

Audited Financial Statements

MANULIFE (MACAU) PENSION FUND SCHEME – STABLE
GROWTH FUND (MACAU)

For the year ended 31 December 2023

MANULIFE (MACAU) PENSION FUND SCHEME – STABLE GROWTH FUND
(MACAU)

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Management Company of Manulife (Macau) Pension Fund Scheme – Stable Growth Fund (Macau)

We have audited the financial statements of Manulife (Macau) Pension Fund Scheme – Stable Growth Fund (Macau) (the "Fund") set out on pages 3 to 25, which comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as at 31 December 2023, and the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits attributable to members and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management company's responsibilities for the financial statements

The management company's of the Fund is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Financial Reporting Standards promulgated by the Macao Special Administrative Region under the Order of the Secretary for Economy and Finance No. 44/2020 ("Macao Financial Reporting Standards") and in compliance with the Legal Framework of Private Pension Funds under Decree-Law no. 6/99/M on February 8 as amended by Law no. 10/2001 ("Legal Framework of Private Pension Funds"), and for such internal control as the management company of the Fund determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. Our report is made solely to you, as a body, in accordance with our agreed terms of engagement, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Professional Committee of Accountants. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view 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 management company of the Fund, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)
To the Management Company of Manulife (Macau) Pension Fund Scheme – Stable Growth Fund (Macau)

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 December 2023, and of its financial transactions and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Macao Financial Reporting Standards and in compliance with the Legal Framework of Private Pension Funds.

Report on the requirements in accordance with Note No. 011/2021-AMCM

In our opinion:

- (a) proper records of the Fund have been maintained to reflect the Fund's activities;
- (b) all necessary information and explanations as and when requested, and where appropriate, have been satisfactorily obtained.



CHAN Wai CPA
Ernst & Young
Certified Public Accountants

Macao
24 June 2024

MANULIFE (MACAU) PENSION FUND SCHEME – STABLE GRWOTH FUND (MACAU)

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

As at 31 December 2023

	Notes	2023 MOP	2023 HKD	2022 MOP	2022 HKD
ASSETS					
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	3,4	4,802,934	4,663,043	4,058,257	3,940,055
Contribution receivable		134	130	2,635	2,558
Cash and cash equivalents	5	136,350	132,379	286,627	278,279
TOTAL ASSETS		4,939,418	4,795,552	4,347,519	4,220,892
LIABILITIES					
Management fee payable	6(a)	5,216	5,064	4,849	4,707
Investment payable		134	130	1,317	1,279
TOTAL LIABILITIES					
EXCLUDING NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS		5,350	5,194	6,166	5,986
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS		4,934,068	4,790,358	4,341,353	4,214,906
TOTAL LIABILITIES		4,939,418	4,795,552	4,347,519	4,220,892
Unit in issue		452,481		419,263	
Unit price		10.905	10.587	10.355	10.053

For and on behalf of the management company
Manulife (International) Limited


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Patrick Graham

The accompanying notes are integral part of these financial statements.

MANULIFE (MACAU) PENSION FUND SCHEME - STABLE GROWTH FUND (MACAU)

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	2023 MOP	2023 HKD	2022 MOP	2022 HKD
EXPENSES					
Management fees	6(a)	(59,339)	(57,611)	(57,166)	(55,501)
Custody fees	6(b)	(610)	(592)	(690)	(670)
EXPENSES BEFORE INVESTMENT AND EXCHANGE DIFFERENCES		(59,949)	(58,203)	(57,856)	(56,171)
INVESTMENT AND EXCHANGE DIFFERENCES					
Net realised losses on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	3	(100,918)	(97,979)	(200,129)	(194,300)
Net change in unrealised gains/(losses) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	3	401,286	389,598	(784,927)	(762,065)
		300,368	291,619	(985,056)	(956,365)
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS FROM OPERATIONS		240,419	233,416	(1,042,912)	(1,012,536)

The accompanying notes are integral part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS

