1,637	161,985
Equity investments at fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-	483	483
Derivative financial instruments	-	1,536	-	-	-	-	-	1,536
Other Assets receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,122	1,122
Total assets	72,456	204,406	15,655	26,482	8,810	10,528	9,580	347,917
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS								
Other accounts payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,898	1,898
Medium and long term loans	-	61,335	1,928	30,361	2,845	27,872	801	125,141
Derivative financial instruments	-	1,581	-	-	-	-	-	1,581
Total liabilities and shareholder funds	-	62,916	1,928	30,361	2,845	27,872	2,699	128,620
Interest sensitivity gap at end 2015	72,456	141,490	13,727	(3,879)	5,965	(17,344)	6,881	219,297
Interest sensitivity gap at end 2014	47,693	88,485	50,501	7,979	5,492	(5,511)	11,921	206,559



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(e) Currency risk

The Bank does not actively engage in dealing and trading operations in currencies and so the Bank's exposure to currency risk mainly involves the risk of foreign exchange losses or gains arising on the retranslation of monetary assets, liabilities and off balance sheet items denominated in foreign currency. To minimize currency risk in a multi-currency environment, the Bank matches its funding in one currency with assets in the same currency.

ASSETS	UGX USD '000s	KES USD '000s	TZS USD '000s	RWF USD '000s	EUR USD '000s	GBP USD '000s	SEK USD '000s	Total USD '000s
Cash and bank balances	440	1,272	22	9	257	11	1	2,012
Deposits due from banks	4,678	23,691	5,783	702	-	-	-	34,854
Investment security held to maturity	373	-	-	-	-	-	-	373
Loans and advances at amortized costs	10,415	14,693	2,387	-	5,602	-	-	33,097
Equity investments - Available for sale	-	100	383	-	-	-	-	483
Other assets receivable	1	2	41	-	1	-	-	45
Total Assets	15,907	39,758	8,616	711	5,860	11	1	70,864
Shareholders' Funds And Liabilities								
Other accounts payable	27	9	16	-	-	-	-	53
Medium and long term borrowings	13,993	36,804	5,444	704	5,503	-	-	62,447
Total Shareholders' Equity & Liabilities	14,020	36,813	5,460	704	5,503	-	-	62,500
Net Currency Position 31 December 2015	1,887	2,945	3,156	7	357	11	1	8,364
Net Currency Position 31 December 2014	1,386	2,834	4,475	9	287	12	1	9,005

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**Sensitivity analysis**

The 10% movement of USD against other currencies at 31 December 2015 would have increased or decreased comprehensive income by USD 0.78 million (2014: USD 0.82 million). This is assuming that all other variables, in particular interest rates remain constant.

(f) Fair value of financial assets and liabilities

The carrying amount of financial assets and liabilities approximate to their fair value.

(g) Fair value of financial instruments

IFRS 7 specifies a hierarchy of valuation techniques based on whether the inputs to those valuation techniques are observable or unobservable. Observable inputs reflect market data obtained from independent sources; unobservable inputs reflect the Bank's market assumptions. These two types of inputs have created the following fair value hierarchy:

- Level 1 – Fair value is determined using unadjusted quoted prices in an active market for identical assets and liabilities. Types of financial assets include: actively traded government and other agency securities, listed derivative instruments and listed equities. Types of financial liabilities include listed derivative instruments.
- Level 2 – Fair value is determined using valuation models with directly or indirectly market observable inputs. Types of financial assets include: corporate and other government bonds and loans, and over-the-counter (OTC) derivatives. Types of financial liabilities include over-the-counter (OTC) derivatives.
- Level 3 – Fair value is determined using Valuation models using significant non- market observable inputs. Types of financial assets include: highly structured OTC derivatives with unobservable parameters and corporate bonds in illiquid markets. Types of financial liabilities include highly structured OTC derivatives with unobservable parameters.

This hierarchy requires the use of observable market data when available. The Bank considers relevant and observable market prices in its valuations where possible.

See note 22 for disclosures of the land and buildings that are measured at fair value.

	Level 2	Level 3	Total
At 31 December 2015:			
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss			
Derivative financial instruments	(32)	-	(32)
Equity investments at fair value	-	483	483
Total assets	(32)	483	451
At 31 December 2014:			
Derivative financial instruments	108	-	108
Equity investments at fair value	-	713	713
Total assets	108	713	821

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Reconciliation of level 3 items

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	Equity investments USD '000s
At 1 January 2015	713
Investments exited	-
Fair value gain	(230)
At 31 December 2015	483
At 1 January 2014	711
Investments exited	-
Fair value gain	2
At 31 December 2014	713

The movement in fair value of equity investments has been analysed in Note 18.