For the year ended 31 December 2023

	2023 MOP	2023 HKD	2022 MOP	2022 HKD
Net assets available for benefits attributable to members as at 1 January	4,341,353	4,214,906	6,453,173	6,265,217
Contributions received and receivable during the year	1,278,854	1,241,606	703,070	682,592
Benefits paid and payable during the year	(836,465)	(812,102)	(1,685,445)	(1,636,354)
Transfer in during the year	42,006	40,783	28,649	27,814
Transfer out during the year	(117,605)	(114,179)	(94,617)	(91,861)
Unvested benefits to associates	(14,494)	(14,072)	(20,565)	(19,966)
Change in net assets available for benefits from operations for the year	240,419	233,416	(1,042,912)	(1,012,536)
Net assets available for benefits attributable to members	4,934,068	4,790,358	4,341,353	4,214,906

The accompanying notes are integral part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	2023 MOP	2023 HKD	2022 MOP	2022 HKD
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Change in net assets available for benefits from operation		240,419	233,416	(1,042,912)	(1,012,536)
Adjusted for:					
Investment and exchange difference		(300,368)	(291,619)	985,056	956,365
Changes in other assets and liabilities:					
(Increase)/decrease in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		(343,391)	(333,389)	1,461,452	1,418,886
Increase/(decrease) in expenses payables		367	356	(1,286)	(1,249)
(Decrease)/increase in investment payable		(1,183)	(1,149)	1,317	1,279
Losses on disposal of investments		(100,918)	(97,979)	(200,129)	(194,300)
Net cash flows (used in)/generated from operating activities		(505,074)	(490,364)	1,203,498	1,168,445
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES					
Contributions received		1,281,355	1,244,034	701,145	680,723
Transfer in		42,006	40,783	28,649	27,814
Benefits paid		(836,465)	(812,102)	(1,722,699)	(1,672,523)
Unvested benefits to associates		(14,494)	(14,072)	(20,565)	(19,966)
Transfer out		(117,605)	(114,179)	(94,617)	(91,861)
Net cash flows generated from/(used in) financing activities		354,797	344,464	(1,108,087)	(1,075,813)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(150,277)	(145,900)	95,411	92,632
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		286,627	278,279	191,216	185,647
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR		136,350	132,379	286,627	278,279
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS					
Cash at bank	5	136,350	132,379	286,627	278,279

The accompanying notes are integral part of these financial statements.

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1. THE FUND

Manulife (Macau) Pension Fund Scheme – Stable Growth Fund (Macau) (the "Fund") is one of the six private pension funds of Manulife (International) Limited (the "Management Company") and authorised under the Macau Legal Framework for Private Pension Funds Decree-Law No.6/99/M of 8 February. The Management Company is a life insurance company incorporated in Bermuda and registered as a private pension fund management company with the Monetary Authority of Macao ("AMCM") in Macau.

The Management Company appointed Manulife Investment Management (Hong Kong) Limited (the "Investment Adviser") to assist in providing investment and related service to the Fund and the depository of the Fund is HSBC Institutional Trust Services (Asia) Limited.

2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements of the Fund have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standards promulgated by the Macao Special Administrative Region under the Order of the Secretary for Economy and Finance No. 44/2020 (herein referred as "MFRSs") and in compliance with the Legal Framework of Private Pension Funds under Decree-Law no. 6/99/M on February 8 as amended by Law no. 10/2001.

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for the financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss, as further explained below. These financial statements are presented in Macao patacas ("MOP") and Hong Kong dollars ("HKD"). All values are rounded to the nearest MOP and HKD except when otherwise indicated.

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2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Financial instruments

(i) Classification

In accordance with IFRS 9, the Fund classifies its financial assets and financial liabilities at initial recognition into the categories of financial assets and financial liabilities discussed below.

In applying that classification, a financial asset or financial liability is considered to be held for trading if:

- (a) It is acquired or incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing it in the near term; or
- (b) On initial recognition, 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; or
- (c) It is a derivative (except for a derivative that is a financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument).

Financial assets

The Fund classifies its financial assets as subsequently measured at amortised cost or measured at fair value through profit or loss on the basis of both:

- The entity's business model for managing the financial assets; and
- The contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset.

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2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

(i) Classification (continued)

Financial Assets (continued)

Financial assets measured at amortised cost

A debt instrument is measured at amortised cost if it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows and its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. The Fund includes in this category short-term non-financing receivables including contribution receivable, amount due from broker and cash and cash equivalents.

Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss

A financial asset is measured at fair value through profit or loss if:

- (a) Its contractual terms do not give rise to cash flows on specified dates that are solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI) on the principal amount outstanding; or
- (b) It is not held within a business model whose objective is either to collect contractual cash flows, or to both collect contractual cash flows and sell; or
- (c) At initial recognition, it is irrevocably designated as measured at fair value through profit or loss when doing so eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency that would otherwise arise from measuring assets or liabilities or recognising the gains and losses on them on different bases.

The Fund includes in this category:

- Instruments held for trading. This category includes funds which are acquired principally for the purpose of provide medium to long term capital growth.

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost

This category includes all financial liabilities, other than those measured at fair value through profit or loss. The Fund includes in this category benefits payable, management fee payable, investment payable and other payables.

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2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

(ii) Recognition

The Fund recognises a financial asset or a financial liability when it becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame generally established by regulation or convention in the marketplace (regular way trades) are recognised on the trade date, i.e., the date that the Fund commits to purchase or sell the asset.

(iii) Initial measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recorded in the statement of net assets available for benefits at fair value. All transaction costs for such instruments are recognised directly in profit or loss.

Financial assets and liabilities (other than those classified as at fair value through profit or loss) are measured initially at their fair value plus any directly attributable incremental costs of acquisition or issue.

(iv) Subsequent measurement

After initial measurement, the Fund measures financial instruments which are classified as at fair value through profit or loss at fair value. Subsequent changes in the fair value of those financial instruments are recorded in net change in unrealised gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss in profit or loss.

Financial liabilities, other than those classified as at fair value through profit or loss, are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised, as well as through the amortisation process.

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 revenue or interest expense over the relevant period.

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2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

(iv) Subsequent measurement (continued)

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 Fund estimates cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instruments, but does not consider future credit losses. The calculation includes all fees 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.

(v) Derecognition

A financial asset (or, where applicable a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is derecognised where (i) the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired; or (ii) the Fund has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a pass-through arrangement and either the Fund has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or the Fund has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the Fund has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset (or has entered into a pass-through arrangement), and has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the asset is recognised to the extent of the Fund's continuing involvement in the asset. In that case, the Fund also recognises an associated liability. The transferred asset and the associated liability are measured on a basis that reflects the rights and obligations that the Fund has retained.

The Fund derecognises a financial liability when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expired.

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2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Impairment of financial assets

For financial assets measured at amortised cost, impairment allowances are recognised under the general approach where expected credit loss ("ECL") are recognised in two stages. For credit exposures where there has not been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, the Fund is required to provide for credit losses that result from possible default events within the next 12 months. For those credit exposures where there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, a loss allowance is required for credit losses expected over the remaining life of the exposure irrespective of the timing of the default.

Simplified approach

For receivables, the Fund applies the simplified approach in calculating ECLs. Under the simplified approach, the Fund does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognises a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date. The Fund has established a provision matrix that is based on its historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment. The Fund chooses as its accounting policy to adopt the simplified approach in calculating ECLs with policies as described above.

Net assets available for benefits attributable to members

The members of the Fund through their employers are provided with the right to redeem their entitlement for cash (subject to forfeiture) equal to their proportionate share of the net asset value of the Fund. The existence of the option for the members through their employers to redeem their entitlement for cash (subject to forfeiture) requires the Fund to classify the entitlement as liabilities. Accordingly, the increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits attributable to members is shown in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits attributable to members. The subscriptions and redemptions by the members and the distributions to members are the increase or decrease of liabilities of the Fund.

The liabilities to members are presented in the statement of net assets available for benefits as "net assets available for benefits attributable to members" and are determined based on the residual assets of the Fund after deducting the Fund's other liabilities.

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2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Translation of Hong Kong dollars to Macao patacas

All assets and liabilities in the statement of net assets available for benefits as at 31 December 2023 are translated using exchange rate of 1 HKD = 1.03 MOP (2022: 1 HKD = 1.03 MOP). The gains and losses in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income are translated using average exchange rate of 1 HKD = 1.03 MOP (2022: 1 HKD = 1.03 MOP).