(h) Capital management

The Bank's objectives when managing capital, which is a broader concept than the 'equity' on the face of the statement of financial position, are:

- To comply with the capital requirements set under the Bank's Charter
- To safeguard the Bank's ability to continue as a going concern so that it can continue to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders; and
- To maintain a strong capital base to support the development of its business.

The Bank's capital requirements are strictly observed under Article 11 of the Bank's Charter which requires that the bank's outstanding loans, equity investments and guarantees do not at any one time exceed three times the bank's unimpaired subscribed capital plus reserves and surplus relating to its ordinary capital resources but excluding the special reserve. The Bank was well within this limit as of

31 December 2015 computed on paid in capital alone, as shown in the table below:

	2015	2014
Capital ratio	0.73	0.53

36. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT BENEFIT PLANS AND GRATUITY

	Notes	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
Contribution to the retirement benefit plan	(i)	288	269
Contribution to the statutory pension scheme (NSSF)	(ii)	4	4
Gratuity	(iii)	59	73
		351	346



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- (i). The Bank operates a defined contribution retirement benefit scheme to which employees contribute 10% of their basic salary and the Bank contributes 10%, 12.5% or 15% of the employees' basic salary depending on his/her length of service. A Board of Trustees manages the scheme with the support of various service providers.
- (ii). The Bank also makes contributions to a statutory pension scheme, the National Social Security Fund for its casual staff. The contributions and obligations under the scheme are limited to specific contributions legislated from time to time and the Bank's contribution is currently 10% of the employees' gross salary and Kenya Shillings 200 for Kenyan employees resident in Kenya.
- (iii). Gratuity is paid to the Director General at 20% of annual gross salary at the end of the year.

Other staff benefits

The Bank ensures proper welfare of its staff by providing welfare schemes such as car loan purchase scheme, housing and medical schemes. The Bank also pays for professional membership and subscription fees for staff that belong to professional bodies. In addition, employees are eligible for loans subject to prevailing policies and the Bank operates a medical insurance scheme for all its employees.

37. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
Authorized but not contracted for	4,662	2,924
Authorized and contracted for	5,699	4,531
	10,361	7,455

38. OFF BALANCE SHEET ITEMS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Bank conducts business involving guarantees, performance bonds and indemnities. The following are the commitments and contingencies outstanding as at year-end.

Notes		2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
Letters of credit	a)	295	-
Un-disbursed commitments	b)	5,311	6,229
		5,606	6,229

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Nature of contingent liabilities

- a) Letters of credit commit the Bank to make payments to suppliers of equipment to approved projects, on presentation of shipping documents.
- b) Commitments to lend are agreements to lend to a customer in future subject to certain conditions. Such commitments are normally made for a fixed period.

The Bank is a litigant in several cases which arise from normal day to day banking activities. The directors and management believe the bank has strong grounds for success and are confident that they should get rulings in their favor in matters before court. In cases where the Bank may not be successful, directors and management are confident that such cases would not significantly impact the bank's operations either individually or in aggregate. Management has also carried out an assessment of all the cases outstanding as at 31 December 2015 and did not find any that warranted a provision. This position is supported by independent professional legal advice.

39. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Bank is jointly controlled by four East African Community member states of Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda and Rwanda who collectively own 87% of the ordinary shares. The remaining 13% of the shares are widely held.

A number of banking transactions are entered into with related parties in the normal course of business. These include loans, deposits with banks, borrowings and capital contributions by the member states. The volumes of related-party transactions and outstanding balances at year-end, for the year are as follows:

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD 000s
Staff loans and advances (Note 16)	26	26
Loans and advances to Directors	36	-
Loan to government of United Republic of Tanzania	12,679	5,869
Deposits held with banks that are shareholders of the Bank and related entities	29,457	85,657
Interest income earned on all of the above	1,823	3,625
Borrowings payable by the Bank to shareholders	69,776	25,555
Interest expense as paid to shareholders	2,005	1,307

No provision has been made for any loans to related parties. Loans to employees are given at concessionary rates.



Key management compensation

	2015 USD '000s	2014 USD '000s
Salaries and other employee benefits	374	382
Other short-term employee benefits - Gratuity	59	73
	433	455

Directors' remuneration		
Fees and allowances	70	62
Salaries and other short-term employee benefits (included within key management compensation above)	433	455
Other expenses	92	68
	595	585