Revenue recognition

Realised gains and losses on securities are recognised on a trade date basis and are equal to the difference between the original cost, computed using weighted average cost method and sales proceeds.

Aggregate past service liability

Aggregate past service liability represents the aggregate of members' balances at the reporting date on the assumption that the Fund will continue.

Aggregate vested liability

Aggregate vested liability represents the aggregate of that portion of the members' balances at the year-end date, computed in accordance with the vesting rules of the Fund, that would be payable on the assumption that the Fund was terminated at that date.

Fair value measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either in the principal market for the asset or liability or, in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability. The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible to the Fund. The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

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2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Fair value measurement (continued)

The fair value for financial instruments traded in active markets at the reporting date is based on their quoted price or binding dealer price quotations (the last traded price), without any deduction for transaction costs.

For all other financial instruments not traded in an active market, the fair value is determined by using valuation techniques deemed to be appropriate in the circumstances.

Valuation techniques include the market approach (i.e., using recent arm's length market transactions adjusted) as necessary and reference to the current market value of another instrument that is substantially the same) and the income approach (i.e., discounted cash flow analysis and option pricing models making as much use of available and supportable market data as possible).

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1 - Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 - Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable
- Level 3 - Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Fund determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by reassessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

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2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Offsetting of financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and cash equivalents as defined above, including term deposits, which are not restricted as to use.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash comprises cash on hand and demand deposits. Cash equivalents are short term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to insignificant changes in value, and are held for the purpose of meeting short-term cash commitments rather than for investments or other purposes.

Contributions and benefit payments

Contributions and benefit payments are accounted for on an accrual basis.

Forfeitures

Any amount forfeited shall be applied from time to time by the employer in reducing the amount of future contributions.

Interest income

Interest income are recognised in profit or loss for all interest-bearing financial instruments using the effective interest method.

Net gain or loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

This item includes changes in the fair value of financial assets held for trading or designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss and excludes any interest and dividend income and expenses.

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2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Net gain or loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

Unrealised gains and losses comprise changes in the fair value of financial instruments for the period and from reversal of prior period's unrealised gains and losses for financial instruments which were realised in the reporting period. Realised gains and losses on disposals of financial instruments classified as at fair value through profit or loss are calculated using the weighted average cost method. They represent the difference between an instrument's initial carrying amount and disposal amount.

Related parties

A party is considered to be related to the Fund if:

- (a) the party is a person or a close member of that person's family and that person
 - (i) has control or joint control over the Fund;
 - (ii) has significant influence over the Fund; or
 - (iii) is a member of the key management personnel of the Fund or of a parent of the Fund;
- or
- (b) the party is an entity where any of the following conditions applies:
 - (i) the entity and the Fund are members of the same group;
 - (ii) one entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or of a parent, subsidiary or fellow subsidiary of the other entity);
 - (iii) the entity and the Fund are joint ventures of the same third party;
 - (iv) one entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third entity;
 - (v) the entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the Fund or an entity related to the Fund;
 - (vi) the entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a);
 - (vii) a person identified in (a)(i) has significant influence over the entity or is a member of the key management personnel of the entity (or of a parent of the entity); and
 - (viii) the entity, or any member of a group of which it is a part, provides key management personnel services to the Fund or to the parent of the Fund.

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3. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	2023	2023	2022	2022
	MOP	HKD	MOP	HKD
Cost of underlying investments	4,888,831	4,746,438	4,545,440	4,413,048
Unrealised losses	(85,897)	(83,395)	(487,183)	(472,993)
	<u>4,802,934</u>	<u>4,663,043</u>	<u>4,058,257</u>	<u>3,940,055</u>

	2023	2023	2022	2022
	MOP	HKD	MOP	HKD
Net losses on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
- Realised losses	<u>(100,918)</u>	<u>(97,979)</u>	<u>(200,129)</u>	<u>(194,300)</u>
- Decrease/(increase) in unrealised losses	<u>401,286</u>	<u>389,598</u>	<u>(784,927)</u>	<u>(762,065)</u>

Valuation techniques

The underlying investments of the Fund are valued at their net assets value ("NAV") are classified as Level 2. The NAVs are provided by the fund administrator.

4. FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY

Fair values

The fair values of financial assets are determined as follows:

- the fair values of financial assets with standard terms and conditions and traded on active liquid markets are determined with reference to quoted market prices on the year-end date. The Fund's financial instruments are valued using the bid prices.

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4. FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY (continued)

Fair values (continued)

- the fair values of the underlying investments of the Fund are based on their NAV quoted by the investment manager of the underlying investments of the Fund.
- the fair values of other financial assets are determined in accordance with generally accepted pricing models based on discounted cash flow analysis or using prices from observable current market transactions.

The Management Company of the Fund considers that the carrying amounts of the financial assets in the financial statements approximate their fair values.

The following tables illustrate the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Fund's financial instruments:

	Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets	Level 2 Significant observable inputs	Level 3 Significant unobservable inputs	Total fair value
31 December 2023				
Financial assets designated at fair value through profit or loss:				
Investment at fair value through profit or loss (MOP)	-	4,802,934	-	4,802,934
Investment in at fair value through profit or loss (HKD)	-	4,663,043	-	4,663,043
31 December 2022				
Financial assets designated at fair value through profit or loss:				
Investment at fair value through profit or loss (MOP)	-	4,058,257	-	4,058,257
Investment in at fair value through profit or loss (HKD)	-	3,940,055	-	3,940,055

There were no transfers between levels in the current year and prior year.

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5. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash at banks earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. The carrying amounts of the cash and cash equivalents approximate to their fair values.

6. FEES

(a) Management fee

Management fee of MOP 59,339 (equivalent to HKD 57,611) (2022: MOP 57,166 (equivalent to HKD 55,501)) was incurred during the year. As of 31 December 2023, management fee of MOP 5,216 (equivalent to HKD 5,064) (2022: MOP 4,849 (equivalent to HKD 4,707)) was payable to the Management Company.

(b) Custody fee

Custody fee of MOP 610 (equivalent to HKD 592) (2022: MOP 690 (equivalent to HKD 670)) was incurred during the year.

(c) Audit fee

The Management Company would bear the audit fee of the fund.

7. TAXATION

Private pension funds set up under Section 46 of Decree Law no. 6/99/M is exempt from taxes in Macau.

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8. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICIES

The objective of the Fund is to achieve medium to long-term capital growth. The Fund's investing activities expose it to various types of risk that are associated with the financial instruments and markets in which it invests. The risk exposures inherent in the Fund and the risk management policies employed by the Fund are discussed below:

Market risk

Market risk includes such factors as changes in economic environment, consumption pattern and investors' expectation, etc. which may have a significant impact on the value of the investments. Market movement may therefore result in substantial fluctuation in the NAV per redeemable unit of the Fund. The Fund's activities expose the Fund primarily to the market risk of changes in interest rates.

Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the fair values of equity securities decrease as a result of changes in the levels of equity indices and the value of individual securities. The Fund is exposed to price risk arising from underlying investments classified as trading equity investments at the end of the reporting period.

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity to a reasonably possible change in the fair values of the equity investments, with all other variables held constant and before any impact on tax, based on their carrying amounts at the end of the reporting period.

(In MOP '000)	Decrease in fair value	Carrying amount of equity investment	Increase/ (decrease) in profit before tax	Increase/ (decrease) in equity
2023	5%	1,489	(74)	(74)
2022	5%	1,172	(59)	(59)

(In HKD '000)	Decrease in fair value	Carrying amount of equity investment	Increase/ (decrease) in profit before tax	Increase/ (decrease) in equity
2023	5%	1,445	(72)	(72)
2022	5%	1,138	(57)	(57)

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Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Fund and its underlying investments are exposed to interest rate risk, which invest in interest-bearing securities and cash deposits.

Interest rates are determined by factors of supply and demand in the international money markets, which are influenced by macro-economic factors. Fluctuations in short term and/or long term interest rates may affect the value of the units.

At 31 December 2023 and 2022, it is estimated that an increase of the interest rate by 50 basis points ("bps"), with all other variables held constant, would have resulted in a decrease in net assets attributable to members by the amount shown below:

	2023 MOP'000	2023 HKD'000	2022 MOP'000	2022 HKD'000
Change in interest rate (+50 bps)	(84)	(82)	(70)	(68)

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Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is defined as the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. Exposure to liquidity risk arises because of the possibility that the Fund could be required to pay its liabilities earlier than expected.

The Fund provides members with the right to get their benefits for cash equal to their proportionate share of the NAV of the Fund under certain circumstances in accordance with the Macau Private Pension Funds Ordinance Decree-Law No.6/99/M and the offering memorandum of the Fund. The Fund is therefore potentially exposed to the request of benefit payments from the members. As such, the underlying investment of the Fund can be readily disposed of in order to meet the benefit payments as needed.

The table below summarises the maturity profile of the Fund's financial liabilities based on contractual undiscounted receipts and payments:

31 December 2023	Less than 3 months MOP	3 to 12 months MOP	More than 1 year MOP	Others MOP	Total MOP
Management fee payable	5,216	-	-	-	5,216
Net assets available for benefits attributable to members	4,934,068	-	-	-	4,934,068
Investment payable	134	-	-	-	134
	<u>4,939,418</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,939,418</u>

	Less than 3 months HKD	3 to 12 months HKD	More than 1 year HKD	Others HKD	Total HKD
Management fee payable	5,064	-	-	-	5,064
Net assets available for benefits attributable to members	4,790,358	-	-	-	4,790,358
Investment payable	130	-	-	-	130
	<u>4,795,552</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,795,552</u>

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Liquidity risk (continued)

31 December 2022	Less than 3 months MOP	3 to 12 months MOP	More than 1 year MOP	Others MOP	Total MOP
Management fee payable	4,849	-	-	-	4,849
Net assets available for benefits attributable to members	4,341,353	-	-	-	4,341,353
Investment payable	1,317	-	-	-	1,317
	<u>4,347,519</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,347,519</u>

	Less than 3 months HKD	3 to 12 months HKD	More than 1 year HKD	Others HKD	Total HKD
Management fee payable	4,707	-	-	-	4,707
Net assets available for benefits attributable to members	4,214,906	-	-	-	4,214,906
Investment payable	1,279	-	-	-	1,279
	<u>4,220,892</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,220,892</u>

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Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that the counterparty to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the Fund by failing to discharge an obligation. The Fund is exposed to the risk of credit-related losses that can occur as a result of a counterparty or issuer being unable or unwilling to honour its contractual obligations. These credit exposures exist within financing relationships, derivatives and other transactions. It is the Fund's policies to enter into financial instruments with reputable counterparties. The Management Company closely monitors the creditworthiness of the Fund's counterparties by reviewing their credit ratings, financial statements and press release on a regular basis.

The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, as disclosed in the statement of net assets available for benefits, represents the maximum credit exposure. The Management Company considers the exposure to credit risk on bank balances to be minimal as the cash are held at reputable bank.

Credit risk disclosures are segmented into two sections based on whether the underlying financial instrument is subject to IFRS 9's impairment disclosure or not.

Financial assets subject to IFRS 9's impairment requirements

The fund's financial assets subject to the ECL model within IFRS 9 are contribution receivable, management fee rebate receivable and cash and cash equivalents. At 31 December 2023 and 2022, no loss allowance had been provided. There is not considered to be any concentration of credit risk within these assets. No assets are considered impaired and no amounts have been written off in the period.

As only contribution receivable, management fee rebate receivable and cash and cash equivalents are impacted by the IFRS 9 ECL model, the Fund has adopted the simplified approach. The loss allowance shown, if any is therefore based on 12-month ECLs.

In calculating the loss allowance, a provision matrix has been used based on historical observed loss rates over the expected life of the receivables adjusted for forward-looking estimates.

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Capital management

The capital structure of the Fund consists of net assets available for benefits attributable to members. The Management Company manages the capital to ensure that the Fund will be able to continue as a going concern while maximising the return to stakeholders and maintaining a strong capital base to support the development of the investment activities of the Fund.

9. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Management Company on 24 June 2024.